

**Proposal to Host  
the ISATT Biennial Conference 2027**

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# 1. Welcome & Conference Invitation

## Why Bordeaux?

The **University of Bordeaux**, through its **INSPÉ** (*Institut National Supérieur du Professorat et de l'Éducation* – **Higher National Institute for Teaching and Education**) and the **LACES** (*Laboratoire Cultures – Éducation – Sociétés* / **Cultures – Education – Societies Research Centre, UR 7437**), is honoured to present this proposal to host the **ISATT Biennial Conference in 2027** in Bordeaux, France.

Bordeaux offers an **outstanding setting** for an international gathering: a city of world-renowned cultural heritage, strategically located at the crossroads of Europe, and easily accessible from major global hubs. The city is served by an **international airport** with daily connections across Europe, and by a **high-speed TGV** service linking Bordeaux to Paris in just two hours. A modern and eco-friendly **tram and bus network** ensures seamless access to the university campuses and conference venues.

As a **UNESCO World Heritage site**, Bordeaux provides a unique environment where history and modernity meet. Renowned worldwide as the **capital of wine**, the city also boasts a vibrant cultural life and a dynamic urban atmosphere, making it an attractive destination for international delegates.

The **conference venue** will be the INSPÉ of Bordeaux at **Mérignac**, an elegant historical site located within the **Château de Bourran campus**. It offers a large auditorium, numerous fully equipped seminar rooms, and a green park environment. Its location, only a few minutes from the airport and directly connected to the city centre by the main tram and bus lines, ensures optimal accessibility for all participants. If necessary, the additional INSPÉ site in the city centre (rue de l'École Normale) could also be mobilised to provide complementary facilities. Beyond its cultural and logistical advantages, Bordeaux is a **major centre for teacher education and educational research**. The University of Bordeaux is one of the largest universities in France, with more than **56,000 students** and **3,200 academic staff**, and is recognised for its strong research orientation and international profile. Its multidisciplinary structure fosters cross-disciplinary research and innovation, providing an ideal environment for hosting an international scientific event such as ISATT 2027.

The **INSPÉ of Bordeaux** plays a central role in the initial and continuing training of teachers across the Nouvelle-Aquitaine region. With over 20 training sites, it ensures wide territorial coverage and strong connections between **research and practice**. It has a long-standing commitment to **inclusive education, equity, and pedagogical innovation**, in close alignment with ISATT's mission.

The **LACES Research Centre (UR 7437)** is a nationally and internationally recognised unit in the field of education and training sciences. Bringing together more than **140 researchers and doctoral students**, LACES conducts interdisciplinary research on **teacher education, inclusive pedagogy, interculturality, and professional development**. It coordinates and participates in numerous funded projects (Erasmus+, Horizon Europe, national and regional programmes) and contributes actively to global scientific debates through publications, conferences, and collaborative networks.

Together, the **University of Bordeaux, the INSPÉ, and LACES UR 7437** provide a strong institutional and scientific foundation for ISATT 2027, ensuring that the conference will benefit from both **academic excellence and close engagement with schools and practitioners** at regional, national, and international levels. Hosting ISATT 2027 in Bordeaux will thus combine high-level scholarly exchange with the discovery of a welcoming, innovative, and forward-looking city.

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The National Higher Institute for Teaching and Education (INSPÉ) of the Bordeaux Academy prepares students for careers in teaching (from primary to secondary education) and in the wider field of education. It offers both initial and continuing programmes with a strong focus on educational innovation, international teacher education, project management, education for sustainable development, learning engineering, and knowledge mediation. The Institute also plays a key role in the lifelong professional development of teachers and education staff within the Bordeaux Academy.



## University of Bordeaux, INSPÉ and the historical background of the Château de Bourran

The conference venue, the INSPÉ of Bordeaux at Mérignac, is located within the historic Château de Bourran and its surrounding park. Originally a wine estate owned by Bordeaux parliamentary families, the property was later acquired by François-Armand de Saige, lawyer and mayor of Bordeaux, before changing hands several times after the French Revolution.

The present château was built in the late nineteenth century (around 1870) by the architects Jules and Paul Lafargue, commissioned by the shipowner Émile Ravesies and his son-in-law, banker Léopold Piganeau. Designed in a neo-Renaissance style, the château is set in a landscaped park of 18 hectares, created in 1884 by the landscape architect Louis Le Breton. The park includes lakes, bridges, and a rich variety of trees, and is today open to the public.



Both the château and the park were listed as French Historic Monuments in 1992.



Since the mid-twentieth century, the site has been dedicated to education: it hosted the *École Normale* for teacher training after World War II, later the IUFM and ESPE, and today houses the INSPÉ of Bordeaux (Higher National Institute for Teaching and Education).

If necessary, the additional INSPÉ site located in the city centre of Bordeaux (rue de l'École Normale, 33200 Bordeaux) could also be mobilised. This historic building, easily accessible by public transport, offers further lecture and seminar rooms and would provide complementary facilities for parallel sessions



INSPÉ de l'académie de Bordeaux - Site de Gironde / Bordeaux Caudéran  
49 Rue de l'École Normale, 33200 Bordeaux.



## 2. Conference Theme

### Main theme

#### *Reimagining Teaching and Teacher Education through Diversity, Inclusion and Sustainability*

**Building on the theme of the ISATT 2025 conference in Glasgow**, “Quality Teaching for a More Equitable World”, ISATT 2027 in Bordeaux will further advance these reflections by placing diversity, inclusion, and sustainability at the core of reimagining teaching and teacher education in the face of global challenges.

The proposed theme reflects ISATT’s longstanding commitment to advancing high-quality teaching and teacher education in a rapidly changing and uncertain world. In an era marked by the rapid expansion of **artificial intelligence**, by **climate-related challenges**, and by rising **social and democratic tensions**, there is an urgent need to rethink how teachers and teacher educators engage with diversity, equity, and sustainability.

By placing **diversity and inclusion** at the centre, the conference acknowledges the ethical and social responsibilities of educators in fostering equity and justice. At the same time, the theme engages with **sustainability**, addressing the environmental, cultural, and institutional challenges that schools and societies face globally. The notion of *reimagining* highlights the importance of **creativity, innovation, and resilience** in educational practices, encouraging critical reflection on how teaching and teacher education can respond to fragmentation, digital transformation, and uncertainty, while nurturing collaborative, intercultural, and future-oriented perspectives.

This theme also resonates with Bordeaux’s recognised expertise in **inclusive education, interculturality, and pedagogical innovation**, as demonstrated in the ISATT Regional Conference hosted in 2022. Building on this foundation, ISATT 2027 will offer a truly global platform for dialogue, research dissemination, and professional exchange.

### Sub-themes: proposed Conference Strands

1. **Inclusive Education and Social Justice**
  - Practices and policies for equitable schooling.
  - Addressing diverse learner needs and aspirations.
  - Rethinking equity and justice in fragmented societies.
2. **Teacher Agency, Professional Identity and Wellbeing**
  - Teachers’ voices and responsibilities in times of uncertainty.
  - Ethics and care in teaching and teacher education.
  - Professional resilience, collaboration, and wellbeing.
3. **Artificial Intelligence and Digital Transformation in Education**
  - Opportunities and risks of AI for inclusion and equity.
  - Digital pedagogies and intercultural collaboration.
  - Ethical challenges of technological change.
4. **Interculturality, Global Citizenship and Democracy**
  - Teaching across borders, cultures, and languages.
  - Education for democracy, critical thinking, and active citizenship.
  - Migration, multilingualism, and cultural diversity.
5. **Sustainability and the Future of Education**
  - Eco-pedagogies and climate-responsive practices.
  - Building sustainable institutions and communities of practice.
  - Preparing teachers for equitable and sustainable futures.

### 3. Executive and Organising Committee

#### The Local Organising Committee

The Local Organising Committee for ISATT 2027 will be jointly coordinated by:

- **Prof. Magdalena Kohout-Diaz**, University of Bordeaux – Member of the ISATT Executive Committee and National Representative for France
- **Representatives from the INSPÉ of Bordeaux** (Higher National Institute for Teaching and Education)
- **Members of the LACES Research Centre** (UR 7437 – Cultures, Education, Societies)

To ensure efficient organisation, the Local Organising Committee will rely on the Conference Service Unit of the University of Bordeaux (*Cellule Congrès*) and on a specialised event management agency (to be selected through a public call for applications). The related service fees are estimated at 12–15% of the overall budget, covering tasks such as registration management, accommodation support, logistics, and technical services.

#### The Scientific Committee

In addition to these core institutions, the conference will build on a strong nucleus of research units and interdisciplinary departments affiliated with the INSPÉ and the University of Bordeaux. This nucleus will form the basis of the **Scientific Committee**, which will be further expanded to include colleagues from other universities in France as well as from the international ISATT community, ensuring broad representation and expertise.

The following list is indicative rather than exhaustive, and reflects the rich academic ecosystem of the region:



- **LAB-E3D** – Laboratory of Epistemology and Didactics of Disciplines, focused on the philosophical and pedagogical foundations of subject teaching.
- **ARTES** – Arts: Transversality, Education, Societies, exploring the intersections of artistic practice, education, and social change.
- **IMS Bordeaux** – Integration from Material to System, a multidisciplinary hub for electronics, photonics, and embedded systems.

- **Centre Émile Durkheim** – A leading centre for sociology and political science, renowned for its theoretical and empirical research.
- **SPH** – Sciences, Philosophy, Humanities, bringing together scholars in philosophy, history of science, and humanistic inquiry.
- **Passages (UMR 5319)** – Research on spaces, societies, and the environment, with expertise in urban planning and spatial dynamics.
- **CLIMAS** – Cultures and Literatures of the English-Speaking Worlds, specialising in anglophone literature, cultural studies, and postcolonial analysis.
- **LabPsy** – Psychology Laboratory of the University of Bordeaux, conducting research in clinical, developmental, and cognitive psychology.
- **EPOC** – Environments and Paleo-Environments: Oceans and Continents, a geoscience laboratory focused on climate history and environmental change.
- **Bordeaux Neurocampus** – The university's neuroscience hub, encompassing teams working on brain function, cognition, and neurodegenerative diseases.
- **MICA** – Media, Information, Communication, Arts, investigating digital media, communication theory, and creative industries.
- **Plurielles** – Languages, Literatures, and Civilisations, with a focus on comparative and intercultural studies.

Interdisciplinary Research Departments of the University of Bordeaux include:

- **ECOr** – Department of Evaluation, Behaviour and Organisations, specialising in behavioural sciences, organisational dynamics, and decision-making.
- **CHANGES** – Climate, Environment and Societies, addressing sustainability, socio-environmental transitions, and societal transformation.
- **SIN** – Department of Engineering and Digital Sciences, covering computer science, robotics, and emerging technologies.
- **Department of Environmental Sciences** – Focused on ecological systems, biodiversity, and environmental policy.

By mobilising this extensive network, the Local Organising Committee will convene researchers from educational sciences and teacher training, as well as from psychology, environmental studies, digital technologies, sociology, and the arts and humanities. This diversity will ensure that ISATT 2027 in Bordeaux is grounded in strong institutional support, scientific excellence, and bold interdisciplinary innovation.

A dedicated **Scientific Committee**, enlarged to include national and international colleagues, will oversee the call for papers, peer review processes, and the selection of keynote speakers, ensuring academic rigour, international relevance, and intellectual diversity throughout the conference.



## 4. Previous ISATT Event in Bordeaux: from 2022 to 2027

### The ISATT Regional Conference held in Bordeaux in 2022



The **ISATT Regional Conference held in Bordeaux in 2022** focused on the theme “*Inclusive Ethics in Education: A New Horizon for Teachers and Teaching*”. Organised in the immediate aftermath of the Covid-19 pandemic, it represented one of the first opportunities for the ISATT community to gather again in person, fostering a renewed sense of collegiality and exchange. The event brought together more than **120 participants from 27 countries**, creating a vibrant forum for dialogue between early-career and senior scholars. Its programme combined plenary lectures, paper sessions, and interactive workshops, organised around thematic strands addressing inclusion, ethics, teacher education, and interculturality.

The conference demonstrated our ability to host a **high-quality international scientific event**, marked by rigorous peer review and the publication of selected papers. It also integrated **inclusive and creative formats**, such as film screenings and a participatory theatre workshop, which enriched the academic discussions and opened new ways of engaging with research.

### Lessons learned and continuity towards 2027

The Bordeaux 2022 Regional Conference confirmed the importance of combining **academic rigour** with **innovative and inclusive formats**. It provided concrete evidence of our capacity to manage an international peer review process, welcome participants from multiple continents, and create meaningful spaces for dialogue across different career stages. It also highlighted the value of **creative approaches to scholarly exchange**—such as participatory theatre and film screenings—which successfully engaged participants in new and stimulating ways.

Building on these lessons, the Bordeaux team is fully prepared to **scale up to the Biennial ISATT Conference in 2027**, broadening the focus towards **diversity, inclusion, and sustainability** in response to today’s global challenges. The continuity between the 2022 regional conference and the 2027 biennial event illustrates Bordeaux’s ability to combine **institutional reliability, scientific excellence, and innovative practices** in service of the international ISATT community.

## 5. Conference dates and programme

### Proposed Dates

The conference is scheduled to take place from **5 to 9 July 2027**. The event will extend over five days, following the successful model of previous ISATT biennial conferences. The opening day, **Monday 5 July**, will be dedicated to doctoral students and early-career researchers, offering workshops, methodological sessions, and mentoring opportunities.

The main conference will officially open on **Tuesday 6 July** with an inaugural plenary and keynote lectures, followed in the evening by an **official reception at Bordeaux City Hall** with a wine and cheese tasting.

**Wednesday 7 July** will feature a full day of paper presentations, symposia, and workshops, concluding with the **Gala Dinner**, held as a dinner cruise on the Garonne River.

**Thursday 8 July** will provide another full day of scientific sessions, panel discussions, and poster presentations, as well as space for special interest groups and networking activities.

The event will close on **Friday 9 July** with the final paper sessions in the morning, followed by the **Closing Ceremony** and a farewell lunch.

### Draft Structure of the Programme

Day	Programme Highlights
<b>Monday 5 July</b>	Doctoral and Early-Career Day: workshops, mentoring sessions, methodological roundtables, meetings with editors
<b>Tuesday 6 July</b>	Morning: Opening Ceremony and keynote addresses Afternoon: paper sessions and symposia Evening: Official reception at Bordeaux City Hall with wine and cheese tasting
<b>Wednesday 7 July</b>	Full day of paper sessions, symposia, and workshops Evening: Gala Dinner (dinner cruise on the Garonne)
<b>Thursday 8 July</b>	Full day of paper sessions, panels, and poster presentations Special sessions and networking events
<b>Friday 9 July</b>	Morning: final paper sessions Closing Ceremony Farewell lunch and departure of participants

### Additional Considerations

The **conference language will be English**, ensuring wide international reach.

**Hybrid participation** will be possible only upon request and strictly limited, with a maximum quota of online participants per workshop or symposium. The technical implementation of this hybrid format will be supported by the PI-Lab (Innovation and Pedagogical Engineering Laboratory of the INSPÉ), ensuring high-quality videoconferencing, dedicated technical staff, and pedagogical expertise. This will guarantee that online participation remains inclusive and smooth, while preserving the focus on in-person scientific interaction.



The programme will balance **plenary sessions, parallel papers, methodological workshops, poster sessions, and symposia**, ensuring diversity and inclusivity.

**Coffee breaks, lunches, and poster sessions** will be scheduled with ample time to foster informal exchanges and networking.

The **conference booklet (printed or digital)** will include a presentation of research laboratories affiliated with the INSPÉ and the University of Bordeaux, highlighting their research axes and disciplinary diversity.

**Conference logistics** (room scheduling, programme coherence, technical support) will be coordinated by the University of Bordeaux's Conference Service (*Cellule Congrès*) in collaboration with a professional event agency.

## 6. Conference Support

The bid will be strongly supported by:

- **University of Bordeaux**
- **INSPÉ of Bordeaux**
- **LACES UR 7437**
- **Région Nouvelle-Aquitaine**
- **City of Bordeaux**
- **Rectorat de l'académie de Bordeaux**

Scientific leadership will be **jointly carried by the INSPÉ of Bordeaux and the LACES research centre (UR 7437)**, ensuring both pedagogical anchoring and research excellence.

The ISATT 2027 Conference in Bordeaux will be strongly supported at both institutional and scientific levels.

At the institutional level, the University of Bordeaux is fully committed to hosting the event, with the co-sponsorship of the INSPÉ of Bordeaux and the LACES Research Centre (UR 7437). This joint leadership ensures strong synergy between teacher education, research, and practice. Additional support will be provided by the **Rectorat de l'académie de Bordeaux, the Nouvelle-Aquitaine Regional Council, and the City of Bordeaux**, all of which have expressed their interest in the international visibility of this event. Formal Letters of Support are in preparation and will be appended to this proposal as they are received.

At the scientific level, the **LACES Research Centre (UR 7437)** will serve as the anchor institution, bringing together a multidisciplinary team of researchers in education, pedagogy,

sociology, and psychology. Collaboration with other French and international research groups will ensure that the scientific programme reflects ISATT's global and intercultural scope. Formal letters of support from these key partners are currently being prepared and will be added to this proposal at a later stage.

## 7. Conference Venue

The **INSPÉ of Bordeaux at Mérignac (160 avenue de Verdun, 33705 Mérignac)** has been selected as the main venue for ISATT 2027. This choice combines practicality, historical character, and financial sustainability, as the premises will be provided at no cost to the organisers.

**Facilities:** The site offers a spacious amphitheatre for plenary sessions (suitable for the Opening Ceremony and keynote lectures) and numerous seminar rooms of varying capacities, all equipped with modern audiovisual and video-conferencing systems. These facilities are particularly well adapted to an international scientific event, allowing for smooth parallel sessions, workshops, and hybrid options.

**Historical Setting:** The venue is located within the **Château de Bourran**, a 19th-century neo-Renaissance building set in an 18-hectare landscaped park. Once a wine estate, later converted to teacher training institutions, it is today classified as a French Historic Monument and houses the INSPÉ of Bordeaux. The surrounding park, with its lakes, bridges and century-old trees, provides a serene and inspiring environment for academic exchange.

**Accessibility:** The site is extremely well connected. It is located on the route of the **Liane 1 bus line**, which provides a direct connection between **Bordeaux Saint-Jean train station** and **Bordeaux International Airport**, with a stop directly in front of the campus. In addition, trams and bus lines connect Mérignac to the city centre within 20 minutes.

**Mobility Support:** To facilitate eco-friendly transport, the organisers plan to negotiate a collective agreement with the **Transports Bordeaux Métropole Authority (TBM/)** to provide each delegate with a **public transport pass included in the registration pack**, valid throughout the conference period. This will allow participants to circulate freely across the metropolitan area without any additional procedure.

**Complementary Site – Bordeaux-Caudéran:** In addition to Mérignac, the **INSPÉ Gironde site (49 rue de l'École Normale, 33200 Bordeaux Caudéran)** will be available as a complementary venue. This historic building, easily accessible by public transport, offers additional lecture and seminar rooms and provides further flexibility for parallel sessions, workshops, or specific thematic events.

By combining modern facilities, historical significance, and sustainable accessibility, the **INSPÉ Mérignac campus**, together with the **Caudéran site**, offers an optimal balance between academic excellence, logistical convenience, and a welcoming atmosphere for ISATT 2027 delegates.

## 8. Access

Bordeaux is a **well-connected and easily accessible European hub**, offering participants multiple travel options: INSPÉ

**International Airport:** Bordeaux–Mérignac Airport (BOD) operates daily direct flights to over 100 destinations across Europe, including major hubs such as London, Amsterdam, Frankfurt, Madrid, and Rome, as well as frequent connections to Paris Charles de Gaulle for



intercontinental travel. The airport is located less than 10 minutes from the conference venue at the INSPÉ Mérignac campus.

**High-Speed Train (TGV):** Bordeaux is linked to Paris in just two hours via the high-speed rail network. This provides fast connections to international Eurostar and Thalys services, as well as onward links to other French cities such as Lyon, Marseille, Toulouse, and Lille.



**Public Transport:** The Bordeaux metropolitan area benefits from an extensive, modern, and eco-friendly **tram and bus network**. The INSPÉ Mérignac campus is directly served by the **Liane 1 bus line**, offering a seamless connection between the airport, the main railway station (Bordeaux Saint-Jean), and the conference venue. Tram Line A also provides fast access between the city centre, university districts, and Mérignac.



**Conference Mobility Package:** To ensure sustainable and hassle-free transport, all registered delegates will receive a **public transport pass included in their conference pack**, valid for unlimited travel across the city during the conference period. This pass will be negotiated collectively with Bordeaux's public transport authority (TBM), ensuring convenient access to the venue and to the city's cultural and social programme.

**Cycling and Walking:** Bordeaux is one of France's most cycle-friendly cities, with more than 200 km of bike paths and extensive pedestrian areas. The Château de Bourran park, surrounding the main conference venue, offers a pleasant green environment within easy reach of the tram and bus stops.

Thanks to this combination of international connectivity, efficient local transport, and sustainable mobility solutions, ISATT 2027 participants will benefit from a **smooth and environmentally responsible travel experience**.

## 9. Accommodation

Bordeaux offers a **wide variety of accommodation options** to suit different budgets and preferences, all easily accessible by public transport:

**Hotels:** The metropolitan area provides more than **15,000 hotel rooms**, ranging from international chains to boutique hotels and family-run establishments. Options include luxury four- and five-star hotels in the historic city centre, as well as affordable two- and three-star hotels close to the conference venue in Mérignac.

**University Residences and Budget Accommodation:** In collaboration with the University of Bordeaux and CROUS services, a number of **student residences** will be made available at preferential rates during the summer period. These provide a cost-effective option for doctoral students and early-career researchers.

**Airbnb and Short-Term Rentals:** Bordeaux is a popular destination for visitors, with a wide range of apartments and houses offered through Airbnb and other rental platforms. These can be particularly attractive for delegates wishing to stay in shared accommodation or with family.



**Accessibility and Proximity:** All accommodation categories are well connected to the **INSPÉ Mérignac campus** by tram and bus. Delegates staying in the city centre can reach the venue in 20 minutes via **Tram Line A** or the **Liane 1** bus line. For those preferring to stay near the airport, hotels in Mérignac provide quick shuttle services and direct access to the conference site.



**Support Services:** The Local Organising Committee will work with the **University's Conference Service (*Cellule Congrès*)** and a professional event agency to provide guidance and booking support for delegates. Special negotiated rates will be secured with partner hotels, and booking information will be clearly indicated on the conference website.

By combining a rich variety of lodging options, convenient transport connections, and negotiated rates, ISATT 2027 will ensure that participants benefit from a **comfortable, affordable, and accessible stay** in Bordeaux.

## 10. City Support

The City of Bordeaux is committed to supporting international scientific events and will be an active partner in ISATT 2027. Its engagement will combine logistical expertise, cultural promotion, and institutional visibility.

**Bordeaux Convention Bureau:** The local Convention Bureau will provide professional support in areas such as delegate services, promotional tools, and event logistics. This includes assistance with accommodation bookings, social programme organisation, and city branding for international delegates.

**Institutional Commitment:** The **City of Bordeaux**, the **Nouvelle-Aquitaine Regional Council**, and the **Rectorat of the Académie de Bordeaux** have all expressed their support for the ISATT 2027 bid, recognising its importance for the region's international visibility and academic prestige.

**UNESCO World Heritage Site:** Bordeaux's historic city centre is inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage list as "an outstanding urban and architectural ensemble of the 18th century." This exceptional setting provides an inspiring backdrop for delegates, combining heritage with a vibrant, cosmopolitan atmosphere.



**Cultural and Social Opportunities:** As the capital of the world's most famous wine region, Bordeaux offers unique opportunities for vineyard tours, wine tastings, and gastronomy experiences. The city also boasts a rich cultural life, with museums, theatres, music festivals, and contemporary art venues available to complement the conference programme.

**Accessibility and Sustainability:** The city has invested heavily in sustainable urban transport, including an extensive tram and bus network, bicycle-friendly infrastructure, and eco-certified hotels and venues. This aligns with ISATT's commitment to sustainability and environmentally responsible event organisation.

By combining institutional backing, world-class cultural heritage, and sustainable infrastructure, the City of Bordeaux will play a **key role in ensuring the success and international visibility of ISATT 2027**.

## 11. Social Programme

The social programme will highlight **Bordeaux's unique cultural and historical richness**, creating memorable experiences for delegates and fostering informal exchanges beyond the academic sessions.



wine and cheese tasting, celebrating Bordeaux's world-renowned gastronomy and offering a warm institutional welcome.

**Welcome Reception at the Palais Rohan (City Hall):** On the opening evening, the Mayor of Bordeaux will host delegates at the historic Hôtel de Ville, a landmark 18th-century building in the heart of the city. The reception will feature a convivial



### **Gala Dinner – Dinner Cruise on the Garonne**

**River:** Mid-week, delegates will be invited to an exclusive gala dinner aboard a riverboat on the Garonne. This festive cruise will combine fine dining with panoramic views of Bordeaux's illuminated UNESCO heritage façades, offering an unforgettable atmosphere for networking and celebration.





**Guided Vineyard Visits:** Delegates will have the opportunity to discover Bordeaux's world-famous vineyards through guided tours and tastings. Several options will be offered, including visits to the **Médoc**, **Saint-Émilion** (also a UNESCO World Heritage site), and **Graves** wine regions. A focus will be placed on sustainable and organic wine production, in line with the conference's emphasis on sustainability. These visits will also provide the occasion to celebrate doctoral and early-career researchers with awards and recognitions.



**UNESCO Heritage Walking Tour:** A two-hour guided walking tour will be organised in English through Bordeaux's historic city centre, inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage list. The itinerary will include emblematic landmarks such as the **Place de la Bourse**, the **Miroir d'Eau**, the **Grand Théâtre**, and the Garonne riverfront. This tour will allow delegates to experience Bordeaux's architectural splendour and cosmopolitan atmosphere.

By combining cultural heritage, gastronomy, and convivial networking moments, the social programme of ISATT 2027 will provide delegates with a **unique and immersive experience of Bordeaux**.

## 12. Pre-Conference & Post-Conference

**Pre-Conference (Monday 5 July 2027):** A full day will be dedicated to doctoral students and early-career researchers. Activities will include methodological workshops, mentoring sessions, and roundtables co-organised by the INSPÉ of Bordeaux and the LACES Research Centre (UR 7437), in close collaboration with ISATT senior scholars. In addition, participants will have the opportunity to present their work in a dedicated **Doctoral Poster Session**, creating a supportive environment for feedback, exchange, and networking with peers and senior researchers.

**Post-Conference (Friday afternoon, 9 July 2027):** Delegates will be invited to participate in study visits to inclusive schools and regional educational projects, showcasing innovative practices in the Nouvelle-Aquitaine region. These visits will be jointly coordinated by the INSPÉ and LACES in partnership with local educational authorities. In addition, the post-

conference phase will mark the preparation of the ISATT 2027 conference proceedings, managed via the **SciencesConf platform** for abstract collection and publication, with selected papers to be published in collaboration with **BRILL** and other academic publishers.

## 13. Conference Proceedings

The dissemination of research presented at ISATT 2027 will be ensured through a combination of digital and printed formats, guaranteeing both accessibility and academic visibility.

**Abstract Management and Online Publication:** All submissions will be managed through the **SciencesConf platform**, which will serve as the central hub for abstract collection, peer review, and programme compilation. This platform also enables the creation of a digital book of abstracts, ensuring open access for all participants and long-term availability.

**Conference Proceedings:** Following the model successfully used in previous ISATT conferences, selected peer-reviewed papers will be published as part of the official **ISATT Conference Proceedings**. For ISATT 2027, collaborations are already envisaged with **BRILL** and other international publishers, ensuring professional editorial standards and global dissemination.

**Extended Opportunities for Publication:** Beyond the proceedings, high-quality contributions may also be considered for inclusion in **special issues of international journals** or in edited volumes aligned with ISATT's thematic focus. This will provide further avenues for visibility, especially for doctoral students and early-career researchers.

Through these measures, ISATT 2027 will ensure that the scientific outputs of the conference are **rigorously reviewed, widely accessible, and internationally recognised**.

## 14. Inclusivity & Accessibility

ISATT 2027 in Bordeaux is committed to being an inclusive and accessible conference, ensuring that participation is open, equitable, and meaningful for all delegates.

**Hybrid Participation:** While the conference will primarily prioritise in-person engagement, a limited hybrid option will be available upon request. Online participation will be strictly capped per workshop or symposium to preserve interaction quality. The technical set-up will be managed by the **PI-Lab (Innovation and Pedagogical Engineering Laboratory of the INSPÉ)**, which provides expertise in digital learning and event support. This guarantees professional videoconferencing, high-quality AV equipment, and dedicated technical staff, ensuring that those who join remotely experience smooth and inclusive participation.

**Accessibility of Venues:** All conference venues, including the INSPÉ Mérignac campus and the Bordeaux-Caudéran site, are fully equipped with modern Wi-Fi and audiovisual infrastructures. Buildings are accessible to participants with reduced mobility, with ramps, elevators, and adapted seminar rooms. Signage, registration desks, and information materials will be designed to ensure clear communication and accessibility.

**Inclusive Cultural and Academic Activities:** The social and academic programmes are conceived to embrace diversity. Poster sessions and networking activities will explicitly encourage the participation of **doctoral students and early-career researchers**, while cultural visits (UNESCO heritage, vineyard tours) will be accessible to all delegates. Activities will

highlight local practices in inclusive education, intercultural dialogue, and sustainable development, aligning with the overarching conference theme.

**Experience from Bordeaux 2022:** The ISATT Regional Conference held in Bordeaux in 2022 successfully integrated a hybrid participation option via Zoom, enabling international colleagues to join despite travel restrictions. This experience demonstrated Bordeaux's organisational capacity to combine **on-site academic exchange with digital accessibility**, a model that will be refined and extended for ISATT 2027.



Through these measures, ISATT 2027 aims to ensure that inclusivity and accessibility are **not only logistical priorities but also intellectual and cultural commitments**, embedded throughout the conference experience.

## 15. Sustainability

Bordeaux is strongly committed to the principles of **sustainable event organisation**, and ISATT 2027 will actively embed environmental responsibility into all aspects of the conference.

**Eco-Mobility:** Bordeaux is a tram and bicycle-friendly city with more than 200 km of cycle paths and extensive pedestrian areas. The INSPÉ Mérignac venue is directly accessible by public transport, reducing the need for private cars. Each delegate will receive a **public transport pass** in their conference pack, encouraging sustainable mobility throughout their stay.

**Digital Materials:** The conference will prioritise the use of **digital resources** (programme apps, e-badges, **online proceedings via SciencesConf**) to significantly reduce paper consumption. Printed materials will only be provided when strictly necessary, using recycled paper and eco-certified suppliers.



**Responsible Catering:** All meals, coffee breaks, and receptions will be organised with local, seasonal, and eco-labelled products. Catering partners will be selected based on their commitment to sustainability, waste reduction, and the use of reusable or compostable materials.

**Green Accommodation and Venues:** Partnerships will be established with **eco-certified hotels and venues** (such as Green Key or ISO 20121 certifications). Delegates will be guided towards accommodation providers demonstrating clear environmental responsibility.

**Institutional Engagement:** The **University of Bordeaux, the INSPÉ, and the LACES Research Centre (UR 7437)** are deeply engaged in promoting environmentally responsible academic events. Their sustainability policies include carbon footprint monitoring, sustainable procurement practices, and waste management strategies, all of which will be integrated into ISATT 2027.

**Carbon Awareness:** Participants will be encouraged to consider the environmental impact of their travel. The organising committee will provide information about carbon offset options and promote eco-friendly choices for both travel and accommodation.

Through these combined measures, ISATT 2027 aims to become a model of **sustainable academic conferencing**, demonstrating how large-scale international scientific events can be environmentally responsible while maintaining excellence and inclusivity.

## 16. Budget & Registration Fees

The budget for ISATT 2027 has been carefully designed to ensure financial sustainability while maintaining affordability for participants. It has been discussed in detail during **two preparatory meetings of the Local Organising Committee**, leading to a consolidated draft presented in the annexes.

**Budgetary Reference Points:** The current projections build on the financial model of the **ISATT Regional Conference 2022 in Bordeaux**, which provided valuable benchmarks for costs and revenues. This draft has also been compared with the financial structure of **ISATT 2025 in Glasgow**, thanks to the guidance of **Dr. Ismail Özgür Zembat** (University of Glasgow, ISATT 2025 Conference Chair), who shared insights into registration rates and expenditure planning.



**Registration Fees:** The proposed fee structure (see Annex) balances inclusivity and cost coverage. It distinguishes between ISATT members and non-members, early bird and late registration, with concessionary rates for participants from low- and middle-income countries, teachers, and postgraduate students. A **reduced “Pre-Conference only” fee** is also proposed for doctoral participants, while the **Gala Dinner** will be an optional extra. Fees include conference participation, coffee breaks, daily lunches, and the Welcome Reception at Bordeaux City Hall.

**Financial Support and Sponsorship:** In addition to registration fees, the Organising Committee will actively seek **subsidies and sponsorships** from institutional partners (University of Bordeaux, INSPÉ, LACES UR 7437, Rectorat, Region, City of Bordeaux) and from external sponsors, including research departments, foundations, and private partners. This diversified funding strategy will allow the conference to remain financially accessible while covering professional services (e.g., event management agency and Conference Service Unit of the University, estimated at 12–15% of the overall budget). This financial plan ensures that ISATT 2027 will be **economically viable, inclusive, and transparent**, combining registration income, institutional support, and targeted sponsorships.

To provide a clear overview for delegates and partners, the key registration categories and important dates are summarised below.

Category	Early Bird (until 10 May 2027)	Regular	Late (from 5 June 2027)	Notes
ISATT member	€420	€460	€500	Includes lunches, coffee breaks, and Welcome Reception
Non-member	€450	€492	€530	Same inclusions as above
Concessionary (LMIC delegates, full-time postgraduate students, teachers)	€250	€286	—	Proof of status required
Pre-conference only (doctoral students)	€100	—	—	Access to doctoral day, poster session & mentoring
Gala Dinner (optional)	€90	—	—	Dinner cruise on the Garonne

## Key Dates

- **Call for Papers:** 1 May – 5 September 2026
- **Review of Submissions:** 15 September – 20 November 2026
- **Notification of Outcomes:** 25 November – 15 December 2026
- **Preliminary Programme:** by 7 January 2027
- **Early Bird Registration:** 7 January – 10 May 2027
- **Late Registration:** 11 May – 5 June 2027
- **Conference Dates:** 5 – 9 July 2027

## 17. Annexes

The following annexes will be included in the final proposal:

- Budget documents:
  1. Draft Budget Forecast
  2. Registration Fee Proposal
- Maps (campus, city access, tram lines)
- Venue layout
- Accommodation overview
- Letters of Support :
  1. University of Bordeaux
  2. INSPÉ of Bordeaux
  3. LACES UR 7437
  4. Région Nouvelle-Aquitaine
  5. City of Bordeaux
  6. Rectorat of the Académie de Bordeaux

## Annexes

### Fees & Registration

Conference attendees must pay the applicable fees. These fees include conference expenses, first-day reception and daily coffee breaks and lunches but do not include the Gala Dinner fee. Please note no refunds will be allowed after 13th June, 2027 (11:59 am).

Rate	Category	Deadline	Fee (€)
1	Early bird registration (ISATT member)	10 May 2027	€420
2	Early bird registration (non-member)	10 May 2027	€450
3	Concessionary registration (LMIC delegates, postgraduate students, teachers)	10 May 2027	€250
4	Regular registration (ISATT member)	2 May 2027	€460
5	Regular registration (non-member)	2 May 2027	€492
6	Student pre-conference only	10 May 2027	€100
7	Late registration (ISATT member)	5 June 2027	€500
8	Late registration (non-member)	5 June 2027	€530
—	Gala Dinner (optional)	10 May 2027	€90

## Maps (Campus, City Access, Tram Lines)

### Campus Location

The INSPÉ of Bordeaux (160 avenue de Verdun, Mérignac) is located within the historic Château de Bourran estate. The venue is less than 10 minutes from Bordeaux–Mérignac Airport and directly connected to the city centre by the **Liane 1 bus line** and **Tram Line A**.

### City Access

- **Airport:** Bordeaux–Mérignac Airport (BOD) serves more than 100 direct destinations.
- **Train:** Bordeaux Saint-Jean railway station connects to Paris in 2 hours by TGV.
- **Public Transport:** The TBM tram and bus network ensures seamless connections between the airport, train station, city centre, and the INSPÉ campus.

### Tram & Bus Network

The **Liane 1** bus line links the **airport**, the **INSPÉ campus**, and the **train station**, with a stop directly in front of the campus. Tram Line A provides a fast link to the city centre and university districts.

*(Maps of Bordeaux transport network, tram lines, and campus access will be insert here.)*



## Venue Layout

### Facilities at INSPÉ Mérignac (Château de Bourran Campus)

- **Main Auditorium:** 400-seat amphitheatre for plenaries and opening/closing ceremonies.
- **Seminar Rooms:** 10 fully equipped rooms (30–60 seats each) for parallel sessions.
- **Poster & Exhibition Areas:** Central Hall and foyer for posters, coffee breaks, and networking.
- **Outdoor Spaces:** Access to the Château de Bourran park (18 hectares), providing a green and welcoming environment for informal meetings.

### Complementary Venue

The **INSPÉ Gironde site (49 rue de l'École Normale, Bordeaux-Caudéran)** offers additional lecture and seminar rooms, ensuring flexibility for workshops and thematic sessions.

*(We'll insert venue layout plan, plus photos of amphitheatre, seminar rooms, and park.)*

## Hotels

- Bordeaux offers more than **15,000 hotel rooms**, ranging from 2★ to 5★.
- Options include boutique hotels in the city centre and affordable hotels near Mérignac airport.

## University Residences

- In partnership with the **CROUS**, student residences will be made available at preferential rates during the summer.
- These provide cost-effective accommodation for doctoral students and early-career researchers.

## Short-Term Rentals

- Numerous apartments and houses are available via Airbnb and other platforms, suitable for families or shared stays.

## Sample Overview

Category	Example	Location	Distance to Venue	Notes
4★ Hotels	Hôtel de Sèze, Radisson Blu	City centre	20 min tram	Senior delegates
3★ Hotels	Ibis Bordeaux Mérignac	Mérignac	10 min bus	Affordable, near venue/airport
Student Residences	CROUS Bordeaux	City centre	20–25 min tram	Budget option (summer only)
Rentals	Airbnb apartments	Centre & suburbs	Variable	Flexible for groups/families

*(We'll insert here city map with hotel clusters, and a list of suggested partner hotels once rates are negotiated.)*