

**30<sup>th</sup> International GRSG Conference  
Frontiers in Geological Remote Sensing  
10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> December 2019  
ESA ESRIN, Frascati, Italy**

**Conference Logistics**

**ESA ESRIN:** By popular demand, we are delighted to take our International conference and 30<sup>th</sup> Celebration to the European Space Agency's (ESA) ESRIN facility in Frascati, Italy. The home of European space science has been the host to the GRSG on two previous occasions and we believe it is a fantastic location for this year's event.

There will be 2 coffee breaks per day allowing time to view our posters and exhibition as well as a lunch in the ESRIN canteen (on delegates own account). This is a fantastic canteen offering a very wide range of food options, hot and cold and is heavily subsidised. Our long lunch breaks will also allow time for you to view our live demos, posters and network.

Please remember to bring ID (passport/driving license) with you for the first day of the conference for ESA security.

**Transportation to the conference:** Free shuttle buses will be provided for all delegates (included in the ticket price) to get both to and from ESA ESRIN and from the dinner. These will depart from the central square in Frascati. The shuttle bus timetable is below:

2 Buses	<b>Tuesday, 10 December</b>
<b>Morning</b>	
Departure from Piazza Marconi	08:10
Arrival in ESRIN	08:30
<b>Evening</b>	
Departure from ESRIN to all the hotels (Frascati center)	19:30

2 Buses	<b>Wednesday, 11 December</b>
<b>Morning</b>	
Departure from Piazza Marconi	08:10
Arrival in ESRIN	08:30
<b>Evening</b>	
Departure from ESRIN to Frascati center	17:30
Departure from Frascati center to Villa del Cardinale	18:30
Departure from Villa del Cardinale to Frascati center	23:00
Departure from Villa del Cardinale to Frascati center	23:45

2 Buses	<b>Thursday, 12 December</b>
<b>Morning</b>	
Departure from Piazza Marconi	09:00
Arrival in ESRIN	09:15
<b>Evening</b>	
Departure from ESRIN to all the hotels (Frascati centre)	15:30

For those wishing to walk it is approximately a 30 minute downhill walk from central Frascati to ESA ESRIN. Local taxis are also available and your hotel will be happy to arrange that for you.



**Security:** Please note that owing to security at ESA ESRI all delegates will be registered with the security office in advance. Please bring ID with you for reference in case it is needed (only needed for day 1 and for partners attending the welcome drink at the end of day 1). Once you have your delegate badge your ID will no longer be required.

**9<sup>th</sup> December, Icebreaker reception:** Please join us for our informal icebreaker reception which is a great way to meet the team, catch up with old friends and make new ones before the conference starts. This is open to all delegates (and partners) in central Frascati. This year it will be held at the [Flanagan's pub, Frascati](#) (Via Felice Grossi Gondi,6, 00044 Frascati RM, Italy). A welcome drink and light food will be provided and there is also a cash bar (and full menu).

**10<sup>th</sup> December, Wine Reception:** Following the Day 1 of the GRSG conference, which culminates with our AGM (open to all delegates), we will have our wine reception at ESA providing time for a relaxing chat with our exhibitors, poster presenters and each other. This will run from approximately 5.30-7.30pm leaving plenty of time for dinner at your leisure. For those bringing partners to the social events please do notify us as soon as possible as all attendees will need to be registered with ESA's security office. Contact Andrew ([membership@grsg.org.uk](mailto:membership@grsg.org.uk)) for more information.

**11<sup>th</sup> December, Conference Dinner:** The conference dinner will be held at the stunning Villa del Cardinale <https://www.hotelcastelvechio.com/villadelcardinale/en/>. Dominating Albano Lake and Castelli Romani Hills, Villa del Cardinale in Rocca di Papa is surrounded by nature and is an ideal place for this one off celebration event.

This year's dinner will be served as a 3-course gala dinner, prior to which we will enjoy a welcome drink on the terrace (weather permitting). Dinner tickets include your food, drinks and transportation to the event and then back to the centre of Frascati.

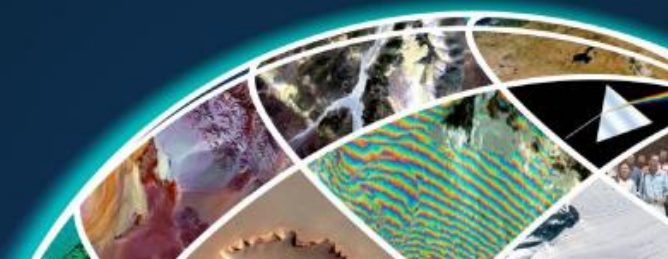
Tickets are available for this unique event which is open to all delegates and their partners/guests, so don't hesitate to contact Andrew ([membership@grsg.org.uk](mailto:membership@grsg.org.uk)) and Alasdair ([treasurer@grsg.org.uk](mailto:treasurer@grsg.org.uk)) to secure yours, or speak to us at the Registration Desk; standard and student rates are available.

**12<sup>th</sup> December, Afterglow:** As is tradition at the end of the conference, we will retire to a local bar in Frascati for a drink and/or food as you wish. Drinks will be on your own account. No need to let us know in advance if you are attending, this is always a very informal event and we do hope you can join us. Location will be confirmed during the conference.

**13<sup>th</sup> December, Field Trip:** Frascati is on one of the 'seven hills of Rome'. We are delighted to be able to offer a field trip again to explore this region. There is a small charge for this day trip of 20 euro per person (paid on the day), and delegates and partners are both welcome. This includes transportation (from central Frascati) and a light lunch. For more information on what sites we will visit on this excellent addition to our conference then please see <https://www.grsg.org.uk/news/explore-the-colli-albani-caldera-at-the-grsg-conference-2019/>. To register your interest please email Charlotte ([chairman@grsg.org.uk](mailto:chairman@grsg.org.uk)).

**Event Programme:** This year the GRSG is going digital and the programme will be available from our conference event website. A link will be circulated close to the time. This will provide all the abstracts and links to all relevant information related to the conference. A programme summary plus GRSG notepad will be provided in your delegate bags.

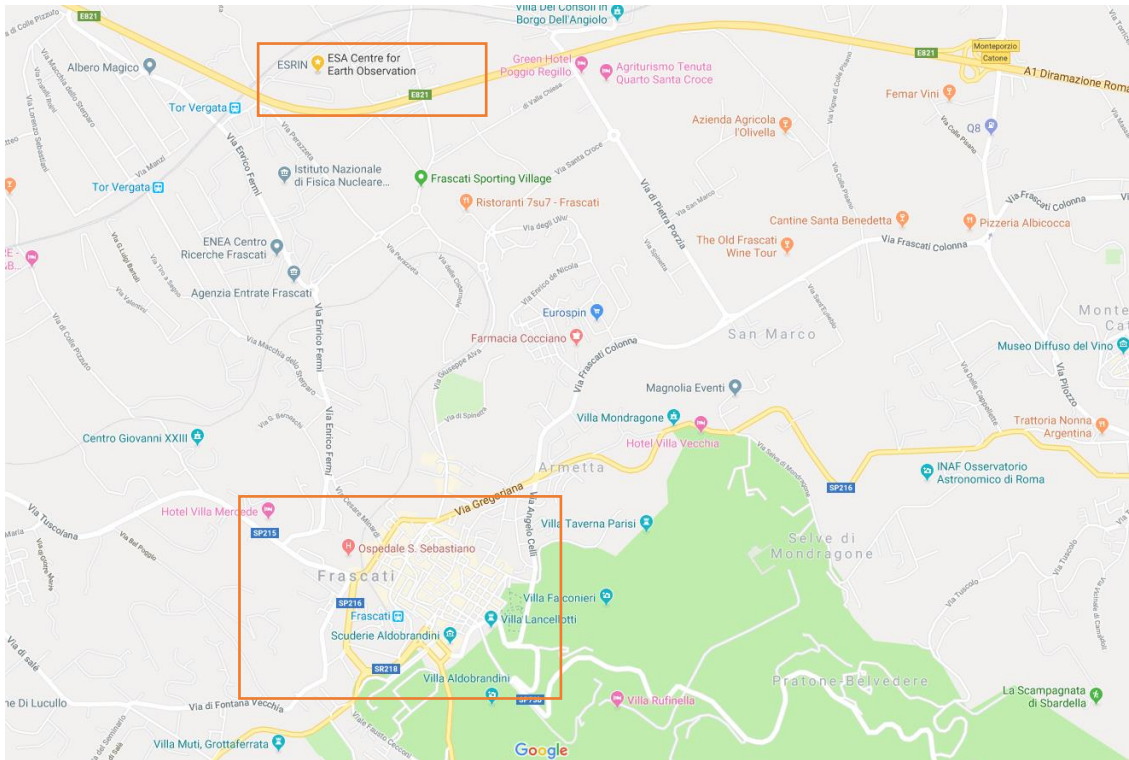
**General Enquiries:** For any general enquiries about the event please contact our Chairman, Charlotte ([chairman@grsg.org.uk](mailto:chairman@grsg.org.uk)) who would be pleased to help and/or direct your request accordingly



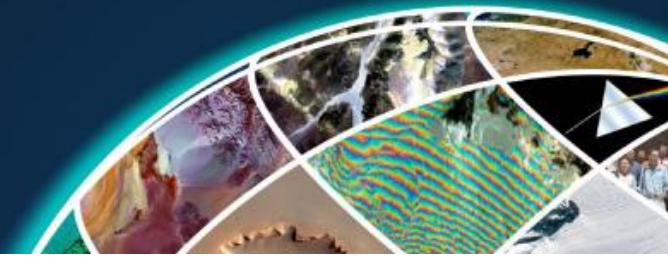
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### Other useful information

**Hotels:** Frascati has a number of hotel options as well as apartments. Central Frascati is very accessible with bars and restaurants close by to a number of hotels including Hotel Flora, Hotel Colonna, Hotel Bellavista with other hotel such as Hotel Antica Colonna and Villa Mercedes just on the outskirts of the town. We recommend you use the following links to find the best option for you!

[www.booking.com](http://www.booking.com)

[www.airbnb.com](http://www.airbnb.com)

[www.hotels.com](http://www.hotels.com)

**Restaurants close by:** Despite it being a small place there are a number of excellent restaurants in Frascati. If you need any specific recommendations during your stay then feel free to ask any of the team or indeed our ESA hosts.

**Travelling from the airport(s):** Frascati is served by two airports

- **Rome Ciampino:**
  - Closest airport to Frascati but limited airlines fly here
  - 20-30mins taxi ride to Frascati
- **Rome Fiumicino:**
  - 45mins – 1 hour taxi journey
  - Trains from the airport via Rome Central station directly to Frascati