Atlanta is a large, international, vibrant city. It is comprised of many in-town neighborhoods each with unique personalities and attractions. There are some venues downtown near the conference center, but to truly experience Atlanta, please use public transportation or Uber to visit some of the nearby areas.

For general information on Atlanta attractions: [http://www.atlanta.net/](http://www.atlanta.net/)

For restaurants near the conference hotel (265 Peachtree Center Ave NE, Atlanta, GA 30303), see this map: [http://www.atlantadowntown.com/_files/docs/cap-restaurant-walking-map-2015-final.pdf](http://www.atlantadowntown.com/_files/docs/cap-restaurant-walking-map-2015-final.pdf)  
[http://www.atlanta.net/dining/downtown-restaurants/](http://www.atlanta.net/dining/downtown-restaurants/)

- **Restaurants that are within walking distance** (< 1.0 mile from conference):
  - **Lunch options:**
    - Corner Bakery Café (Bakeries/Sandwiches; $)
    - Firehouse Subs (American; $)
    - Aviva by Kameel (Mediterranean; $$)
    - Gibney’s Pub (American/Pub; $$)
    - Gus’s World Famous Fried Chicken (American; $$)
    - Sway (Southern; $$)
  - **Dinner options:**
    - Alma Cocina (Latin American; $$)
    - Hard Rock Café Atlanta (American; $$)
    - Max Lager’s Grill & Brewery (American/Brewery; $$)
    - Pacific Rim Bistro (Sushi/Asian Fusion; $$)
    - Pittypat’s Porch (Southern; $$)
    - Polaris (American; $$)
    - Poor Calvin’s (Asian Fusion; $$)
    - Fandangles (Steakhouse; $$$)
    - White Oak Kitchen & Cocktails (American; $$$)
    - Morton’s Steakhouse ($$$$)

- **Restaurants a little farther** (~1.5 miles from conference; short Uber ride):
  - Ammazza (Italian; $$; a very good local pizza place with plenty of beers and cocktails)
• The Corner Tavern (Southern; $$; has a fun pool table/darts area upstairs)
• Krog Street Market (market food court; $$; lots of great restaurants and bars)
• Ladybird (American; $$; known for their cocktails)

Activities by Neighborhood

Downtown (near the conference hotel):

• **Sky View Atlanta**: Ferris Wheel in Downtown Atlanta; 20 stories above
  Centennial Olympic Park
  168 Luckie Street NW, Atlanta, GA

• **Georgia Aquarium**: The largest aquarium in the Western hemisphere.
  225 Baker St NW, Atlanta, GA 30313; (404) 581-4000

• **World of Coke**: A museum on the history of Coca Cola where you can also
  sample over 100 Coca Cola beverages.
  121 Baker St NW, Atlanta, GA 30313; (404) 676-5151
  [https://www.worldofcoca-cola.com/](https://www.worldofcoca-cola.com/)

• **CNN Center**: A behind-the-scenes tour of the global headquarters of CNN.
  190 Marietta St, Atlanta, GA 30303; (404) 827-2300

• **Civil Rights Museum**: An engaging cultural attraction that connects the American
  Civil Rights Movement to today's Global Human Rights Movements.
  100 Ivan Allen Jr. Blvd.
  [https://www.civilandhumanrights.org/](https://www.civilandhumanrights.org/)

• **Centennial Olympic Park**: A 21-acre park in downtown Atlanta, which was built
  for the 1996 Summer Olympics. The park is often host to outdoor concerts and
  other events.
  265 Park Ave W NW, Atlanta, GA 30313; (404) 223-4412

Midtown (north of the conference center):

• **Piedmont Park**: A 189-acre park with walking trails and open green spaces. The
  Green Market (farmer's market) is held on Saturdays from 9 a.m.–1 p.m. at the
  12th Street and Piedmont Avenue NE park entrance.
  1342 Worchester Dr NE, Atlanta, GA 30306; (404) 875-7275

• **Atlanta Botanical Garden**: A 30-acre botanical garden near Piedmont Park.
  1345 Piedmont Ave NE, Atlanta, GA 30309; (404) 876-5859
• **Atlantic Station**: Shopping, dining, and entertainment in Midtown Atlanta. 
  1380 Atlantic Dr Ste 14250, Atlanta, GA 30363; (404) 733-1221

• **High Museum of Art**: “The leading art museum in the Southeast.”
  1280 Peachtree St NE, Atlanta, GA 30309; (404) 733-4400
  [https://www.high.org/](https://www.high.org/)

**Other sights around Atlanta:**

• **The King Center/The Martin Luther King Jr. National Historic Site**: A national historical site dedicated to the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
  449 Auburn Ave NE, Atlanta, GA 30312; (404) 526-8900

• **Fernbank Science Center**: A science museum with exhibits, an observatory, a planetarium, and outdoor gardens.
  156 Heaton Park Dr, Atlanta, GA 30307; (678) 874-7102
  [http://www.fernbank.edu/](http://www.fernbank.edu/)

• **Zoo Atlanta**: One of four zoos in the USA that is home to giant pandas.
  800 Cherokee Ave SE, Atlanta, GA 30315; (404) 624-5600

• **The Carter Center**: A nongovernmental, not-for-profit organization founded by President Jimmy Carter and his wife Rosalynn Carter to advance human rights and alleviate human suffering. There is a museum and beautiful grounds.
  453 Freedom Pkwy NE, Atlanta, GA 30307
  [www.cartercenter.org](http://www.cartercenter.org)

• **Turner Field**: Home of the Atlanta Braves.
  755 Hank Aaron Dr SE, Atlanta, GA 30315; (404) 522-7630

• **Atlanta Beltline**: A former railway corridor that has been converted to a walking trails that run through the city of Atlanta. There is art and restaurants along the walkway.
  [http://beltline.org](http://beltline.org)

• **Lenox Square Mall and Phipps Plaza**: Upscale enclosed shopping malls 3393 Peachtree Rd, Atlanta, GA 30326 and the intersection of Peachtree Rd and Lenox Rd; (404) 233-6767 and (404) 261-7110.
Other neighborhoods to explore:

- **Inman Park**: Fun, walkable neighborhood with lots of restaurants, local coffee shops, and unique boutiques
  
  http://inmanpark.org/
  - Fritti Pizza (http://urestaurants.com/): Neopolitan Pizza
  - Barcelona Wine Bar & Restaurant (http://www.barcelonawinebar.com/atlanta.htm)

- **Virginia Highlands**: Independent shops to explore, local coffee shops and breweries
  
  http://virginiahhighland.com/
  - Hand-in-Hand (www.handinhandatl.com/): Large patio area outside
  - Highland Tap (http://www.nightcapfoodandspirits.com/): Underground bar

- **Little Five Points**: Independent shops, galleries, restaurants, and performance venues.
  
  http://littlefivepoints.net/
  - The Porter (www.theporterbeerbar.com/): Great beer selection
  - Front Page News (www.frontpagewarner.com/): Specializes in New Orleans-style cuisine

- **East Atlanta**: Independent shops, bars, restaurants, small music venues.
  
  http://www.atlanta.net/explore/neighborhoods/eastside/east-atlanta-village/
  - 539 EAV (http://www.529atl.com/). Bar and music venue.

- **Decatur**: Small shops, restaurants, and bars in a historic downtown, easily accessible from MARTA.
  
  http://www.visitdecaturgeorgia.com/
  - Brick Store (http://www.brickstorepub.com/). Pub with many microbrews on tap and good food.
  - Twain’s (http://www.twains.net/). Bar and restaurant with pool tables, shuffleboard tables, darts, homebrew, and good food.

- **Buckhead**: Upscale shopping and restaurants.
  
  http://www.atlanta.net/buckhead/

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**Public Transportation**

MARTA has several stops along two main lines throughout the city: http://www.itsmarta.com/

- Fares: single trip $2.50; round trip $5.00
- Closest stops to conference hotel:
  - Peachtree Center Station (gold and red lines)—4 blocks north
  - Civic Center Station (gold and red lines)—3 blocks south
Map of Conference Area (Atlanta Marriott Marquis is flagged)