Transportation from the Los Angeles International Airport to Downtown LA

Public Transportation
Take the Fly-Away Bus to Union Station. The bus, which our French colleagues will identify as "un car," picks up in the hotel/rental car shuttle section outside of baggage claim at LAX. It will take you directly to Union Station, LA’s central rail station. Be sure to take the Union Station bus. Drivers will announce the destination, which also should be marked on the bus’s front window.

From Union Station you have several options:

- Either the B or D Dash bus. The B Dash will drop you off at 2nd and Grand. The D Dash will drop you off at 2nd and Spring. The hotel is a short walk from either. [Please Note: Dash buses only run until 6pm on Thursday and Friday. They do not run on Saturday or Sunday!]
- The Red Line metro (the Subway). You should get off at Civic Center. The Hotel is a short walk away. [Runs evenings and weekends.]

Cost (one-way): Approximately $7 for the Fly-Away; 35¢ for Dash; $1.25 for the metro
Duration: Approximately 1 hour or more, depending on traffic

Airport Shuttle
Several airport shuttle companies operate in Los Angeles. They pick up outside of baggage claim at LAX. You should reserve these in advance.

Cost (one-way): Approximately $16
Duration: 30 minutes to several hours (the shuttle only leaves the airport when it is full), depending on traffic

Taxi
There will be a plentiful line of taxis waiting to pick up passengers at the airport. All LA taxis should charge a flat fee for transportation to downtown LA.

Cost (one-way): Approximately $46.50
Duration: 25 minutes to an hour or more, depending on traffic

Rental Car
All major car rental companies operate at LAX. It is possible to get around LA using public transportation. You may want a car if you plan to venture a little farther afield than downtown.

Cost: Whatever you pay to rent the car + parking at the conference hotel (Sunday through Thursday $40 per day per car including in/out privileges; Fridays and Saturdays $20 per day per car including in/out privileges)
Duration: 25 minutes to an hour or more, depending on traffic.