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# 16<sup>th</sup> Session of TF-FADS

13-14 June 2024

VCA Bristol

Practical Information

13<sup>th</sup> June: 09:30 - 17:00 BST (10:30 - 18:00 CEST)

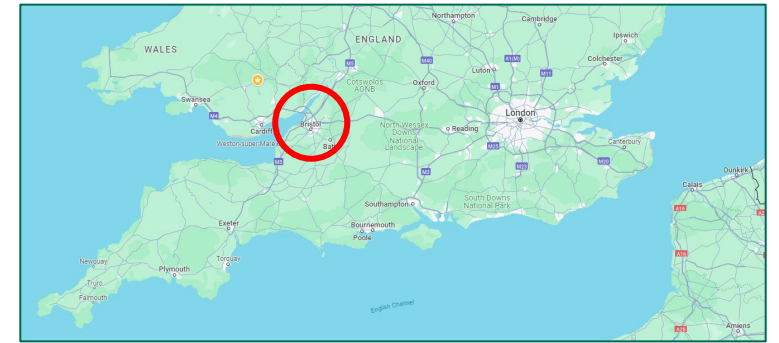
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[Teams Link](#) (both days)

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# Getting to Bristol



## ▶ Air travel:

- ▶ Direct flights are available from many European cities to [Bristol International Airport \(BRS\)](#)
- ▶ Connections from long-haul destinations to BRS are also available on some airlines (e.g. KLM, Swiss)
- ▶ Regular [buses](#) connect the airport to the city centre; taxis and car rental are also available
- ▶ If arriving at London Heathrow Airport (LHR), public transport to Bristol is available by train ([Elizabeth Line or Piccadilly Line](#), then connect onto [national rail](#)) or by bus (National Express or Megabus)
- ▶ A rental car can be the easiest way to get from Heathrow to Bristol

## ▶ By train:

- ▶ Bristol has two main stations – ‘Bristol Parkway’ and ‘Bristol Temple Meads’
- ▶ Both stations are served by [trains from London Paddington](#) (different train to each station)
- ▶ Bristol Temple Meads is more convenient for access to the city centre
- ▶ A taxi is the best way to get from either station directly to VCA

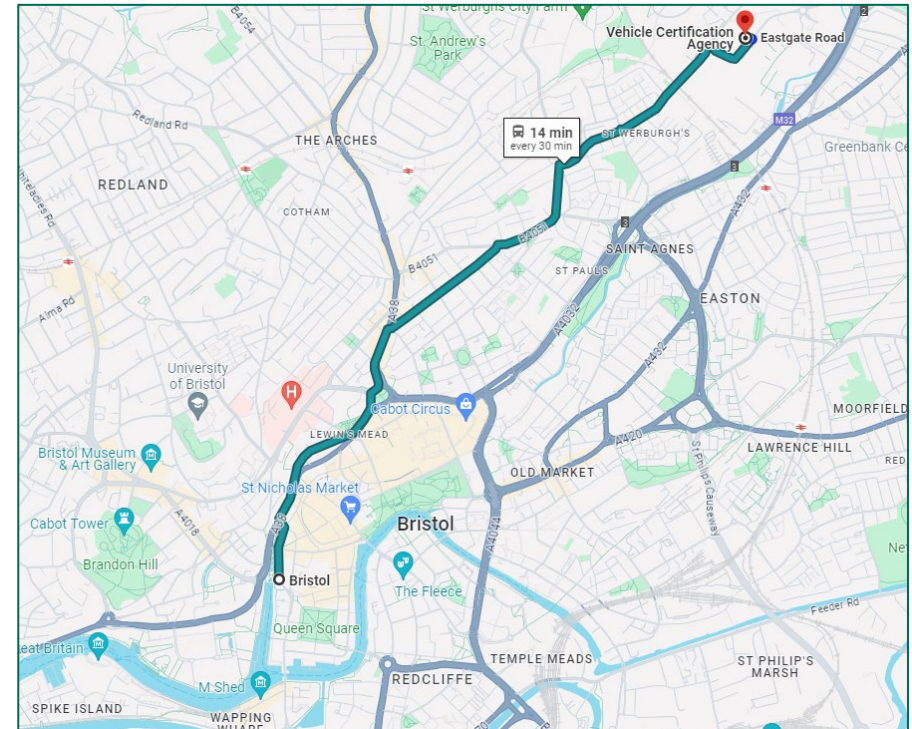


# Getting to VCA



- ▶ VCA location:
  - ▶ Address: Eastgate Office Centre, Eastgate Road, Bristol, BS5 6XX
  - ▶ <https://maps.app.goo.gl/dykVBcm5CFJm6zVXA>
  - ▶ <https://www.vehicle-certification-agency.gov.uk/contact-us/united-kingdom/bristol-how-to-find-us/>
  - ▶ VCA is the first building on the right through the red gates

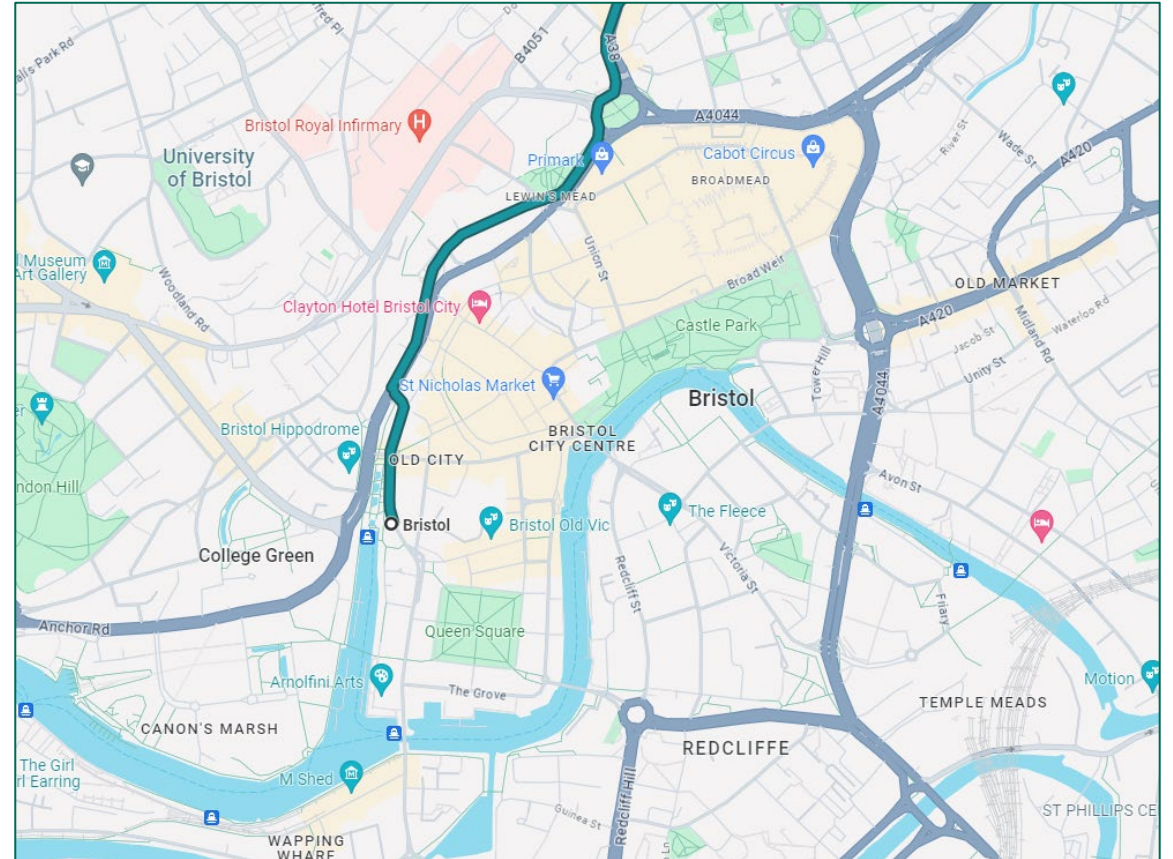
- ▶ From the city centre, it is easiest to get to VCA by taxi or bus
- ▶ The number 25 bus goes from the city centre and stops directly outside VCA (“Eastgate Road” stop), as shown →
- ▶ Buses in Bristol accept both cash and contactless card payments (Visa / Mastercard) - tap your card when getting on the bus, tap again when getting off
- ▶ Taxis also accept both cash and card payments, but we advise asking the driver before starting your journey to make sure
- ▶ Various ride-hailing apps (e.g. Uber) can be used in Bristol





# Where to stay

- ▶ Closest hotels to VCA (30-minute walk) are:
  - ▶ [Moxy](#)
  - ▶ [Future Inn](#)
- ▶ However, recommended location to stay is in the Old City / harbour area
- ▶ Bus 25 starts as shown on this map and stops frequently along the route shown
- ▶ There are many hotels in this area to suit all budgets:
  - ▶ Radisson Blu
  - ▶ Marriott
  - ▶ The Bristol Hotel
  - ▶ ibis
  - ▶ Premier Inn
  - ▶ Travelodge





## Connection details

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# Contacts

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- ▶ For advice on travel arrangements, please contact:
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- ▶ If you are joining the meeting in-person, please register your attendance with:
  - ▶ [Matt.Claydon@vca.gov.uk](mailto:Matt.Claydon@vca.gov.uk)



# Sightseeing

- ▶ If you have time to stay in Bristol, popular places to visit include:



[Clifton Suspension Bridge](#) and nearby [Clifton Observatory & Giant's Cave](#)



[Bristol Harbour](#)



Concorde at [Aerospace Bristol](#)



[Cabot Tower](#)