



RELOCATION BROCHURE I2CAT





WELCOME TO BARCELONA!



BARCELONA, A COSMOPOLITAN CITY

Barcelona is located between the sea and the mountains and has found a wonderful balance between tradition / history and a contemporary lifestyle. Open to different cultures and customs, Barcelona is also home for a wide variety of people from overseas.

CRADDE OF SCIENCE & RESEARCH IN SPAIN

The promotion of research in Catalonia is based on boosting competitiveness to promote economic growth, progress and social welfare. A wide variety of research centers, policies for attracting and retaining talent, large research infrastructures and great political and institutional consensus make it possible to provide the research system in Catalonia with a robust stability.



*It is time to discover what is to live
here!*

ABOUT I2CAT...



WHO WE ARE

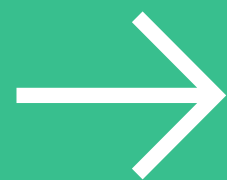
The i2CAT Foundation is a non-profit research and innovation center that promotes mission-driven R&D activities on advanced Internet architectures, applications, and services. More than 15 years of international research define our expertise in the fields of 5G, IoT, VR, and Immersive Technologies, Cybersecurity, Blockchain, AI, and Digital Social Innovation. The center partners with companies, public administration, academia, and end-users to leverage this knowledge in order to meet real social and business challenges.

The greatest value of i2CAT is the talent of the people who make up our human team. We enjoy a team of people from more than 13 different nationalities and work every day to create and foster a work environment where we all feel comfortable creating, innovating and growing.

WHAT WE DO

i2CAT has a wide experience in multiple national and European R+D+i projects, leading research lines in 5G and 6G, IoT, VR and Immersive Technologies, Cybersecurity, Blockchain, Open Big Data and Artificial Intelligence.





More info:

<https://www.tmb.cat/en/home>

HOW DO I GET TO i2CAT?



The easiest way to get to i2CAT Foundation from anywhere in the city is to take the metro L3 or L9S to the last stop, called “Zona Universitària”.



The average price of private transportation from the city center to i2CAT range between 12-18€. Another operative mobile applications to request a car: A) Cabify B) Free Now.



Depending on the area you are staying in Barcelona, you can also take the bus lines V1, H4, H6, 7, 33, 67, 113 or 175.

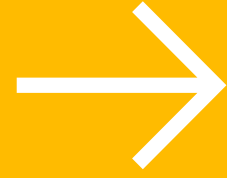


If you are foreseeing to use your own means to get to i2CAT regularly, you can also ask for a parking place to be assigned to you.



Whether your choice is to get to i2CAT by tram, the lines T1, T2 and T3 are your best allies. These lines cover a 6km route linking Barcelona, l'Hospitalet and other neighboring municipalities.

ACCOMMODATION



We are located in the upper left corner, which is known as the University Zone (Zona Universitaria) due to the number of university faculties that are around.

The areas or neighborhoods that would be around Zona Universitaria are:

- Les Corts
- Sarrià Sant-Gervasi
- Sants

The first two neighborhoods that we indicate to you are neighborhoods considered as "good or upper-middle class".

If you want a good connection by public transport with i2CAT, we would recommend that the neighborhood have a nearby metro connection with the green line (L3), which is the metro that we have very close to the office. In this way you would only have to take a subway and you would not be doing transfers.

Examples of other neighborhoods would be:

- Gracia
- Vallcarca
- Eixample (right or left)
- Sants

Which neighborhoods of Barcelona we would avoid and why:

- Raval (very central but crowded with tourists. Very small alleys. Noisy nights)
- Gotico (very central but crowded with tourists. Very small alleys. Noisy nights)
- Sant Adrià del Besos and la Mina (they are totally on the opposite side from where our offices are)





WHICH DOCUMENTS DO I NEED TO RENT AN APARTAMENT?

Generally the property owners are the ones to choose the tenant based on their interests and specific conditions. It is a must for you to show your contract at i2CAT or a work certificate to prove you have the adequate funds to meet the rental payment requirements plus your ID card (DNI / TIE / Passport). If you are coming from abroad, it is also recommended to show your work and resident permit resolution or TIE card to prove that you are within the legal immigration framework in Spain.



WHAT IS THE CONTRACT PERIOD?

The period of the rental contract can range from 1 year and it can be increased to a maximum of 5 years. Regardless of the duration agreed by the parties in the rental contract, as a tenenant you will have the right to have the contract extended for up to five years. You can also terminate the contract voluntarily without being fined after the first 6 months of the rental period have passed.

Renting a property

WHY IS IT A RENT GUARANTEE NECESSARY?

A rent guarantee requires the tenant to deposit generally 2 months worth of the rent in a separate account for a better reassurance of the owner in the event the tenant fails to meet the rental payment obligations or the property gets damaged. The full amount of the deposit is reimbursed upon termination of the contract. In the event you are renting a property by using the services of an external agency, the real state commission charged is often around the 10% of the annual rent + 21% VAT.



WHAT ABOUT THE UTILITIES?

It is important to state in the rental contract which party will be in charge of connecting water, electricity, and gas utilities. In the event the contract does not include the installation of the utilities, you will have to contract the services on your own by calling to the company directly and asking for it.

If utilities are not connected, it can take up to 1 week until they are set up. The cost to set up a utility is around 80€ - 130€ each.



Renting a room

WHAT ABOUT THE CONTRACT WHEN RENTING A ROOM?

You can else have a formal contract or either not when renting a room. Oddly enough, it is possible to rent a room in Barcelona without any contract-related formality, by directly managing the room for rent with the rest of the tenants / property owner. Yet this practice is not broadly recommended since you can eventually be scammed.

Broadly speaking, if your final choice is to rent a room, you better try to get a rental agreement for greater assurance. The duration of the contract may vary depending on the interests of the tenants / owner and utilities are often already set up.

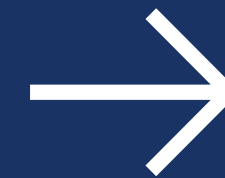
WHICH DOCUMENTS DO I NEED TO RENT A ROOM?

Whether your preference is to rent a room for your own in a shared apartment, the documents to be delivered with your application may vary depending on the owner. Prices may also swing depending on the location, the services included, and the features of the room, among others.

In general terms, you will be asked to provide your ID card (DNI / TIE / Passport) plus your labor contract, in order to verify that you are financially solvent.



How can I find a property / room to rent?



USEFUL LINKS

HABITACLIA: <https://www.habitaclia.com/>

IDEALISTA: <https://www.idealista.com/>

FOTOCASA: <https://www.fotocasa.es/es/>

BADI: <https://badi.com/>

DON PISO: <https://www.donpiso.com/>

YA ENCONTRE: <https://www.yaencontre.com/>

*Standar prices for a room range from 350 - 500€ (without bills).

*Standar prices for an apartment range from 800€ - 1.100€ (without bills).



WHY CHOOSE A RESIDENCE?

This is a highly recommended service as it has a great deal of experience in locating rooms, apartments and flats for visitors. It is primarily targeted towards students, but also welcomes short-term visitors, collaborators, and staff assigned to Universities.

This can be a great deal to first establish in Barcelona meanwhile you look for long-term accommodation at your arrival.

Short-term residences

CONTACT DETAILS

Livensa Living Barcelona Diagonal Alto

Carrer Sant Mateu 9, 08950 Esplugues de Llobregat, Barcelona

www.livensaliving.com

living@livensaliving.com

**Whether you need further information, you can ask for the commercial brochure to our P&T Team.*





CONTACT DETAILS

RESA Residencias de Estudiantes en España

Barcelona, several locations:

<https://www.resa.es/es/ciudad/barcelona/>



CONTACT DETAILS

Residencia ONIX

Student Accommodation in Barcelona

Calle Sardenya 101, 08013 Barcelona

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Residencia Aleu

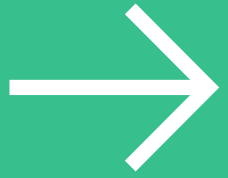
Carrer de Pau Gargallo, 30 08028 Barcelona

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WHAT ABOUT AIRBNB?

If you are struggling with finding long-term accommodation, our recommendation is to consider AirBnb as a starting point to settle in Barcelona, at least, for the first month. By doing so, you will also be able to visit on-site and by yourself long-term rooms, apartments, or residences.

Although it may be more expensive than the choices explained before, this can be a nice start for you to look after a good deal once in Barcelona.



<https://www.airbnb.es/>

AirBnb as an alternative choice



L'Hospitalet de Llobregat
https://www.l-h.cat/inici_2.aspx



IF BARCELONA IS NOT YOUR
FINAL CHOICE TO SETTLE IN...

Surrounding municipalities to Barcelona



Sant Just Desvern
<https://santjust.cat/>



Esplugues de Llobregat
<https://www.esplugues.cat>

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