



ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE

UNICEF Greece Country Office

International Conference on Children's Rights 06-07 June 2025

Patras, Greece

Dates

The International Conference on Children's Rights will take place on **Friday, 06 June to Saturday 07 June 2025** between 09:00 - 18:00 each day.

Scope

UNICEF Greece, in collaboration with the University of Patras, is co-organizing an International Conference on Children's Rights in Patras, Greece, on June 6 and 7. The conference aims to foster dynamic dialogues on the role of academia and promoting child rights and challenges, bringing together policymakers, education experts, practitioners, and representatives from the academic community. The goal is to facilitate the sharing of experiences, best practices, and examples of effective policies, programmes, practices, and research, with a focus on diverse international perspectives.

Venue

The meeting will take place in Patras at the Conference and Cultural Center of the University of Patras [Συνεδριακό & Πολιτιστικό Κέντρο Πανεπιστημίου Πατρών](#) at the **Auditorium I-4**.



Accommodation

Proposed hotels in the centre of Patras and in proximity to the Bus Station

- Byzantino Hotel [Ξενοδοχείο Βυζαντινό Πάτρα – Ξενοδοχείο 4 αστέρων στο κέντρο της Πάτρας](#)
- My Way Hotel [My Way Hotel & Events](#)
- The Bold and Type Hotel [Ξενοδοχείο 5 Αστέρων Πάτρα | the Bold Type Hotel](#)
- Moxy Patra Marina Hotel [Moxy Patra Marina - Pet-Friendly Hotel With Restaurant & Outdoor Pool](#)

Proposed hotels in the area of Rio close to the University of Patras

- Kallirroee Hotel [Contact Us - Ξενοδοχεία Πάτρα - Καλλιρρόη - Διαμονή στο Ρίο Αχαΐα | Hotels in Patras - Kallirroee - Accommodation in Rion Achaia Greece Ξενοδοχεία Πάτρα – Καλλιρρόη – Διαμονή στο Ρίο Αχαΐα | Hotels in Patras – Kallirroee – Accommodation in Rion Achaia Greece](#)
- Castello Hotel [Castello Hotel - Apartments, Rio, Patras, Greece](#)
- Achaia Beach Hotel [Achaia Beach Hotel in Patras | Airotel Group Hotels Greece](#)

Coffee breaks and Lunch

Coffee breaks and Lunch will be offered during the conference on Friday, 06 June and Saturday 07 June 2025.

Transport To/From AIRPORT

Reaching Patras

Two private busses booked by UNICEF Greece Country Office will be leaving from the Athens Airport on Thursday 05 June 2025. Times will be communicated in due time.

Alternatively you can get the bus X93 from Athens Airport to the Bus Station in Kifissos (KTEL). X93 departs from El. Venizelos Airport every 30-40 minutes and it takes about 60 minutes to reach the Bus Station in Kifissos and from there you get the bus for Patras.

The distance between the Athens International Airport and the Centre of Athens (Syntagma Square) is about 33 km and takes around 40 – 50 minutes by car.

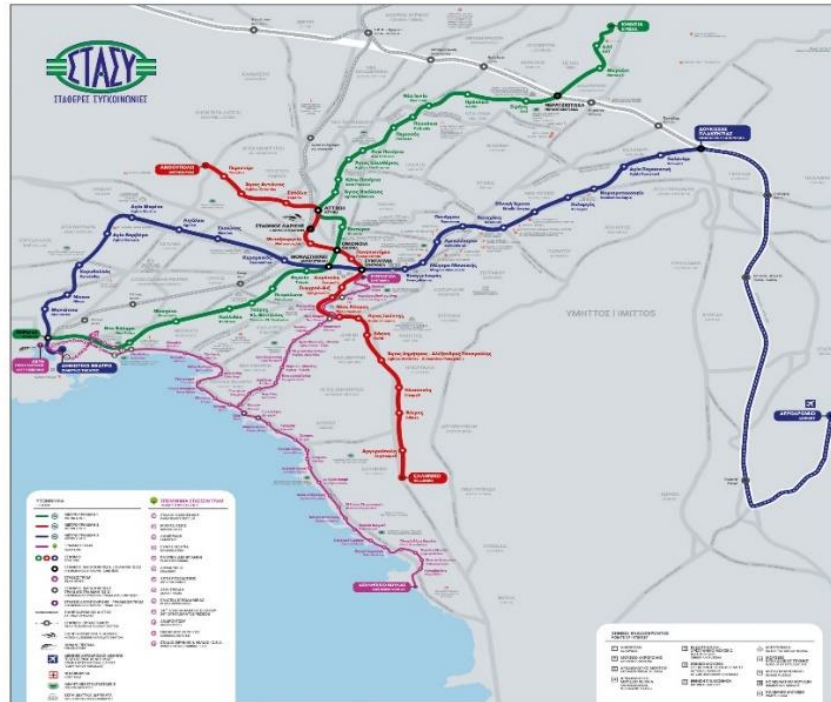
(Athens International Airport “Eleftherios Venizelos”) <https://www.aia.gr/traveler>



Metro

[Metro](#) is the easiest way to reach the Centre of Athens from El. Venizelos Athens International Airport. You will take the **Metro Line 3 (Blue Line)**. You will have to walk 16 min from Arrivals to the Metro Station (€ 10.00 ticket) per person.

One private bus booked by UNICEF Greece Country Office will be leaving from Syntagma Square in the Centre of Athens on Thursday 05 June 2025 with final destination Patras. Time will be communicated in due time.



Express Bus X95

Bus X95 to Syntagma (Athens City Center) departs from Athens Airport every 15-20 minutes. The travel duration is approximately 45 minutes, depending on the traffic. Tickets are available from the bus drivers, from the ticket kiosk at the bus departure area and from all the metro stations around Athens.

Taxi

The yellow taxis are available at the exit of the airport arrival terminal on your left. From Athens El. Venizelos Athens International Airport to the Centre of Athens takes 45 minutes. The cost would be approximately 40€ -50€.

The on-demand mobility service **Free now & Uber** is commonly used in Athens and is accessible by downloading the application on your mobile phones.

Visas Issues

The visa policy of the Schengen Area applies to Greece. Some participants will require a visa to enter the country, **if not holding a valid UNLP**.

Please refer to the [website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Greece](https://www.mfa.gr/en/visas/) for more details about the visa procedure for different passport holders. Please note that both regular passport or UNLP needs to be valid for at least 6 months upon departure from Greece. For any clarification, or in case an invitation letter is required, please contact Ms. Kleopatra Laina (email: klaina@unicef.org).

Weather

The average temperature in June can range from a low of 20°C to high 33°C. Please check weather services as the time of the event approaches.

[Patras, Western Greece, Greece Monthly Weather | AccuWeather](#)

Security in Patras

The security level in Patras is at level 2 (Low). Travelers should be aware of petty crime, which may include pick pocketing and street scams, and exercise caution while using public transport, as well as when using ATM machines or money exchange tellers.

Spare credit cards, travel documents and valuable items should be kept in a protected place. Handbags should not be placed over backs of chairs or under tables at restaurants and one should always be vigilant when moving about the streets at night.



Greece has not been an operational area for international extremism while relevant HG authorities have been successfully trying to mitigate domestic terrorism. There are no direct threats to the UN in Greece. Demonstrations are generally peaceful, but there have been incidents of random violence.

As per the Safety and Security Department, travelers are instructed to avoid crowd gatherings and areas where demonstrations are held. Participants are requested to obtain security clearance prior to commencing the trip.

Currency and Exchange rate

The official currency in Greece is Euro. Accepted credit cards are Visa, MasterCard, Diners Club and American Express.

Materials and Equipment

In support of the "Greening UNICEF" initiative photocopying arrangements will be limited.

Participants are encouraged to bring their own laptops. The electricity supply in Greece is 230 volts. Electrical appliances must have European plugs.

Emergency Numbers

Any Emergency:	112
Police	100
Fire Service	199
Ambulance Service	166
SOS Doctors	1016

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Other Information for Athens

Link for Acropolis: [Acropolis Tickets 2022 – Fast Track Entry & Guided Tours \(acropolis-tickets.com\)](https://www.acropolis-tickets.com/)

Link for Acropolis Museum: [Home | Acropolis Museum | Official website \(theacropolismuseum.gr\)](https://www.theacropolismuseum.gr/)

Link for [Visit Greece](https://www.visitgreece.gr/)