



European Network for Business  
and Industrial Statistics

## ENBIS-16 Useful Information

### **Address of the Conference Venue**

University of Sheffield  
School of Mathematics & Statistics  
Hicks Building  
Hounsfield Road  
Sheffield  
South Yorkshire  
S3 7RH  
United Kingdom

### **Contact E-Mail Address**

The local organizers can be contacted through [enbis2016@sheffield.ac.uk](mailto:enbis2016@sheffield.ac.uk).

### **Conference Office**

The Conference Office is located in Lecture Theatre 4, at the rear of the main entrance lobby of the Hicks Building.

### **Badges**

Participants are requested to wear their name badge (issued on registration) during all professional and social activities related to the ENBIS-16 Conference.

### **Wireless Network**

Academic users should be able to detect the EDUROAM network through their portable device and log in via their home institution. Others should select the GUEST network and use the password shefconfkey.

### **Parking**

Parking at the University is extremely limited. It is anticipated that most delegates will walk or take public transport (bus or tram) to the Hicks Building from their accommodation. University car parks cannot be used without a permit. The small amount of local public parking (on-street or in the Durham Road Multi-storey Q Car Park adjacent to the University) fills up early and is costly. Participants with mobility issues should email the local organizers well in advance regarding disabled parking in University car parks.

## **Smoking**

The University of Sheffield is a non-smoking facility. We kindly ask you to respect this.

## **Printing Service**

No public printing is available in the University. If necessary, please contact the Conference Office.

## **Public Transport and Maps**

Sheffield has a compact city centre with a very good public transport network. The University campus lies just a few minutes walk to the west of the city centre. The University website gives maps and directions (<http://www.sheffield.ac.uk/visitors>). From the city centre, bus and tram are the most convenient forms of transport. On the tram take any blue or yellow service towards Middlewood or Malin Bridge and alight at the University stop. Buses numbers 30, 120, 123, 51, 52 and 52a all stop within a few hundred metres of the venue.

## **Taxis**

For the local taxi service, please dial +44 114 2393939 or ask for help at the Conference Office. 'London black cabs' displaying 'For Hire' can be stopped in the street, but other licensed taxis must be pre-booked.

## **Emergency Situations and Medical Services**

In case of emergency call in the UK call 999. These calls are free and no region code is required. The European emergency number 112 can also be used. Within the University, using a university handset, please call 4444 to summon internal, as well as external, assistance.

## **Time Zone**

During the conference, the UK is on official summer time and is thus one hour ahead of the Greenwich Mean Time (GMT+1).

## **Foreign Exchange and Banking**

The official currency in the UK is the pound sterling. Sheffield is not a major tourist destination and payment in Euros or traveller's cheques is not possible in most shops, though all major international credit cards are accepted in shops, hotels and restaurants. There are limited foreign exchange facilities; the nearest would be NatWest or Barclays banks, Marks & Spencer or Thomas Cook shops on Fargate/Pinstone Street/High Street in the City Centre. Most banks are open weekdays from 9 AM to 5 PM, Saturdays 9AM to 3 or 4 PM. ATMs (Automatic Teller Machines) are available 24/7 and located throughout the city. Most ATMs will only give instructions in English.

## **VAT**

Value-added tax is nearly always included in quoted prices. If you are a non-EU resident you are eligible to take advantage of tax free shopping in the UK. Details of how to claim a refund are available at <https://www.gov.uk/tax-on-shopping/taxfree-shopping>.

**Electricity**

Electricity in the UK is a 240 Volts, 50 Hz system. The UK uses a 3 pin, 13 amp plug (BS1363), which differs from that used in most other European countries. Please bring an appropriate adapter with you.

**Opening Hours of Retailers**

Most stores are open Monday to Saturday at least from 9 AM to 5 PM. On Sundays some stores are open from 10 AM to 4 PM.

**Childcare**

To increase conference accessibility to those with small children, we are willing to assist delegates in trying to find temporary local childcare facilities (though this cannot be guaranteed and early enquiry is essential). Unfortunately, we are not able to offer any financial support for childcare costs. See <https://www.lms.ac.uk/grants/caring-supplementary-grants> for more details.

**Disabled Access**

Owing to the fundamental structure of the Hicks Building, there is no wheelchair access to some lecture theatres and therefore we regret that the full range of conference sessions is not available to essential wheelchair users. Potential delegates should contact the local organizers for advice prior to booking. Those with limited mobility should note that most theatres are accessed by short flights of stairs from the main floors (which are served by lifts) and also that the lunch venue is approximately 200m away, in a separate building, though portering assistance is available if required.