
Subject: Re: Pavia

From: Thoen, Brad (Brad.Thoen@mts.com)

To: rodlarson100@yahoo.com;

Date: Saturday, January 5, 2013 8:23 AM

Rod,

Yes, my phone accepts text messages. My cell number is: 952-448-2004.

Really, if you want to sleep once you get in, don't feel obligated to pick me up. If you do pick me up, don't worry about delay--- I'll just hang out until you arrive--- I need to buy some Toscano cigars anyway.

Looking forward to trying Ravel. I'll buy you dinner!

Monday I'll start the BTS mods in earnest. As I said in an earlier email, I'll just do the minimum for now. We'll discuss with Filippo what other mods we have in mind, to get consensus. Some of the things we discussed at NIED are major changes and require major editing of settings files, so I want to make sure Filippo really wants them.

I'm already done with the upgrade of his 469D software.

Once I'm done, we'll arrange a transfer so he can try it out before we arrive to save time.

Brad

On Jan 5, 2013, at 7:38 AM, "Rod Larson" <rodlarson100@yahoo.com> wrote:

Brad,
Sorry to do things out of order. I meant to answer this one sooner, but the Jake thing kinda caught me by surprise. Seems like everyone in the world wanted to let me know.....

Linate: I am talking to Globe Communications next week about a pre-paid roaming phone card that I can get so I can call you or vice versa and Filippo as well. I don't want to do the monthly thing yet because I am not working every month and I don't want that \$100/month expense for nothing. I can get a prepaid card for 899 pesos (\$22) that is good for a month and I can use that in Italy. I am just triple-checking that option before I proceed. Jovie can even get me another card here in Maasin and get it applied to my number while I am in Italy if I need more than that. I will keep you posted.

I arrive at 6:30AM Sunday....I have NOTHING else to do except rest. I will be in Pavia probably by 8AM and will get a couple hours nap and then head to Linate. Filippo is leaving the car I will be using at the Riz. I take it that your phone can accept text msgs ?? If the phone works out like I think it will, I can text you when I leave Pavia and you will get the text when you land at Linate. That way you would know for sure that I am coming to get you in case of delay. I dislike calling while driving, but if I must, I can pull over and call you if there is bad traffic. Usually, the traffic is not bad on a Sunday afternoon. I think you sent me your itinerary - I will look for it again. If I cannot find it - I will let you know.

I don't know if you ever got to eat at Ravel. It is a VERY special dinner place west of Pavia. It's run by a

man and wife team. Filippo likes going there for the seafood special dinner. He intends to have you come along while we are there. It IS the best seafood dinner I have EVER had in my life - and I have been there a couple of times. Filippo will buy, but the place is not that expensive - about \$40. ONLY 1 meal type per evening. There are usually 2-3 main course choices. We will get a 7+ course dinner.

More later,

Rod

From: "Thoen, Brad" <Brad.Thoen@mts.com>
To: Rod Larson <rodlarson100@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 3, 2013 10:13 AM
Subject: RE: Pavia

Hey Rod!

When we were at NIED, I got the BTS and DTS projects from you, so I think I'm set. Also, I received your revised GITGOO.

I'll start the software modifications soon. I'm thinking that for now I should only do the minimum mods right now, not all the enhancements we talked about. I'd like you and I and Filippo them, and maybe see if he has some other things he wants that we don't know about yet. I'm going to be there for an entire week, so I'll have lots of time to do whatever mods are decided upon. Also we'll have lots of time look at the Xian force balance issue.

Will you have an international phone on this trip so I can call you when I get into Linate?

You are doing me a big favor by picking me up at the airport--- you don't have to if you have other things to do. But I'll buy you dinner if you do!

I'm really looking forward to spending a week with you and Filippo, just like old times. We will eat tagliata and drink vino until we hurl!

Brad

From: Rod Larson [rodlarson100@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 03, 2013 9:03 AM
To: Thoen, Brad
Subject: Pavia

Brad,
Do you want me to re-iterate the actuator configs for Pavia BTS and DTS (Damper Test System) ???

I will look for the Xian data tomorrow that shows the force balance problem....

Rod