

# PRE-CONFERENCE OF ICTO 2025



Organised event  
by Excelia Business School  
24-25 June 2025

## PROGRAM

Campus Exelia La Sole, 17 rue de la Sole  
LA ROCHELLE



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**THURSDAY JUNE 24, 2025**



Excelia La Sole Campus

## **9.30 – 10 a.m.: Introductions and Goal Setting (Plenary – Denis C Paidi)**

- Facilitators outline the workshop objectives and key takeaways.
- Icebreaker: Participants introduce their research interests and goals for the workshop.

## **10.00 – 10.30 a.m.: Introductions and Goal Setting (Plenary – Denis C Paidi)**

- Overview of CAIS (Denis).
- Overview of IS for Practice Department (Paidi).
- What we are looking for (Paidi)

## **10.30 – 11.00 a.m.: Networking Break**

## **11.00 – 11.45 a.m.: Framing/Structuring Practitioner Papers (Plenary – Denis C Paidi)**

- How to frame papers around impactful questions (Denis C Paidi).
- How to thread the paper together (Denis C Paidi).
- Reasons for Accepting Practitioner Papers (Paidi).

## **11.45 – 12.30 a.m.: Interactive Workshop: Writing a Paper Together Now! (Small Groups)**

- Template for getting started with practitioner writing.
- Harvesting the elements in an extended abstract.
- Calling out the what, why, how, and the wow.

## **12.30 – 14.00 p.m.: Lunch Break**

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## **14.00 - 15.30 p.m.: Interactive Workshop: Taking it to the next level! (Small Groups)**

- A minimum viable introduction to your paper.
- Presenting it to the group.

## **15.30 - 16.00 p.m.: Networking Break**

## **16.00 - 17.00 p.m.: Reflections on Engaging with Practitioners: Benefits, Challenges & Lessons Learned**

(Panel Discussion led by Dr. Daniel Rees, Director of Innovation Intensive Learning Academy, Swansea University & Dr. Roderick Thomas, Director of Innovation, Health Innovation South West, Exeter, UK)

- Panellists/Guest speakers share experiences on practitioner research collaborations.
- QCA session with attendees.

**WEDNESDAY JUNE 25, 2025**



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## **09.30 - 10.30 a.m.: Why an IS Perspective Matters (Plenary C Discussion)**

- Discussion on the role of IS in practice-oriented research.
- Examples of IS-driven contributions to practical research.
- Interactive QCA.

## **10.30 - 11.00 a.m.: Networking Break**

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## **11.00 - 12.30 a.m.: Making a Theoretical Contribution - Using the Gregor Theory Canvas**

- Hands-on workshop: Participants map their research onto the Gregor canvas.
- Peer feedback and refinement.

## **12.30 - 14.00 p.m.: Lunch Break**

## **14.00 - 15.30 p.m.: Roundtable Discussion G Paper Development (Small Groups)**

- Participants present their own research pitch and receive structured feedback.
- Development of personalized action plans for next steps.
- Small group exercise: Drafting a collaborative research paper outline.

## **15.30 - 16.00 p.m.: Networking Break**

## **16.00 - 17.00 p.m.: Finalising Action Plans G Closing Reflections (Plenary)**

- Participants refine their action plans based on feedback.
- Summary of key learnings and next steps for submitting to CAIS.

# GETTING TO EXCELIA

BY BUS



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Take ILLICO Line 3 and get off at bus stop La Sole

Main bus station  
(town centre):  
**Place de Verdun**

Historic Port bus stop  
(town centre):  
**Grosse Horloge**



Campus Excelia (La Sole)

**Bus stop: La Sole**

The ILLICO line 3 serves the university sector every 10 minutes from 5:30 am to 9:30 pm

In the evening, on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, these buses run in the Minimes area every 30 minutes from 10:15 pm to 1 am

For bus routes and timetables: [yelo.agglo-larochelle.fr/accueil](http://yelo.agglo-larochelle.fr/accueil)

Payment possible by credit card (Visa, Mastercard).



## SEA BUS

The Sea Bus provides a link between the Historic Port and the Minimes pleasure port.

Two boarding points:

- Historic Port (near the Tour de la Chaîne tower)
- Minimes pleasure port (between quai Lazaret and Ponton 10)

**Sea bus ticket: €3 one-way ticket**

For all transports in La Rochelle, you can download the **Yélo application** which will show you all the lines, timetables, bus stops and bike stations:

[FOR ANDROID](#)

[FOR IPHONE](#)

## SELF-SERVICE BIKE: HOW DOES IT WORK?



### 1 REGISTER

To use a Yélo self-service bike, there are 4 registration ways:

- Download the Freebike app, available on iPhone and Android, and create your account;
- Create your account on the Freebike website: [freebike.paryelo.fr](https://freebike.paryelo.fr) ;
- Go to one of the bike stations and use the touchscreen;
- Or go to the *Maison de la Mobilité, Place de Verdun* in La Rochelle.

Then select the desired formula (Fares: [yelo.scoop.airweb.fr](https://yelo.scoop.airweb.fr)).

### 2 RENT A BIKE

Once registered, 3 ways to pick up a bike:

- Use the Freebike app by Yélo, and scan the QR code of the desired bike;
- Log in via the station screen with your ID and PIN code;
- If you have a Yélo card, place it in front of the target to the right of the station screen.

**Remove the bike when the light flashes quickly and beeps.**

### 3 RETURN THE BIKE

Once your ride is over, hang up the bike back at a station (please do not press the station button).

A green light indicates that the bike is securely hang up.

A red light indicates that the bike is badly hang up, in this case please try again or contact the technical support on **+33 (0)6 09 46 00 60**.

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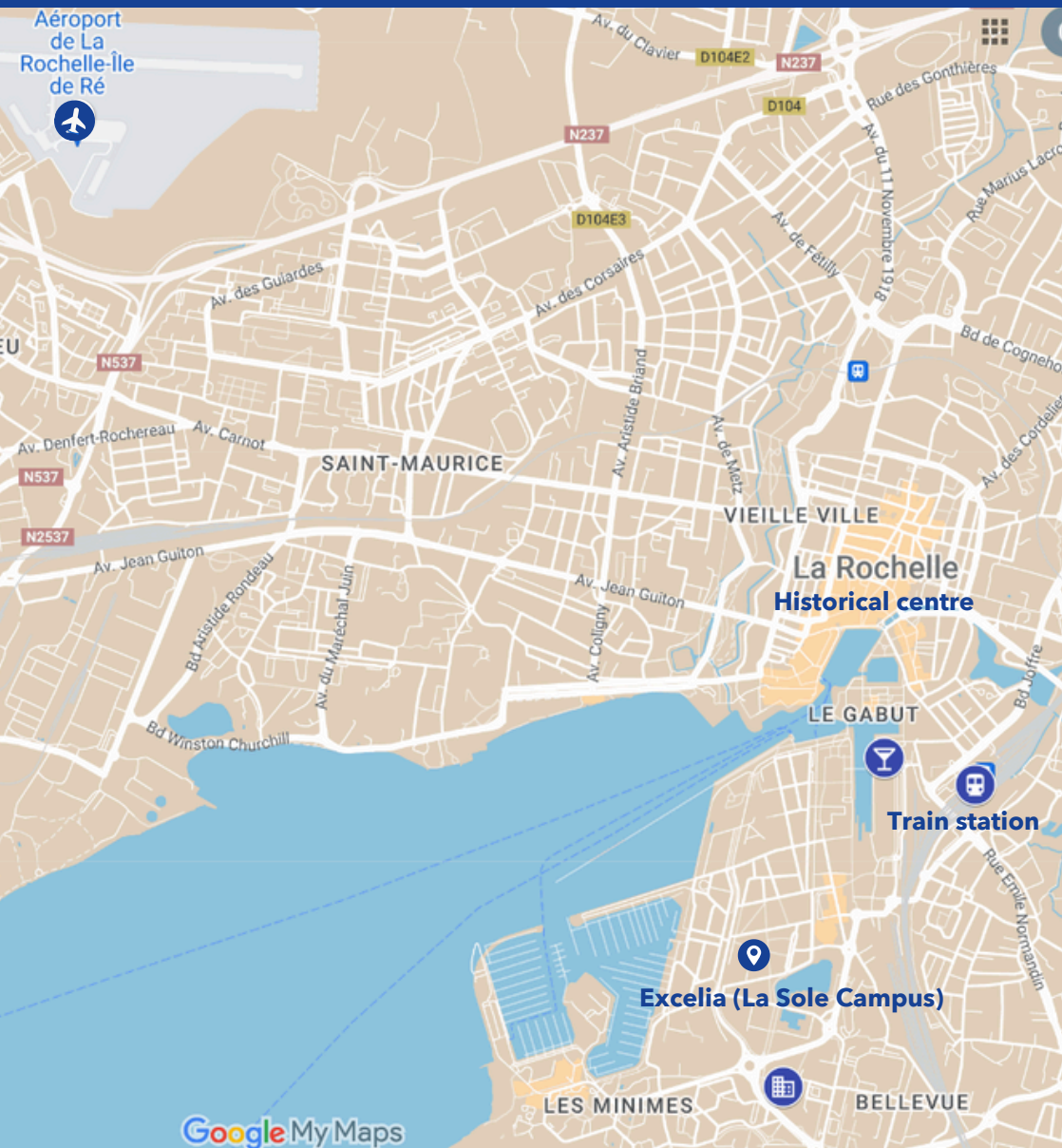
Occasional rental: €1 the first 30 minutes.

Beyond that, the use will be charged €1.50 per additional half hour.





# CITY MAP





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