

## Travel

Paris is easy to reach by plane for long distance trips or by train for short distance ones including nearby European countries (England, Belgium and Holland, Germany, Italy, Spain, Switzerland).

For the participants who wish to go to the QFS meeting (August 1-7, Grenoble), I recommend the high speed train (TGV) which goes from Paris to Grenoble in about 3 hours (prices from 35€ one way if you book soon) see the web page

[http://www.tgv.com/FR/index\\_HD.html](http://www.tgv.com/FR/index_HD.html)

and switch to English if you like. You should be able to buy your train ticket online and some time in advance so that you have a cheaper price (be careful that week ends at that time in the year are periods of heavy traffic).

If you fly to Paris from a foreign country, you will probably arrive at Paris CdG airport (North of Paris) which is connected to Paris centre by RER, a kind of long distance Metro (see “Venue” on this site). You may arrive at Orly airport (South of Paris) which is also connected to Paris by the RER.

Some of you might like to fly to Brussels or Amsterdam (I am not sure that it is cheaper) which are also connected to Paris by TGV, or to Geneva which is closer to Grenoble, but it looks more convenient to fly directly to Paris.

Some of you might like to rent a car. If it is only to drive to or from Paris, I do not think that it is a good idea. If it is to visit France, for example on your way from Paris to Grenoble, then, of course, you might have a great time entering the French country side. Be careful again that the French roads are very busy during the summer time, especially on week ends.