

# LYON

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**Congress and Event Capacity : Up to 7 400 delegates**

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France's **4<sup>th</sup>** International airport with **126** direct flight connections and **49** airlines companies.

Regular flights to all main European cities within 2 hours: Connection from airport and city center in **25** minutes.

**3** TGV stations allowing easy access to the city for delegates from all around the world.

### **Lyon, the result of 2000 years of history**

Looking for an **exceptional historical trail**? Follow the guide! From the Gallo-Romans ruins to the Vieux-Lyon, a unique Renaissance district in Europe, from the classical buildings to the iconic traboules -Lyon's well-hidden treasures-, it is no wonder **500 ha of the city are inscribed on UNESCO's world heritage list**. And to cap it all, its decent size makes it easy to wander through the city and discover everything it has to offer!

### **Lyon: the French art de vivre at its finest**

If you're a foodie and love to taste everything when traveling for business, then Lyon is the place to come! With over **5,300 restaurants**, the city clearly is the **French capital of gastronomy**. A title Lyon owes to **Monsieur Paul Bocuse**, a visionary cook elected Chef of the Century in 1989 by the Gault & Millau guide and again in 2011 by the Culinary Institute of America. **From Michelin star restaurants to authentic local bouchons**, organic and veggie cuisine, food courts and halls, you will fall in love with Lyon from starter to dessert.

### **Lyon makes a commitment to sustainable tourism**

Lyon is committed toward more sustainable, respectful, innovative and inclusive tourism. The main event venues, the Tourist Office, and the Convention Bureau are **ISO 20121 certified**. Lyon joined the **GDS-Index** (Global Destination Sustainability Index), a leading sustainability benchmarking and improvement program for destinations around the world designed to make the business and events tourism industry more sustainable. Today, with a score of 80%, **Lyon is one of the leading city in France**.

### **Lyon has the second largest capacity in France for hosting events**

With **over 250 meeting spaces**, including **3 major venues** (Euroexpo, Halle Tony Garnier, Lyon Convention Centre) Lyon and its Metropolis have the second largest capacity in France for the hosting of events. The opening of the LDLC Arena, the Groupama Stadium attracts sporting events, concerts, and corporate events. Moreover, from grand luxury hotels in the city centre or small family-run hotels to hotel residences, Lyon offers a very wide range of accommodation to satisfy all your attendees.

### **Lyon, the strength of a diversified economy**

Lyon, **France's 2nd largest economic hub** after Paris with a population of **1 402 326 million** in Greater Lyon has many advantages that make it a real economic power. The city currently has **one of the highest GDPs in Europe** and a trade surplus, due to its dynamic and diversified industrial network. Lyon supports **innovation and excellence** by **funding research** in the context of "**competitiveness clusters**". These include: biotechnologies (LYONBIOPOLE), urban public transport

(CARA), energy transition (TENERDDIS), digital technology (MINALOGIC), rubbers, mechanical engineering (CIMES) plastic and composites (POLYMERIS). Solutions for industry at the confluence of the chemical, environmental and energy sectors (AXELERA). Technical and functional textiles sector (TECHTERA).

Leading international companies: Sanofi Pasteur, Biomérieux, April, GL events, Renault Trucks, Arkema, Cegid, Adecco, Rhodia, Seb...

## Tips to (re)discover Lyon

### 1. Gastronomic buffet at The Halles Paul Bocuse

The Kingdom of the finest regional produce and some of the finest eateries, restaurants, bistros... It is an iconic venue to host events of all kinds, in particular gala events.

### 2. Musée des Confluences

A unique experience within a monumental structure of metal and glass, following the great story of the human adventure from our origins to the present day.

### 3. La Sucrière

The center for arts and events in the heart of Lyon. Built in the 1930s, this former warehouse offers a 5,500 sqm area dedicated to culture, contemporary art as well as festive and hospitality events.



# 10 REASONS TO CHOOSE LYON

Discover why Lyon is one of the world's leading business event places.

Lyon is the leading french city in terms of sustainable tourism

250 meeting spaces, including 4 major venues

Lyon is the result of 2000 years of history

2nd economic metropolis IN FRANCE

Lyon is the 2nd Convention city in France behind Paris and in front of Montpellier. (International Congress and Convention Association - ICCA)

500 courtyards and traboules

500 ha listed as Unesco World Heritage

EASY ACCESS less than a 2-hour ride by TGV train from Paris

a stone's throw from Provence

less than 2 hours by air from the capital cities of Europe

2nd French hotel capacity with

19,686 rooms

in Lyon Metropolis



19 Michelin starred restaurants

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