

International Submarine Cable Resilience Summit 2026
2-3 February 2026
“Alfândega do Porto”, Porto, Portugal



1. Meeting venue

Alfândega do Porto
Centro de Congressos

Rua Nova da Alfândega, Edifício da Alfândega
4050-429 Porto
Phone: + 351 223 403 000
Website: www.ccalfandegaporto.com



2. Hotel accommodation and reservation procedure

Hotel reservations should be made directly by the delegates.

For **hotel** accommodation, please consult the **annex attached** with the nearest hotel. For others hotel, you can consult:

[Visit Portugal](#)

[Booking](#)



3. Contact for logistics

Requests for general logistics information should be sent to:

Mrs Inês Botelho

E-mail: ines.botelho@anacom.pt



4. Entry into Portugal

General Information(<https://www.visitportugal.com/en/sobre-portugal/info-util>)

A visa is required for non-EU citizens wishing to visit Portugal. The requirements to apply for a visa usually are: two passport-size photographs, proof of round-trip airfare and a duly completed application form in duplicate. Visas are generally processed within two working days.

Delegates are advised to check with the Portuguese Embassy or Consulate in their own country to inquire about specific visa requirements.

Please mention the purpose of your trip because Meeting Attendance might have a different visa status in different countries.

Delegates are also urged to process their visa requests at the earliest date possible, preferably at the least three weeks before their scheduled travel date.

For more information on visa application please visit:

<https://vistos.mne.gov.pt/en/national-visas/general-information/where-should-you-lodge-a-visa-application>

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5. Vaccinations and medical insurance

There are no special vaccination requirements for entry into Portugal. However, it is highly recommended that delegates be covered by medical insurance and carry proof of such cover.



6. Arrival to the meeting venue

From [Porto Airport](#) to [Alfândega do Porto](#), delegates should allow an 20 - 35 minute trip (16,1 Km) by taxi which will cost around € 25,00-35,00 (weekends or after 10 pm will be more expensive).

You can also use the following public transports network ([Public transports](#)):

➤ Journey:

- Catch the [metro](#) “Line E”, Destination “Estádio do Dragão”. Exit at “Trindade”
Duration of trip: 24 minutes
Travel ticket: Z4
- At “Trindade” change to “Line D” – Destination “Santo Ovidio” and exit at “São Bento”
Duration of trip: 4 minutes
Travel ticket: Use same travel ticket as before
- Exit the metro station and at the STCP bus stop, catch the “500” bus – Destination “Matosinhos (Mercado)”- Exit at “Alfândega” bus stop.
 - Duration of trip: 4 minutes

➤ Travel ticket: (2024 prices) Use same travel ticket as before:

- “Andante”: this magnetic card cost €0,60 and you must buy to the trip that costs €2,25 (Z4), valid for 1 hour. That card can be purchased at vending machines or at the offices inside the metro or rail stations and they can be reusable and rechargeable. It is valid for one year. Always validate your “Andante” ticket when you start your travel, when you change to another line or vehicle.
- “Andante Tour 1”: valid for 24 hours for metro, bus and train, and it costs €7,50.
- “Andante Tour 3” valid for 72 hours for metro, bus and train, and it costs €16,00.
- [Bus ticket](#): you can use the “Andante” card or can buy on board, to the driver, a ticket that cost €2,50, valid just for that trip.



7. Telecommunications facilities and electrical appliances

For calls from all countries to a number in Portugal the dialling code is +351 + number.

For international calls from Portugal the code is 00 + the country code + number.

Electricity in Portugal is 220V/50Hz. Plugs are the normal 2-pin round continental type (for plugs with ground connection it is used the Type F standard – *Schuko* plug).



8. Currency/Exchange/Credit Cards/Banks

The currency unit in Portugal is the Euro (€).

Automatic cash dispensers are available twenty-four hours a day.

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The following major credit cards are accepted by most shops in Portugal: Visa, American Express, Eurocard-Mastercard, Diners.

Banks are usually open Monday to Friday from 8h30 to 15h00. All banks will exchange currency when open for business.



9. Weather and time zone

Despite being directly influenced by the Atlantic Ocean, the climate of the region is more Mediterranean than European North Atlantic. Therefore, the winter is neither too harsh nor is the midseason too hot. The temperature in Porto in February ranges between 7° and 15° Celsius.

For more information, please consult the following link: [Weather](#).

Local time in Portugal in October is Western European Summer Time (WEST - GMT + 1h).



10. Porto

“It was in the Porto and in the North regions that Portugal was founded in the 12th century and the Portuguese became a people and a nation.

Porto, a World Heritage city, is the gateway and departure point for a journey across the natural and cultural diversity of the region. It is known for the **Port wine** which is shipped from here all over the world, but also for a **heritage** which combines ancient churches and monuments, such as the [Cathedral](#) and the [Church of São Francisco](#), and modern buildings, such as [Casa da Música](#) and the [Serralves Museum](#). And also for its [School of Architecture](#) which bred names like Álvaro Siza Vieira and Eduardo Souto de Moura, both winners of the Pritzker Prize.

*The region is crossed by the [River Douro](#) which enters Portugal between the ravines and mountains of the interior to flow through the entire **World Heritage** landscape where the [Port and Douro wines](#) are produced. It is from here that the wine is sent to the [lodges at Vila Nova de Gaia](#), as the cruises touring the region make their way upriver.*

In this area of [mountains and natural parks](#), the region’s heritage is seen in its castles, such as the one in [Guimarães](#), and the shrines and churches which are the stage for pilgrimages in the summer. You will find the [Baroque architecture of Northern Portugal](#) in its stone and gilded carvings side by side with rural chapels. In its cities, which retain a human scale, such as [Viana do Castelo](#), [Braga](#), [Lamego](#), [Chaves](#) and [Vila Real](#), and in the manor houses and stately halls, you will find the genuine Portuguese people, who like to share their table, their customs and traditions. In Porto and Northern Portugal, the joy and gratitude for all we have and are, is experienced in the most spontaneous way.”

Source: “[Visit Portugal site](#)”

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11. Other sites

[Airport information](#)

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[Porto e Norte](#)

[News Porto.](#)