

EBSA COURSE ON PROBLEMS AND METHODS IN MEMBRANE BIOPHYSICS

Arriving to Hondarribia:

PLANE – The airport of San Sebastian is actually located right next to Hondarribia. Currently there are mostly flights to Madrid and Barcelona from that airport. The company Ekialdebus offers buses that connect the airport with both Hondarribia and San Sebastián.

The next closest airport is located in Biarritz (20 km away). Although there isn't a bus from that airport to Hondarribia, the company Pesa offers buses that go to the neighboring towns of Irún (3 km) and Hendaye (4 km). The Bilbao International Airport (90 km) offers many domestic and international flights, with bus connections to San Sebastián.

CAR – Hondarribia is located next to the toll road AP-8. The AP-8 is called the “Highway of the Cantabrian” and, as its name indicates, runs along the northern coast of Spain. It is a toll road within the Basque Country, becoming a free road all the way to Galicia. This same road becomes the A-63 in France. There is also another road that passes next to Hondarribia called N-121. It comes from Pamplona and ends in Irún. There is a free parking area in Hondarribia located in front of the Santa Maria gate, which is the main entrance to the Old Town. This is the best parking option. There is also another parking situated next to the beach, which is a paid parking during the summer months (9 € per day for cars, 29 € per day for motorhomes).

BUS – There isn't a proper bus station in Hondarribia, but several bus stops throughout the town. The company Ekialdebus offers buses that connect Hondarribia with San Sebastián, Irún and other surrounding towns.

TRAIN – There isn't a train station in Hondarribia. The closest stations are located in Hendaye, Irún and San Sebastián.

From Hendaye, there are direct connections to other towns of the French Basque Country such as St Jean de Luz (12 min, 3 €), Biarritz (25 min, 6 €) and Bayonne (35 min, 8 €). There is also a line from EuskoTren known by the locals as “El Topo” which connects San Sebastian with Hendaye in 35 minutes. There is one train every half an hour, every day of the week and the trip costs 4.60 € (there and return). From Hendaye, there are also trains to other big French cities such as Paris, Toulouse or Nice.

The train station of Irún (3 km) offers a wide variety of short and long distance trains with destinations all over Spain (such as Galicia, Cataluña and Madrid) and even Lisbon.

BOAT – The company Jolaski offers a ferry service between Hondarribia and Hendaye. There is a boat every half an hour and it takes around 10 minutes. In summer, there are boats from 10 am until 1 am. In winter, the first boat leaves Hondarribia at 11 am and the last one at 7 pm. The ticket costs 1.80 €.