

# OCEAN

Organisations for Collaboration & European Action Network

## OCEAN Network – Porto Launch Event

### Participant Infopack & Logistics Guide

Welcome to Porto! This guide contains all the essential information regarding your stay, accommodation booking, local transport, dining, and cultural highlights.

#### 1. Venue Location

- Porto Innovation Hub
- **Address:** Largo de Tito Fontes  
15, 4000-538 Porto, Portugal
- **Metro Station:** *Trindade*



The venue is centrally located, easily accessible by metro and walking distance from major city highlights.

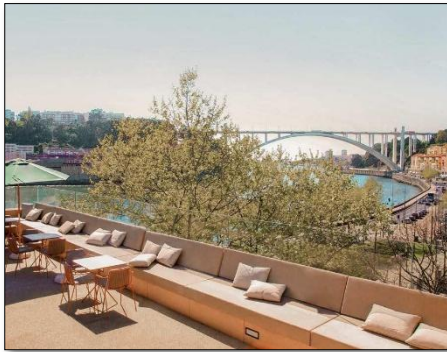
#### 2. Accommodation & Booking Step-by-Step

We have partnered with the **Vincci Hoteles group** to offer exclusive discounted rates across three distinct hotel experiences in the city. The **15% promotional discount** is highly flexible and valid for stays **between 15 and 20 July**, allowing you to extend your visit and explore Porto at your own pace.

## Our Partner Hotel Options:

**Vincci Bonjardim (4\*)** – *Located in downtown Porto, closest to the event venue.*

[R. do Bonjardim 567, 4000-126 Porto](#)

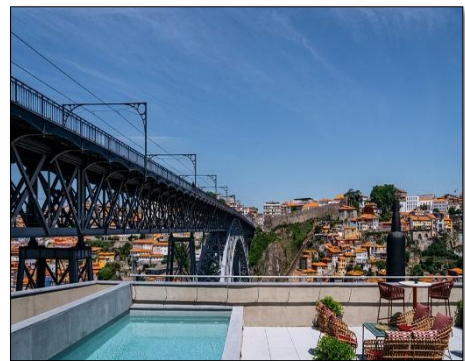


**Vincci Porto (4\*)** – *A beautifully refurbished historic building situated along the scenic riverfront.*

[Alameda de Basílio Teles 29, 4150-127 Porto](#)

**Vincci Ponte de Ferro (4\*)** – *Perched next to the iconic Dom Luís I Bridge, offering breathtaking panoramic views of the Porto skyline.*

[R. do Casino da Ponte 11th floor, 4430-999 Vila Nova de Gaia](#)



### Step-by-Step Booking Process:

1. Click directly on the exclusive OCEAN Network booking link: [Vincci Hoteles – OCEAN26 Booking](#).
2. The promotional code **OCEAN26** is already embedded in this link and will automatically apply your special network discount.
3. Select your desired Vincci hotel from the three options provided.
4. Choose your travel dates (the promotional rate is valid for any dates **between 15 and 20 July**).
5. Select your room preference, enter your guest details, and complete the secure booking form to receive your instant confirmation email.

### Alternative Hotel Recommendations (Near Porto Innovation Hub)

If you prefer alternative options, both hotels below are within a **5 to 7-minute walk** from the venue:

**YOTEL Porto** (Address: [R. de Gonçalo Cristóvão 206 216, 4000-265 Porto](#))

*A modern, tech-forward hotel right around the corner from the venue. Features automated check-in, compact smart rooms, and excellent Wi-Fi.*



Hotel Dom Henrique – Downtown (Address: [R. do Bolhão 223, 4000-112 Porto](#))



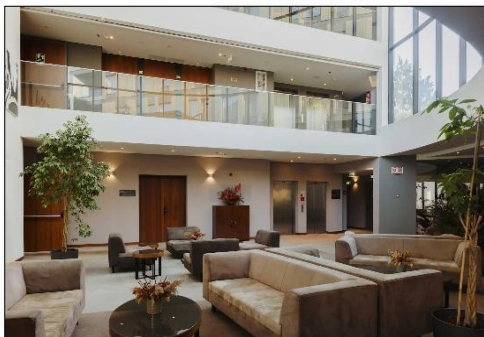
*A classic and comfortable 4-star hotel offering panoramic views of the city from its rooftop bar, located just a short walk from Largo Tito Fontes.*

Ibis Porto Centro Mercado do Bolhão (Address: [R. de Sá da Bandeira 567 Rnet 9272, 4000-437 Porto](#))

*A classic and comfortable 4-star hotel offering panoramic views of the city from its rooftop bar, located just a short walk from Largo Tito Fontes.*



Timbre Heroísmo (Address: [Rua do Heroísmo 235, 4300-259 Porto](#))



*A stylish and highly-rated 4-star boutique hotel featuring contemporary design and a relaxing atmosphere, situated in a quiet historic district with excellent metro connections to downtown.*



**Acta The Avenue** (Address: [Av. de Fernão de Magalhães 188, 4300-188 Porto](#))

*A sophisticated 4-star hotel offering elegant, spacious rooms and a beautiful rooftop terrace with stunning views, perfectly combining modern comfort with great access to the city centre.*



**Artcore Hotel Porto** (Address: [R. do Duque da Terceira 388, 4000-534 Porto](#))



*An artistic and creatively designed 4-star boutique hotel tucked away in a charming neighborhood, ideal for guests seeking an authentic, inspiring, and comfortable local stay.*

**The Editory Artist Baixa Porto Hotel** (Address: [R. da Firmeza 49, 4000-228 Porto](#))

*A premium and concept-driven 4-star hotel set in a historic arts school building, known for its creative ambiance, vintage-inspired decor, and outstanding tailored service in downtown Porto.*



### 3. Airport Transportation Guide

Porto Airport (Francisco Sá Carneiro Airport – OPO) is located about 11 km north of the city centre. Getting to the hotels and venue is straightforward:

#### By Metro (Recommended & Most Sustainable)

- **Line:** Line E (Violet Line) running towards *Trindade*.
- **Where to buy tickets:** At the yellow vending machines inside the airport station before boarding.
- **Ticket Type:** You need a **Z4 (Zone 4) ticket**. The single fare is €2.15 (+ €0.60 for the reusable *Andante* card, which you can reload later).
- **Where to get off:** Get off at **Trindade Station**. This is the main metro hub and is a **3-minute walk** from the Porto Innovation Hub and the recommended hotels.
- **Duration:** Approximately 30 minutes.



### By Taxi / Ridesharing (Uber, Bolt)

- **Location:** Follow the airport signs to the designated Taxi rank outside the arrivals terminal or use the app pick-up zone (usually located in the airport parking lot).
- **Cost:** Around €15 to €25 depending on traffic and luggage.
- **Duration:** 20–30 minutes.



#### 4. Dining Suggestions (Lunch & Dinner)

##### Near Porto Innovation Hub & Trindade (Venue/Hotels)

##### Café Santiago ([R. de Passos Manuel 226, 4000-382 Porto](#))

- *Type:* Traditional Portuguese / Casual
- *Best for:* Lunch. Famous for serving one of the absolute best *Francesinhas* (Porto's iconic signature sandwich) in the city.

##### Antunes ([R. do Bonjardim 614, 4000-124 Porto](#))

- *Type:* Traditional Portuguese Tavern
- *Best for:* Lunch or Dinner. A local favorite known for hearty, authentic Portuguese dishes, especially their famous roasted pork knuckle (*pernil*).

##### O Buraco ([R. do Bolhão 95, 4000-112 Porto](#))

- *Type:* Traditional Portuguese / Cozy
- *Best for:* Lunch. A fantastic restaurant serving authentic, home-style local dishes in a welcoming atmosphere.

##### A Brasileira ([R. de Sá da Bandeira 75, 4000-380 Porto](#))

- *Type:* Historic / Portuguese & International
- *Best for:* Dinner. A beautifully historic space offering an elegant menu that mixes local heritage with international styles.

**Restaurante Abadia do Porto** ([R. do Ateneu Comercial do Porto 22, 4000-380 Porto](#))

- **Type:** Traditional Portuguese / Classic
- **Best for:** Lunch or Dinner. A historic and spacious restaurant famous for its traditional northern Portuguese comfort food, excellent roasted meats, and codfish dishes.

**City Centre / Historic Area**

**Cantina 32** ([R. das Flores 32, 4050-262 Porto](#))

- **Type:** Modern Portuguese / Tapas style
- **Best for:** Dinner. Located on one of Porto's prettiest streets, it offers an incredible trendy atmosphere with creative twists on traditional Portuguese snacks (*petiscos*). *Booking in advance is highly recommended.*

**Brasão Aliados** ([R. de Ramalho Ortigão 28, 4000-407 Porto](#))

- **Type:** Cervejaria / Comfort Food
- **Best for:** Dinner. Excellent craft beers, fantastic rissoles, and a premium take on local dishes in a beautiful, rustic-modern rustic space.

**Casa Guedes Rooftop** ([Praça dos Poveiros 76 80, 4000-393 Porto](#))

- **Type:** Traditional Portuguese / Vibrant Modern

- Best for: Lunch or Dinner. Renowned for its iconic roasted pork sandwiches with soft Serra da Estrela cheese (Sande de Pernil) on a lively rooftop.

**A Tasquinha** ([R. do Carmo 23, 4050-164 Porto](#))

- Type: Traditional Portuguese / Rustic
- Best for: Lunch or Dinner. A charming, typical cozy tavern located near the Clérigos area, known for its regional dishes and great value daily menus.

**Sancho Panza** ([Av. de Ramos Pinto 250, 4400-261 Vila Nova de Gaia](#))

- Type: Traditional Portuguese / Tapas & Steaks
- Best for: Dinner. Located on the Gaia side, it offers a great atmosphere for sharing traditional Portuguese petiscos, sangria, and grilled meats.

**Ar de Rio** ([Av. de Diogo Leite 5, 4400-111 Vila Nova de Gaia](#))

- Type: Modern Mediterranean / Riverside Bar & Grill
- Best for: Lunch or Dinner. Set in a striking glass-and-steel pavilion right on the Gaia riverbank, offering light meals, drinks, and a stunning view of the Douro River and Porto.

**17º Restaurante Bar** ([R. do Bolhão 223, 4000-112 Porto](#))

- Type: Modern International & Portuguese / Rooftop
- Best for: Dinner or Cocktails. Located on the top floor of the Hotel Dom Henrique Downtown, providing a sophisticated dining experience with a breathtaking panoramic view of the city skyline.

Portucale ([Rua da Alegria 598, 4000-037 Porto](#))

- Type: Fine Dining / Classic Portuguese
- Best for: Dinner. An iconic, elegant restaurant located on the 13th floor, renowned for its old-school silver service, high-end traditional cuisine, and 360-degree views over Porto.

## 5. Quick Cultural Itinerary: Porto's Historic Highlights

If you have a few hours to explore, these iconic spots are easily reachable on foot from the venue:

### Avenida dos Aliados & City Hall

*The grand central avenue of Porto, lined with imposing Art Deco and Art Nouveau buildings, culminating in the monumental Marble City Hall.*



### Clérigos Church and Tower (Torre dos Clérigos)



*An 18th-century Baroque masterpiece. You can climb its 225 steps for the most striking, 360-degree panoramic view over the red-tiled roofs of the entire city.*

## Livraria Lello

*Frequently named among the most beautiful bookstores in the world, famous for its stunning neo-gothic facade, intricate crimson staircase, and stained-glass ceiling.*



## São Bento Train Station



*Even if you aren't catching a train, step inside the main atrium to admire the breathtaking walls covered in over 20,000 blue and white ceramic tiles (azulejos) depicting historic Portuguese*

*battles and the history of transport.*

## Dom Luís, I Bridge & Ribeira District

*Walk down to the riverside (Ribeira), a UNESCO World Heritage site filled with colourful, narrow houses. Cross the iconic double-deck iron bridge, designed by a disciple of Gustave*



*Eiffel, to enjoy the views over the Douro River and the Port Wine cellars.*



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