



Ayuntamiento
de Málaga

**UNITED FOR SMART AND SUSTAINABLE CITIES INITIATIVE
U4SSC**

26th April 2018

Málaga, Spain

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

1. MEETING VENUE AND INFORMATION

The meeting for the United for Smart Sustainable Cities will take place in Málaga during 26th April, at Trade Fairs and Congress Center of Málaga, Av. Ortega y Gasset 201, 29006 Málaga, Spain.

<http://www.fycma.com/>

2. ACCOMMODATION

Delegates are invited to book their accommodation directly with the hotel of their choice. Visit this web page to find the list of Collaborating Hotels _

<http://www.fycma.com/es/enlaces-de-interes/#.Wo6o8qjibcs>

3. INFORMATION FOR ARRIVING PARTICIPANTS

VISAS AND IMMIGRATION REQUIREMENTS

Information on requirements for appropriate travel documents including visa is available at this [Spanish Government webpage](#).

For additional information on entry requirements, delegates are requested to contact the closest Spanish Embassy/High Commission or Consulate <http://www.exteriores.gob.es/Portal/en/ServiciosAlCiudadano/Paginas/EmbajadasConsulados.aspx>

LETTER OF INVITATION FOR VISA APPLICATION

All request for letter of invitation for visa purposes must be addressed to internacionalesiad@minetad.es . When sending your request kindly attach a scanned copy of your passport and your dates of planned travel. Requests for letters of invitation for visa should be submitted as soon as possible but no later than **26 March 2018**.

BAGGAGE AND ITEMS PROHIBITED FOR CARRIAGE

For security reasons, some items and substances are forbidden for transport aboard passenger aircraft. Participants are advised to get information regarding the rules of air travel on the airline's website in this regard.

4. MALAGA AIRPORT (Málaga Costa del Sol Airport)

It takes around half an hour to travel from Málaga Costa del Sol airport to Málaga city centre and around fifteen minutes (15') to the Trade Fair and Congress Center of Málaga. Travel time refers to the time taken if the distance is covered by a car. For more information, please visit the website: _

<http://www.aena.es/es/aeropuerto-malaga/malaga-costa-sol.html>

5. MALAGA TRAIN-STATION (María Zambrano train station)

Located at the city center. High speed lines (AVE trains) to and from Barcelona and Madrid among other Spanish cities. For more information, please visit the website:

http://www.adif.es/en_US/infraestructuras/estaciones/54413/informacion_000240.shtml

6. HOSPITALITY

All participants may find regular taxis outside the airport and the train station. There is a service supplement coming in and out from the airport (5.5 euros). For more information, please visit the website:

<http://www.aeropuertodemalaga-costadelsol.com/transportation/taxi-malaga-airport.htm>

7. TIME ZONE

Spanish Standard Time (IST) is 1 hour ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT/UTC + 1 hour)

8. WEATHER

Málaga has a Mediterranean weather. The average temperature in April in Málaga is 21 Celsius degrees maximum and 11 Celsius degrees minimum, with sporadic rainfall.

9. VOLTAGE AND POWER PLUG

The standard voltage in Spain is 230V/50 Hz. The outlet has two round holes.



10. MEDICAL SERVICES - EMERGENCY SERVICES

Emergency services number (available 24 hours): **112**
Including Police, fire and ambulances

11. CURRENCY AND CREDIT CARDS

The Spanish currency is the European Euro. Coins come in the denomination of 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50 centimes and 1 and 2 euros. Notes in 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 200 and 500. 100, 200 and 500 notes are not usually taken outside banks. Banking hours in Spain are usually from 8.30 to 14.00 Monday to Friday. Exchange counters are available at the airport. MasterCard and Visa are widely accepted. American Express, and Diners Club not so often.

12. TELEPHONE CALLS

ISD for Spanish phones is + 34

13. SMOKING POLICY

Smoking is prohibited in public places in Spain.

14. TOURIST INFORMATION

There are a lot of tourist attractions in the city: historic monuments, churches, palaces and museums. For more information please visit the webpage <http://www.malagaturismo.com/en>

Alcazaba and Roman Theatre



Cathedral



Picasso Museum



15. ABOUT MALAGA

More than 3,000 years of history have passed since Málaga's establishment by the Phoenicians up to achieving the beautiful, friendly and cosmopolitan city that enchants tourists from all over the world today.

The Roman Theatre and garum (Roman fish paste) pools will take you to the times of Roman Hispania. Meanwhile, the Alcazaba is the most beautiful living example of the period of Muslim domination. Experience the reconquest (La Reconquista) by the Catholic Monarchs from the Santuario de la Victoria (the Shrine of Victory). Or stroll along Calle San Agustín, formerly known as the Calle de los Caballeros, the street of the knights since they settled on this street, with the Palacio de Buenavista as its most significant feature.

Discover the glorious past of our grapes in the wine museum. Discover how the Los Alemanes (The Germans) bridge got its name. Visit the Cathedral and see real works of art, some holly, which have survived to this day in celebrations such as the Semana Santa de Málaga (Holy Week Fiestas).

Stroll down Málaga's main street and learn more about the Marqués de Larios. Arrive at the Plaza de la Constitución, where most of the city's social events are held. Admire buildings of different ages and be enthralled by the stories that the city can tell.
