

Restaurants

Piata Romana and nearby Piata Amzei host many and some of Bucharest's most diverse eateries: restaurants, cafes, street food stalls and fast food diners. Good places for a sit-down lunch or quiet dinner:

The Harbour - Strada Piața Amzei, nr. 10-22 (5 minute walk from Piata Romana, international cuisine) <http://www.harbour.ro/ro/contact/>

Pukka Tukka - Strada Piața Amzei 13 (vegan, vegetarian cuisine, 5 minute walk) <http://www.pukkatukka.ro/>

Trattoria Don Vito – Strada D.I. Mendeleev 1 (international cuisine- bistro, 7 minute walk) <http://trattoriadonvito.ro/>

Restaurant Cercul Militar – Strada C-tin Mille 18 (25 minute walk/one metro stop to Universitatii and 5 minute walk). Romanian cuisine, retro glamour, open for dinner. <http://www.cmn.ro/Restaurantul-militar-Bucuresti.html>

La Placinte – Bulevardul Gh. Magheru nr. 27 (5 minute walk from Piata Romana, Romanian cuisine, chain, terrace). <https://laplacinte.ro/en/>

Trattoria Il Calcio – Str. Franklin nr. 3 (10 minute walk from Piata Romana, large terrace, Italian cuisine) extremely well positioned across the Royal Palace, Romanian Atheneum, Central University Library Carol I, and Revolution Square <https://trattoriailcalcio.com/ateneu-2/>

Carul cu bere – Strada Stavropoleos nr. 5 (30 minute walk or one metro stop to Universitatii and then 10 minute walk). The restaurant was built in 1898, offers a variety of Romanian dishes and live entertainment such as traditional music and society dances. <https://www.carucubere.ro/en/>

Hanul lui Manuc Strada Franceza nr. 62-64 (30 minute walk that will take through the heart of the city into the Old Town). Built in 1808 this is the oldest operating hotel in Bucharest. <https://www.hanumanucrestaurant.ro/en/>



Accommodation

Hotels in and around Piata Romana:

These hotels and hostels from the area of the conference venue come well-reviewed by SRS members and friends.

Hotel Michelangelo - <http://hotel-michelangelo.ro/> (3 and 4 star rooms)

Hello Hotel <https://hello-hotels-bucuresti.continentalhotels.ro/en/> (2 stars)

Sheraton Hotel <http://sheratonbucharest.com/> (5 stars)

Hotel Duke <http://www.hotelduke.ro/en/> (4 stars)

Hotel Christina <http://christina-hotel.bucharest-hotel.com/en/> (4 stars)

Umbrella Hostel <http://umbrellahostel.com/>

The Midland Hostel <http://www.themidlandhostel.com/>

University Guest Houses

These are facilities managed by universities, meant to accommodate visiting scholars, conference participants etc. They can sometimes be booked for short stays at budget rates. Participants are expected to make their own reservations.

Casa de Oaspeti Academica (University of Bucharest Guesthouse)
<http://www.unibuc.ro/n/organizare/patrimoniu/academica/>

Casa de Oaspeti pentru Cadre Didactice Academia de Studii Economice
(University of Economic Studies' Guest House) and **Moxa E Student Dormitory**

A list of the major **chain hotels** operating in Bucharest:
<http://www.hotelchains.com/en/romania/bucharest/>

Other hostels in Bucharest:

<https://www.hostelworld.com/hostels/Bucharest/Romania/Map> Hostelworld is the main portal for booking hostels in Europe. It aggregates information provided by hostel keepers in different locations and facilitates reservations.

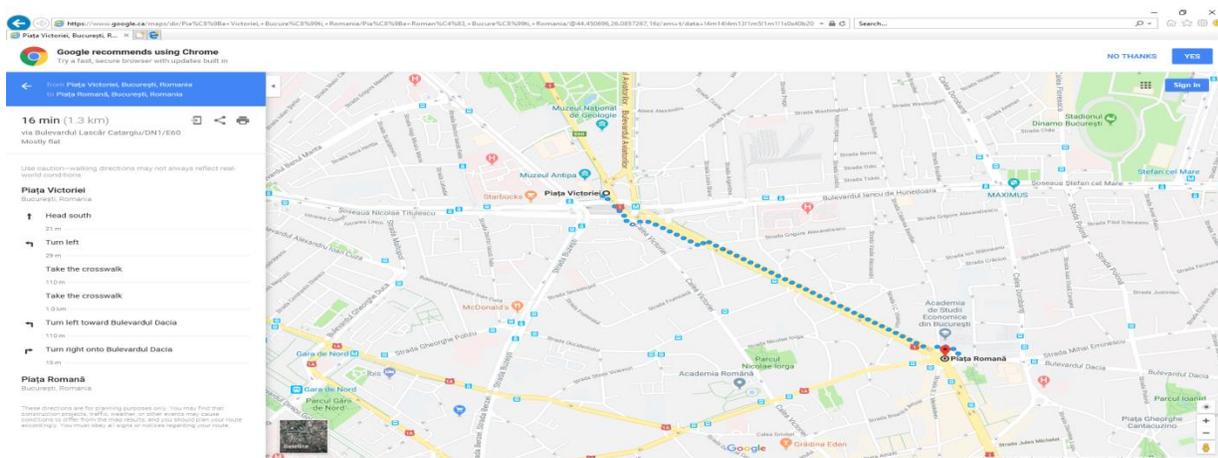
AirBnb listings: [https://www.airbnb.com/s/Bucharest--Romania?listing_types\[\]=1](https://www.airbnb.com/s/Bucharest--Romania?listing_types[]=1)

Things to do and see around Piata Romana

"**Piata Romana**" is where some of the city's most important avenues meet, notably Bulevardul Magheru, Lascar Cartagiu, and Dacia. It is home to arguably the country's most prestigious university, the Academy of Economic Studies (ASE), but like many other public squares in Bucharest the impact of its architectural gems is dampened somewhat by the heavy traffic which passes through. Nearby is busy Piata Amzei, a decent produce market that has recently been renovated, and which is flanked by some decent cafes and restaurants.

The metro station at Piata Romana is one of the most bizarre on the Bucharest underground system: a thick wall with just a few small openings for passengers to get through separates the platforms from the trains. Why? The station was an afterthought: originally there was to be no intermediate station between Universitate and Piata Victoriei." <https://www.inyourpocket.com/bucharest/piata-romana>

Lascar Catargiu Boulevard ends in Piata Victoriei, where the The Headquarters of the Romanian Government is located. In recent times, Piata Victoriei served as an assembly point for protests and demonstrations. The street is famous for the architecture of the houses most of which have been restored offering a glimpse of the fin du siècle Parisian atmosphere.



Bulevardul Magheru starts at Piata Romana and ends at Piata Universitatii. This is one of Europe most representative modernist boulevards, where the architecture in vogue in the 1930s is prevalent. During the 20 minute walk at the very core of the Romanian capital, the visitor can stop for refreshments at Café Verona (<http://www.cafeverona.ro/galerie/>), one of the cities numerous gardens located at the crossroad of Arthur Verona Street and Magheru Boulevard.

Piata Universitatii is located in downtown Bucharest, near the University of Bucharest. The square was the site of the 1990 Golaniad, a peaceful student protest

against the ex-communists in the Romanian government. The demonstrations ended violently when miners from the Jiu Valley were called in by president Ion Iliescu to restore order in Bucharest. The Ion Luca Caragiale Bucharest National Theatre and the Intercontinental Hotel (one of the tallest buildings in Bucharest) are also located near University Square. Right near the University of Bucharest there is Ion Mincu University of Architecture and Urbanism, an example of neo-Romanian or neo-Brancovenesc architectural style.



Also Within Walking Distance from Piata Romana:

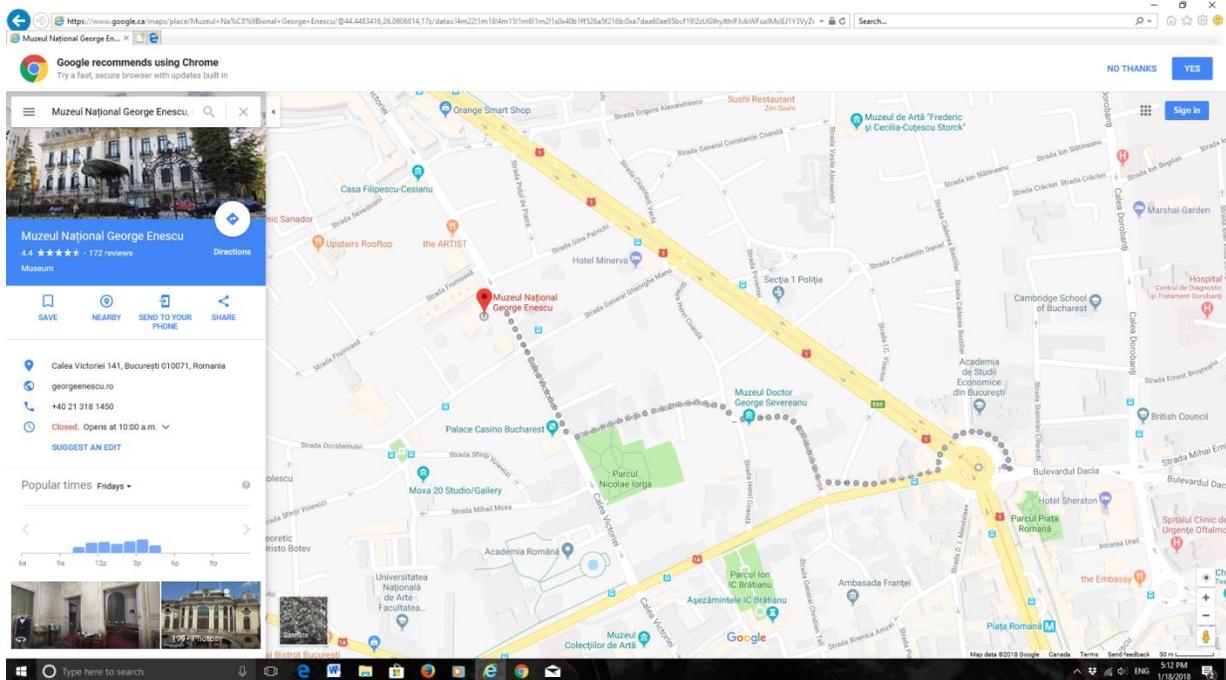


Parcul Ion Voicu- Ioanid A beautiful small park, very relaxing and cool during the summer (8 min walk from conference venue, <https://goo.gl/maps/u3HnHiWb9vG2>)

Sinagoga Yeshua Tova **The city oldest synagogue**, built in 1827 in Moorish style, renovated in 2007, the Yeshua Tova synagogue was the worship place for the Sephardic community of the city. Open daily between 8 am and 8 pm. (8 min walk, <https://goo.gl/maps/pAYuyXyGghN2>)

Muzeul Colectiilor de Arta The Art Collections Museum, part of the Romanian National Art Museum. Open Sat-Wed, 10:00-18:00. (9 min walk, passing by Biserica Amzei- built in 1810, <https://goo.gl/maps/Bx9w61916jt>) <http://www.mnar.arts.ro/muzeul-colectiilor-de-arta>

Muzeu National George Enescu. When in Romania, the country's most celebrated composer lived in the Cantacuzino Palace located 12 minutes away from Piata Romana, at Calea Victoriei 141. (<https://www.georgeenescu.ro/en/>)



Ateneul Roman Str. Franklin 1-3, concert hall, home of the George Enescu Philharmonica. During the summer season concerts and festivals are held on a stage set up near the Ateneu. The building also serves as meeting point for tours.



Muzeul National de Arta al Romaniei located in the Royal Palace in Revolution Square. Calea Victoriei 49-53, 15 minute walk from Piata Romana

Transportation

Taxis are cheap in Bucharest. Make sure you get an authorized one and the meter is on. All taxis are yellow and these are the security elements you should look for.



The price per kilometer ranges between 1,40 lei to 1,80 lei.

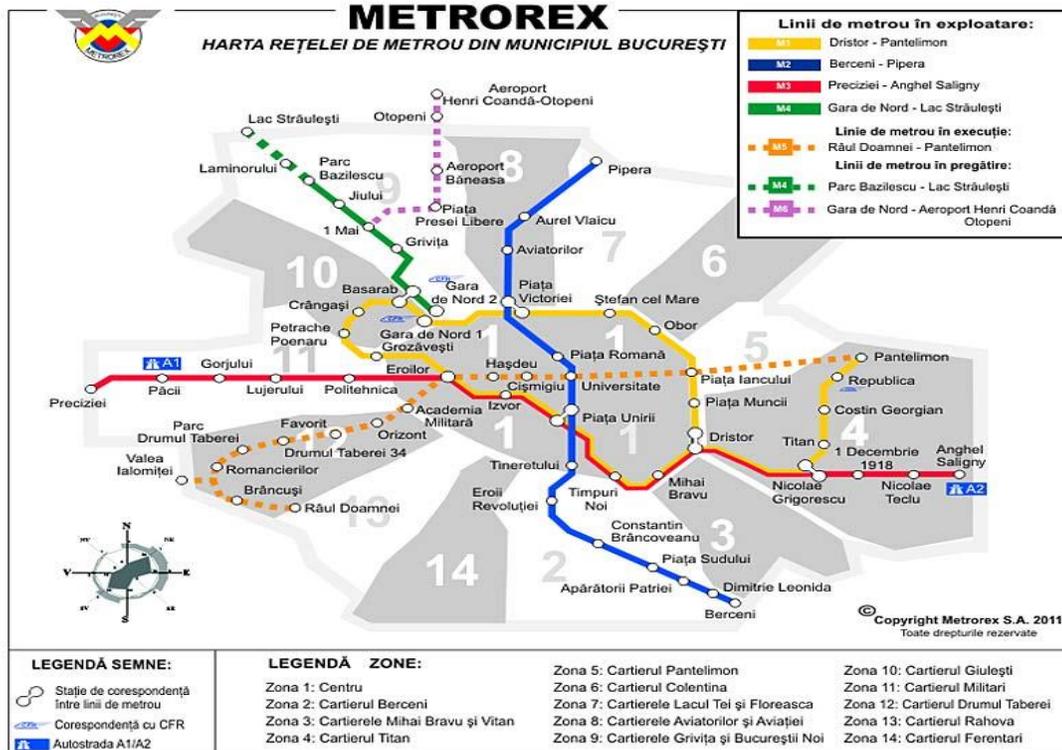
You can download [Clever Taxi app](#) to make sure you always find a taxi. Uber services are also available and payable in cash as well as credit cards.

Buses

Express line 783 connects Henri Coanda Airport with the City Centre. The bus runs every 15 to 20 minutes and the trip from the airport to Piata Romana may take up to an hour according to the traffic hours. The price of pass that includes two rides is 7,00 lei.

Metro

Bucharest metro system includes 4 lines. Piata Romana is located on the blue one. The City Centre stretches alongside 4 stations, all located on the blue line: Piata Victoriei- Piata Romana- Piata Universitatii- PiataUnirii. The cost of a pass that includes 2 rides is 5,00 lei, a daily pass is 8,00 lei and a pass with 10 rides is 20,00 lei. The operating hours are between 5:00 a.m. and 23:00.



Convenience Stores

The most spread supermarket chain is a Romanian one, Mega Image. It includes Express Points, small stores which are virtually everywhere.

Other chains: Profi, Kaufland, Carrefour, Lidl, Penny Market.



Pharmacies

The word for pharmacy in Romanian is “farmacie,” though very rarely the term “apotheka” or “apoteca” is also used.



More places to see (all within an hour of walking from Piata Romana):

Casa Poporului, Ceausescu's famous megalomaniac structure, now the House of Parliament, Strada Izvor 2-4. Advanced booking is required. (<http://cic.cdep.ro/en/opening-hours-and-tariffs>)

Calea Victoriei, a major avenue running parallel to Magheru. It starts in Piata Victoriei and ends in Splaiul Independentei which runs parallel to the Dambovita River. List of monuments on Calea Victoriei: The Cantacuzino Palace that hosts The George Enescu Museum, Museum of Art Collections, Știrbey Palace, The Athénée Palace Hotel, now a Hilton, Romanian Athenaeum, National Museum of Art of Romania, Kretzulescu Church (1720), Piața Revoluției, Palatul Telefoanelor, Odeon Theatre, Casa Capșa, Cercul Militar Național, Pasajul Macca-Vilacrosse, Bucharest Financial Plaza, National Museum of History of Romania, Casa de Economii și Consemnațiuni (CEC).

Centrul Vechi, the city's oldest area which includes: Curtea Veche, Str. Franceza nr. 25 (the ruins of the former Voivodal Palace built by Vlad Dracul in 1459 <http://muzeulbucurestiului.ro/En/the-old-princely-court.html>), old streets, Lipscani, Smardan, the country's largest and most beautiful bookstore built inside Chrissoveloni Palace (Lipscani 55, <http://carturesticarusel.ro/>), the old churches of Sfantul Anton (1559) and Stavropoleos (1722), Hanul lui Manuc.

Centrul Vechi is also famous for its vibrating night life.

Bulevardul Regina Elisabeta, Parcul Cismigiu, Beraria Gambrinus, Arhivele Nationale ale Romaniei (a 10 minute walk from Piata Universitatii).

Herastrau Park (Bucharest's largest park), **Cartierul Primaverii** which includes the residence of Nicolae Ceausescu (Casa Ceausescu: Bulevardul Primaverii nr. 50; advanced booking is required) http://casaceausescu.ro/?page_id=3403&lang=en

Walking Tours:

A very popular tour is The Communist Tour. It costs 16 Euros and should be booked in advance.

<https://tourofcommunism.com/about/41045599493/>

Free walking tours are offered daily at 10:30. The meeting point is in front of the Ateneu.

<http://freetourinbucharest.com/>

Calendar

The most widely-read and diverse events calendar in Bucharest:

<http://metropotam.ro/>