The environment

Founded in 1881, the Oceanographic Observatory of Banyuls/Mer, better known as the “Laboratoire Arago”, is a research centre part of the Université Pierre et Marie Curie (UPMC) and the CNRS. The five missions of the marine station are: Teaching, Research, Monitoring of the coastal environment, Hosting and Outreach activities.

Located on the rocky coastline of the Languedoc-Roussillon region, close to a Marine Protected Area and a Marine Nature Reserve, the Observatory provides access to a broad diversity of habitats, fauna and flora living in both the marine and terrestrial ecosystems.

Biodiversarium

During your stay in Banyuls/Mer, you will have an opportunity to discover the Biodiversarium, an important outreach centre combining a public Aquarium and a Mediterranean garden. These two sites will allow you to discover the exceptional biodiversity found in this area from the Pyrenees Mountains to the deep submarine canyons.

Information & reservations

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Meeting rooms
At the heart of the marine research station, discover various rooms for hosting all your professional events such as meetings, seminars, conferences and trainings.

Guest accommodation
Enjoy the unique surroundings of Banyuls/Mer for your receptions. You will be warmly welcomed by our staff in the new architecturally designed Accommodation Centre.

Catering
From breakfast to dinner, our staff will welcome you in a large luminous dining room facing the sea where you can enjoy the southern French cuisine.

In addition
- Free wifi
- Screens
- Video projectors
- Flip-charts
- Cordless Microphones

74 bedrooms with a great view of the sea or the mountains
Private sanitary facilities with WC, shower and sink
Air-conditioning
Access for people with disabilities

Bonuses
- Free wifi
- Laundry room
- Clothes drying area
- Luggage room
- Private car park

Air-conditioning
Breakfast buffet
Coffee breaks with mini-Viennese pastries
Lunches and dinners for meetings and gala receptions
Buffet dinners and wine tasting

1 lecture theatre (120 seats)
1 conference room (35 seats)
2 videoconference rooms (19 seats)
2 meeting rooms (19 seats)
1 computer room (15 seats)
3 teaching laboratories (25 seats per room)
4 guest offices