

## Practical Information – Tirana (Albania)

### Payments in Albania/Tirana

You can pay in all places for all services in cash.

Most of restaurants, bars, markets and hotels accepts card too.

Local currency: ALL Albanian Lek, Euro is accepted too.

Exchange rate: 1 Euro= 103.00 ALL

Internet connection: there is public internet connection provided by Tirana Municipality around public places

Local phone operators: Vodafone and One provide local phone numbers including internet packages starting from 3 days and 1 week, it cost around 10 Euros. Shops are almost everywhere and at the airport too.

### IMPORTANT CONTACTS

For medical emergency, police call **127**

#### 1. From TIA (Tirana International Airport) to Tirana

-By Bus

There is a regular bus line that offers 24-hour service 7 days a week. The bus is parked in Tirana behind the Opera & Ballet Theatre (city center) and on your left parking side at the airport. The journey takes 30 minutes.

**Service hours:** 24 h-Every Day

**Price:** 400 ALL (4-5 Euro)

**Web:** [www.luna.al](http://www.luna.al)

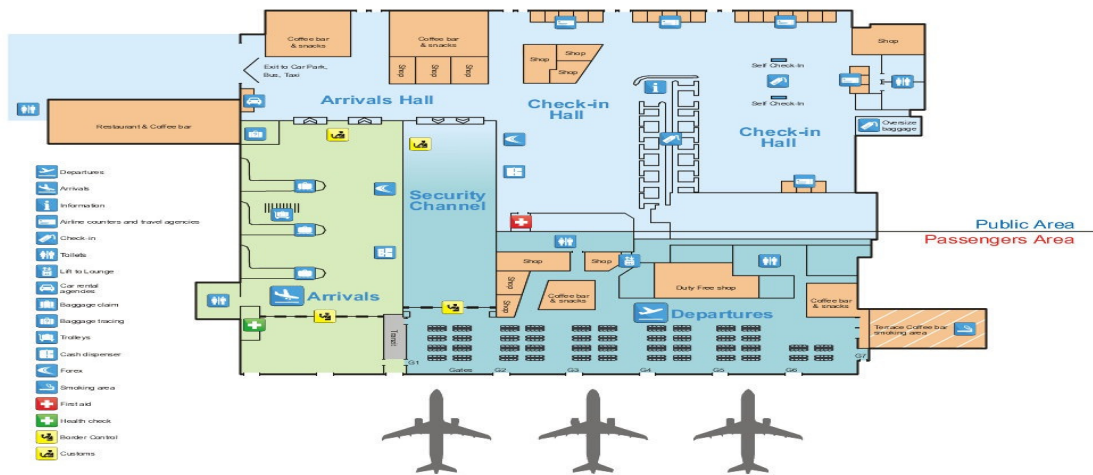
**Phone:** +355692982128

-By taxi (electric taxi)

It is the most flexible way and it cost one way **10-12 Euro** from airport to your final destination. You can book your taxi ahead and it will be waiting for you upon your arrival <https://green.al/> **WhatsApp Green taxi:** +355698002000

Or another taxi number that you may feel free to call for transportation within the city or from airport: +355 69 76 68 184

Orientation Maps: TIA



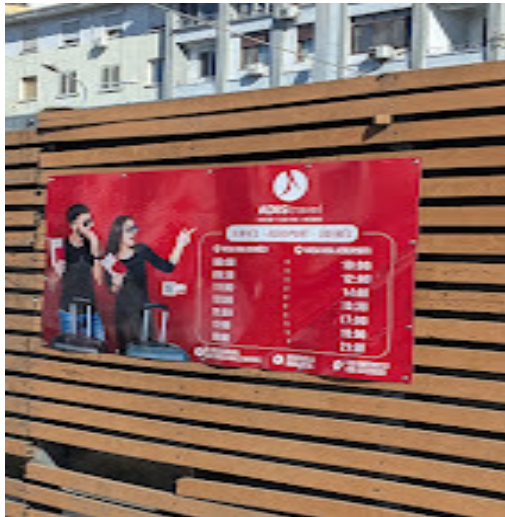
OPT - City Center: in Albanian: ‘Pas Teatrit të Operas dhe Baletit, Autobuzat për Rinas’ once you are in the right spot you will be able to see this tower in front of you. as it is in the photo



## 2. From Durrës to Tirana

If you are coming by ferry to Albania your first stop is at Durrës Port, Durrës Albania. From Durrës to Tirana you can use public transportation. At the bus station (Terminali i Autobuzëve, Durrës) in Durrës every one hour you can take the bus to Tirana. You can pay for your ticket upon your arrival at the bus station. It cost 3 Euro one way. Or use a taxi is cost around 25-30 Euros.

Map and images: Buss Station in Durrës

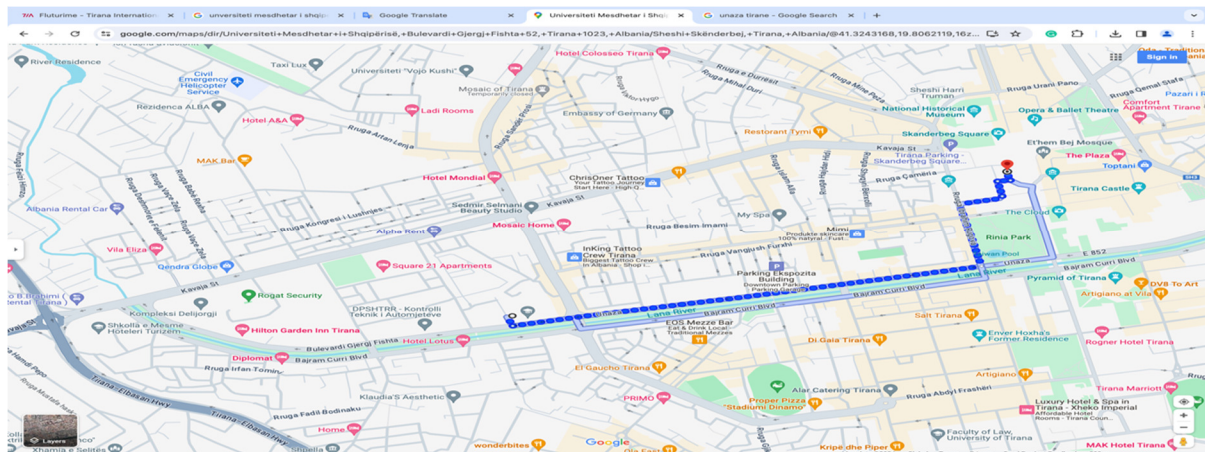


**Fun Fact:** There is NO Trains and Train station or railways in Tirana and Albania. All bus stations are open space so it is easy to navigate the ‘Entry’ and ‘Exit’ from the bus stations. **Feel safe** around the city, Tirana is a safe city and is welcoming international visitors.

### 3. From City Center (Sheshi Skënderbe/Scanderbeg Square) to Mediterranean University of Albania/ Universiteti Mesdhetar i Shqipërisë.

- From city center to the University by walking: Tirana is a small city and you can access around in the city by walking. From your location (most of the hotels and Airbnb’s are located around city center) it could be 20-35 min walk.
- Inside the building: I will be waiting for you by the entrance 😊.
- Rooms for the conference are on the second and third floor and to use the elevator press the floor number and after the code 1111.

<https://www.google.com/maps/dir/Sheshi+Sk%C3%ABnderbe,+Tirana,+Albania/Universiteti+Mesdhetar+i+Shqip%C3%ABris%C3%AB,+Bulevardi+Gjergj+Fishta+52,+Tirana+1023,+Albania/@41.3243719,19.805585,16z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m14!4m13!1m5!1m1!1s0x1350310ffc466d8b:0x5a0007debe988e6!2m2!1d19.818195!2d41.32728!1m5!1m1!1s0x135030539398a0c1:0xcd7fb5b6e397240b!2m2!1d19.8033345!2d41.3218301!3e2?entry=ttu>



## Accommodation

Most safe and popular neighborhoods in Tirana, where you can book Airbnb's. (Near by the University)

1. 21 Dhjetori
2. Muhamet Gjolesha
3. Vasil Shanto
4. Blloku
5. Pazari i ri
6. Rr. Durrësit
7. Rr. Kavajës
8. Blv. Zogu i Parë
9. Rr. Elbasani

## HOTELS

1. Mondial Hotel- <https://www.hotelmondial.al/>
2. Diplomat Hotel- <https://diplomathotels.al/>
3. Hotel Colosseo Tirana- <https://hotelcolosseotirana.com/>
4. Antigone Hotel- <https://www.hotelsalbanian.com/hotel-antigone/>
5. Hilton Garden Inn- <https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/tiagigi-hilton-garden-inn-tirana/>

## RESTAURANTS

1. Era-Blloku- <https://era.al/era-blloku/>
2. Oda- <https://odarestaurant.al/>
3. Kalaja e Tiranës has several restaurants- <https://kalajaetiranes.al/>

## BARS

'Blloku' neighborhood during the communist regime used to be an exclusive and non-go zone with villas for the political elite of the time. Nowadays most of these villas are bars, restaurants or have other public functions, or have 'become' huge towers. Here are some of the bars you may visit.

1. Radio Bar
2. Colonial
3. Tribeca
4. Kino

- Green Line (green busses)

Green Line makes the stops withing the black circle. You have to get off by 'Vasil Shanto' Station and the building is in the area marked with green colour.

You pay for the ticked on the bus and it costs 40 cent one way. If you feel unsure about the trip, ask for help to another passenger.





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