

Dates: October 27th to 29th, 2015

Location: King's House Conference Centre - Manchester / United Kingdom

The City of Manchester (UK)

Located in the northwest of England, Manchester is a city renowned by business and its innovation.



Disposing an estimated population of 512.000 habitants, Manchester has a very rich history. There you will find a large variety of attractions, in which we can mention: The Manchester Cathedral, Manchester Town Hall, The Monastery, The Withworth and a diversity of Museums (Manchester Museum; Manchester Art Gallery; Manchester United Museum & Tour Centre; Museum of Science and Industry; Imperial War Museum North (IWM)).

Climate

Manchester has a changeable climate.

Average Yearly low 6.33 Celsius (43.40 Fahrenheit)

Average Yearly High 13.13 Celsius (56.63 Fahrenheit)

source: <http://www.bbc.com/weather/7281603>

Language

The official language in Manchester is English. All place names and signage in Manchester are in English.

Time Zone

Manchester's time zone is Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) in the winter months and British Summer Time (BST) in the summer months. GMT ends and BST starts on the last Sunday of March. BST ends and GMT starts on the last Sunday of October.

Currency

The currency for the Manchester is the **Great British Pound Sterling (GBP, £)**.

£ 1.00 currently values **USD 1,56**.

£ 1.00 currently values **€ 1,41**.

Note: This value refers to the 29th July 2015 quotation. Make sure to verify the updated quotation.

Credit Cards are accepted in Manchester in most retailers, bars and restaurants. Also the city has many Cash Machines (ATMs) dotted around.

Passport and Visa Requirement

In order to get a visa to enter UK, visitors will need:

- Passport with at least 6 months of validation

Check if you need a UK visa at <https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa> and verify your category, the conditions of eligibility, documents you must provide, etc.

The applications for the visa for General Visit are processed within 10 days.

Hotel

MacDonald Hotel & Spa

Evaluated with five stars, the MacDonald Hotel has a modern and luxurious accommodation that provides the customer spaces for work rest and play.



Address/telephone: London Road Manchester, M1 2PG.

Tel.: 0344 879 9088 **International:** +44 1612 723200

For more information visit: <http://www.macdonaldhotels.co.uk/our-hotels/macdonald-manchester-hotel-spa/>

Fees:

- Classic Rooms: One room for two adults - **per night - £100**

Includes:



- *Media connection socket*
- *Docking station*
- *Free Wi-Fi Powered by The Cloud*
- *Iron & board*
- *Safety deposit box*
- *Hairdryer*
- *Tea and coffee facilities*
- *Flat screen TV with Freeview*
- *Workstation*
- *Media connection*

- Executive Bedroom: Single Occupancy per room - **per night - £120**

Includes:



- *King Sized Hypnos Bed*
- *Three foot duck, feather & down pillows*
- *Micro fibre comforter for enhanced comfort*
- *Luxuriously fluffy premium Richard Howarth duvet*
- *Luxury toiletries*
- *Clipper tea selection*
- *Nespresso coffee making machine*
- *Fluffy bathrobes & slippers*
- *Flat screen TV with Freeview*
- *Hairdryer*
- *Iron & board*
- *Minibar*

Very Important Information:

For booking at the Macdonald Hotel, the guests will have to contact the hotel by:

- Email: general.manchester@macdonald-hotels.com.uk
- **Telephone:** 0344 879 9088 **Internacional:** +44 1612 723200

➤ **Promo code: 22953898.**

Please note that guests have to book their room **by the 29th September 2015.**

After this deadline, the code will no longer be valid.

Distances from/to Macdonald Hotel

From/to the **Manchester International Airport:**

- Distance: 15.13 km
- Estimated taxi fare*: £ 19.60.

From/to the **University of Manchester:**

- Distance: 1.72 km
- Estimated taxi fare*: £ 4.00.

From/to **Piccadilly Subway:**

- Distance: 1.7 km
- Estimated taxi fare*: £ 3.40.

*Remember that these are only **estimated** fares. Actual fares vary depending on hour, traffic, weather and other unforeseen conditions.

Source: www.worldtaximeter.com

Electricity

The voltage used in Manchester is 240v AC, 50Hz. The UK plugs are 3 square pins and differ to the rest of Europe's 2 round pins. Adapters are readily available for large supermarkets and smaller electrical shops. Therefore, you have to turn on a switch in order to use your electronics (note it beside the interrupter below).



Map

You can access or download the map of Greater Manchester in the link below:

<http://www.visitmanchester.com/media/19462/greatermanchester.pdf>

Telephone

England's country call code is '44', Manchester's landlines start with a '161' area code.

If you are in the UK you would call Manchester by dialling '0161' if you were out of the UK a Manchester number would start '0044 161'.

Emergency Services

In case of an emergency please call 999 (free call) from any phone. You can also call 112 for non-life threatening calls to report crimes. If you are unwell, or a member of your party is unwell, you can call 111 to speak to someone in the 'NHS direct' team, who can provide medical advice over the phone.

Smoking

Smoking is banned in all public places including all enclosed or partly enclosed public places. Smoking is not allowed on any public transport or taxi cabs.

Internet Access

There are numerous cafés around Manchester that offer access to the internet, as well as most accommodation providers. Access the Internet for free in the centre of Manchester (Free city Wi-Fi). You can find access points at: manchester.gov.uk/freebee.

Relevant Information: Manchester's free Wi-Fi network, 'freebee', provides 30 minutes' free Internet access in key city centre locations. You have **unlimited free access to the main touristic site of the city** (www.visitmanchester.com) as well as the following websites:

- Manchester Evening News (<http://www.manchestereveningnews.co.uk>)
- Transport for Greater Manchester (<http://www.tfgm.com/Pages/default.aspx>)

- Manchester City Council (<http://www.manchester.gov.uk/>)

After the initial free 30 minutes, you can either disconnect or opt to pay £3 for unlimited access over the next 24 hours.