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for a worldwide deal
on climate change



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Welcome from Elena Espinosa , Minister of the Environment and Rural and Marine Affairs, Government of Spain

I would like to welcome all delegates participating in the Barcelona Climate Change Talks during the week of 2-6 November which aims to contribute to the success of the Copenhagen Conference.

Over 30 years ago the United Nations Conference on the Environment sounded the alarm with respect to the situation of the Earth and its resources. That historic event fostered the integration of the environment in sectorial policies, an irreversible process that has not been ignored by Spain.

The Barcelona Conference is the last stop prior to the Copenhagen Conference, which must produce a comprehensive and global agreement on how to mitigate climate change, adapt to its effects, facilitate access to technology and financial resources and provide an appropriate institutional response to manage all these aspects effectively in the medium and long term.

The road was mapped out in the Bali Action Plan. Following an intensive process by all governments to pool political wills the time has come now to adhere to the timetable. Urgent environmental issues require swift responses on our part but on this occasion the economic opportunity could not be greater: Copenhagen will help identify where to target major investment and technology development commitments and will also help restore market confidence. It is a crucial milestone and what seems difficult to us at present will soon seem obvious.

Agreement will only be possible if it is grounded on the principles of effectiveness, efficiency and equity. We need to lay the foundations for a fair and effective transition to the development model that will allow us to successfully address the requirements of the 21st century; one adapted to the limitations of our planet and to the legitimate aspirations of its inhabitants to enjoy adequate levels of wellbeing and development; one that reduces the economic and financial risks of a system that has so far proven incapable of integrating properly the very high costs it caused on its surroundings.

We need to move forward without delay. I therefore invite the participants – both the delegates as well as the representatives of civil society who will meet in the coming days in Barcelona – to work vigorously and in the belief that it is still possible to produce a significant and rapid change to a growth and development model that is kinder to the climate and offers greater solidarity to the most vulnerable citizens and nations.

Welcome from Jordi Hereu, Mayor of Barcelona

It's an honour for our city to be hosting the *2009 Barcelona Climate Change Talks*. This year will be crucially important when it comes to making international commitments to carry out global and joint action against climate change. Our city is delighted to be able to take an active part in this process, the high point of which will be the agreement that is to be established at the United Nations Conference on Climate Change, which will be taking place in Copenhagen this December. That is why we are proud the terms of this agreement are also being debated in Barcelona.

For Barcelona, fostering sustainable urban development and fighting climate change, from a broad perspective, has been a City Council priority, both in our long-term strategy and in the activities and projects being carried out in the city on a daily basis.

As Mayor, I want these work meetings to be useful, so we can all go to Copenhagen feeling optimistic about reaching a sound agreement.

It is a pleasure for us to welcome you here today, and we feel certain the *2009 Barcelona Climate Change Talks* will help bring continuity to the global fight against climate change.

Barcelona extends its welcome to you.

Welcome to Barcelona!

Welcome from Francesc Baltasar, Minister of Environment and Housing, Government of Catalonia

It is a pleasure and a great honour for me, as Minister for the Environment and Housing of the Government of Catalonia, to welcome you to Catalonia and the Barcelona Climate Change Talks.

Combating climate change has become one of the great challenges facing mankind in the twenty-first century. The scientific community tells us quite clearly that it is urgent and essential that we move against climate change. There can be no more debates about the need to act. Climate change is an unequivocal reality.

Now it is our turn, we have a responsibility to act, have a responsibility to do everything that must be done to face up to this challenge as the scientific community urges. Likewise, the agreement to be reached in Copenhagen will be the post complex global environmental treaty in history. We can see that, the distance we have covered since the Bali Action Plan has shown us how difficult it is to find common ground. But we will not lose hope; our responsibility is so great that we cannot fail.

Catalonia and Barcelona have been outstanding throughout history for being open to the world, a meeting place, a space for agreement, a land of welcome. I hope that the spirit of Catalonia and Barcelona affects us all and helps us, so that this week of talks may be useful and contribute to our reaching the best of agreements in Copenhagen.

As a Minister of the Government of Catalonia I cannot, nor do I wish, to miss the chance to remind you of the role we play, along with local governments, before the challenge of climate change. The agreements reached by the states will be developed, in part, by the other actors in government agencies and the private sector. Everyone has a fundamental role to play and many of the key policies for the effective reduction of greenhouse gas emissions in the areas of mobility, waste management, housing, industry or agriculture, amongst others, must be implemented on a regional and local scale. In adaptation policies the governments that are closest to the citizens will better understand the impact and will be better able to define the measures for adaptation. A territorial approach and subsequent rescaling of objectives is a guarantee of efficiency and will establish a framework of confidence and security for the transition towards a low-carbon economy.

In Catalonia, Government and society have assumed their responsibility. For this reason, in a concerted and coordinated manner, from the centre of government

we are developing a framework plan to reduce our emissions. This plan is consistent with Spain's commitments in the European sphere and aims to foster and execute measures for climate change mitigation that can and must be taken in Catalonia. We need a firm agreement in Copenhagen if we are to continue working in this direction. To continue developing structural measures for the transition to a low-carbon economy, beyond the current situation to which the economic crisis has led us and, as a central instrument to overcome it.

Authorities, delegates, ladies and gentlemen, welcome to Catalonia, it is pleasure to have you here. I hope you feel at home here and that this helps us to advance firmly in these talks. Copenhagen is close; Barcelona is the last stop. As I said before, now it's our turn, this is our responsibility. We must reach the best of agreements in Copenhagen.

Let us work well!

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Registration

Where do I get my badge?

Parties, observers and press can register and have their photos taken for badges at the Registration Counter located at the entrance of the FIRA Gran Via Conference Centre (Hall 8).

Badges are issued to representatives of Parties or observer organizations on the basis of a letter of nomination from Parties or observer organizations.

Press badges are issued to accredited press representatives based on the presentation of a valid national press card, a letter of assignment and two photo identification documents

(e.g. passport, driver's licence, national ID card, work identity card) or a photo press card from the United Nations in Geneva, Nairobi, New York or Vienna. Press badges allow access to all public meetings and sessions unless indicated otherwise for security reasons.

Double registration for the informal meetings (e.g. simultaneously as a nominee of a Party and of an observer organization, or simultaneously as a nominee of a Party and as a press representative) is not permitted.

Hours and contact information

Tuesday, 27 October to Friday, 6 November
08.00–18.00

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Enjoy using the UNFCCC lanyard for your badge. Please keep it for use at your next UNFCCC meeting. If you would like to update your badge photo, please ask at the Registration Counter.

How can I correct an entry in the list of participants?

Please take your comments and corrections to Hedwig Sandoval at the Registration Counter.

Please note that access to the conference area is restricted to registered participants of the meetings. In order to comply with the security requirements of the secretariat, participants are expected to wear their badges at all times and in all areas. Lost badges should be reported to the Registration Counter immediately.



General information

The Information Counter, located behind the Catalonia Welcome Desk in Hall 8, provides information about the meetings and the venues.

Hours and contact information

Monday, 2 November to Friday, 6 November
08.00–18.00

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Documents

Where do I get the Daily Schedule and official documents?

The Daily Schedule is available at the Documents Counter, located in the foyer of the FIRA Gran Via Conference Centre, and on the UNFCCC website at: http://unfccc.int/meetings/intersessional/barcelona_09/daily_programme/items/5026.php

The Daily Schedule provides detailed information on all scheduled meetings of the AWG-KP and the AWG-LCA, meetings of other groups, side events and other announcements.

Information in the Daily Schedule is subject to change. For the most recent information regarding meetings and rooms, please check the CCTV monitors located inside the FIRA Gran Via Conference Centre. This information may also be found on the UNFCCC website www.unfccc.int.

In addition to the Daily Schedule, all official documents and the list of participants are available at the Documents Counter. UNFCCC documents are also available on the UNFCCC website or by e-mail upon request to: secretariat@unfccc.int.

Pigeonholes for Parties and intergovernmental organizations are located adjacent to the Documents Counter.

Hours and contact information

Monday, 2 November to Friday, 6 November
08.00–8.00
Tel.: +34 671 751 856
Tel.: +34 671 751 871



Meeting rooms

Where can I book a meeting room?

Meeting rooms can be reserved at the Meeting Room Assignment Counter, located next to the Information Counter. Meeting rooms are available free of charge. Location and time may change depending on the necessities of the negotiation process. It is therefore advisable to reconfirm your booking at least two hours before the meeting.

Hours and contact information

Monday, 2 November to Friday, 6 November
08.00-18.00

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pkakucska@unfccc.int

Where are the meeting rooms?

All meetings of the AWG-KP, the AWG-LCA and UNFCCC events are held inside the FIRA Gran Via Conference Centre. With the exception of the meeting rooms (TEJO, BREZO, LENTISCO, ADELFA) located in NEXO C, all other meeting rooms are located in Hall 8. Please see the floor plan on pages 6 and 7 for the exact location of each room.



Information for observer organizations

Constituencies Daily Meetings

BINGO **09:00-10:00**

IPO **08:30-09:30**

TUNGO **09:00-10:00**

*YOUNGO **08:00-10:00**

*Women and Gender **13:00-14:00**

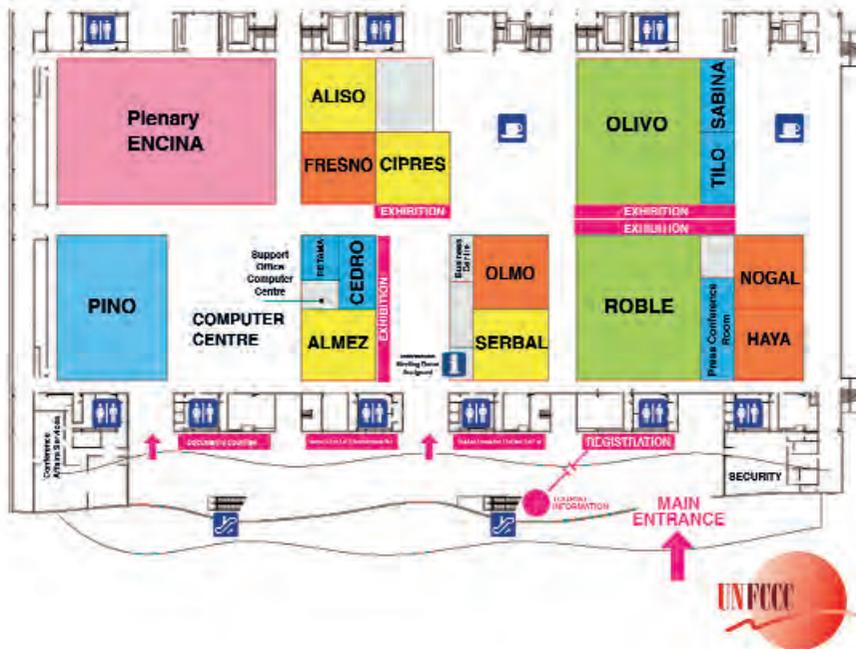
*The above two groups are recognized as constituencies on a provisional basis pending a final decision of their status by COP 17.

Other ad hoc constituency meetings will be advertised in the Daily Programme and on CCTV. Please also consult the CCTV monitors for last-minute changes.

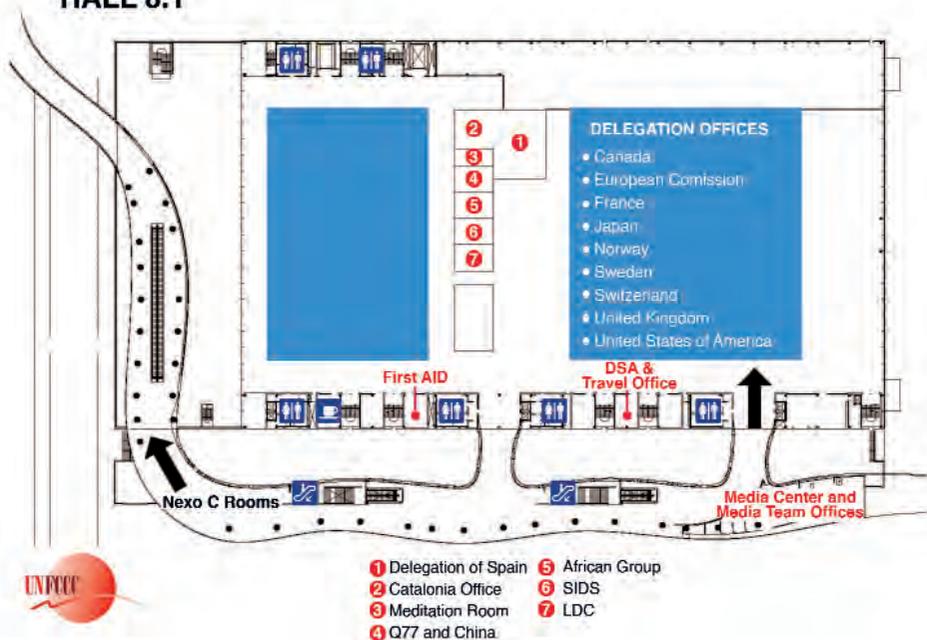
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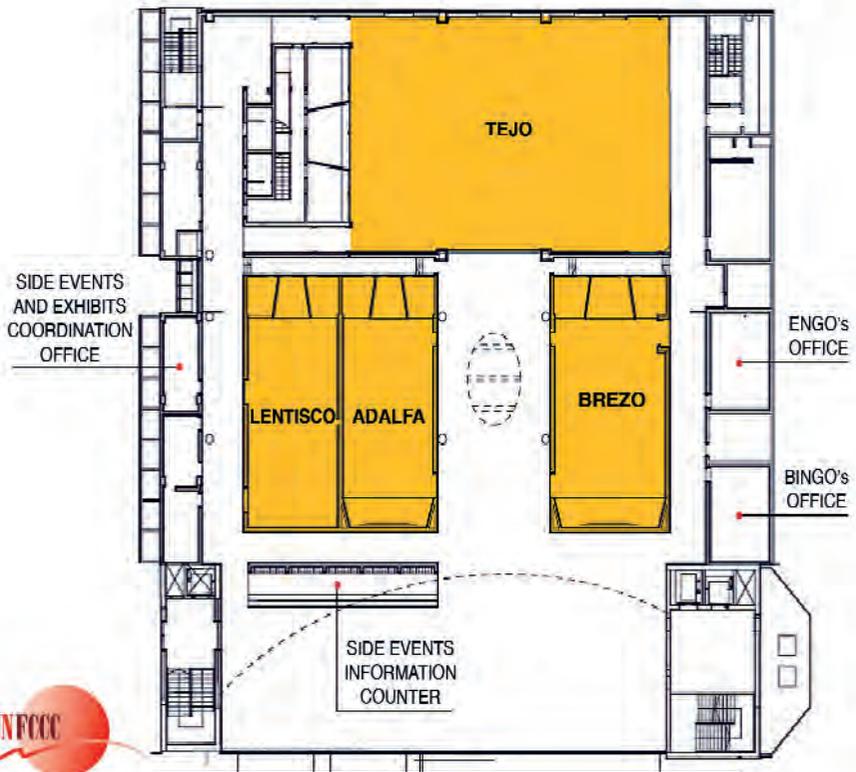
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HALL 8.1



NEXO C



Shuttle services to Fira Gran Via (Hall 8)

Timetables

Monday, 2 November to Friday, 6 November
07:30-20:00

Routes

FCCC Bus (green)
Pl. Espanya - Fira Gran Via

FCCC Bus (blue)
Pl. Europa - Fira Gran Via



Plaza Espanya

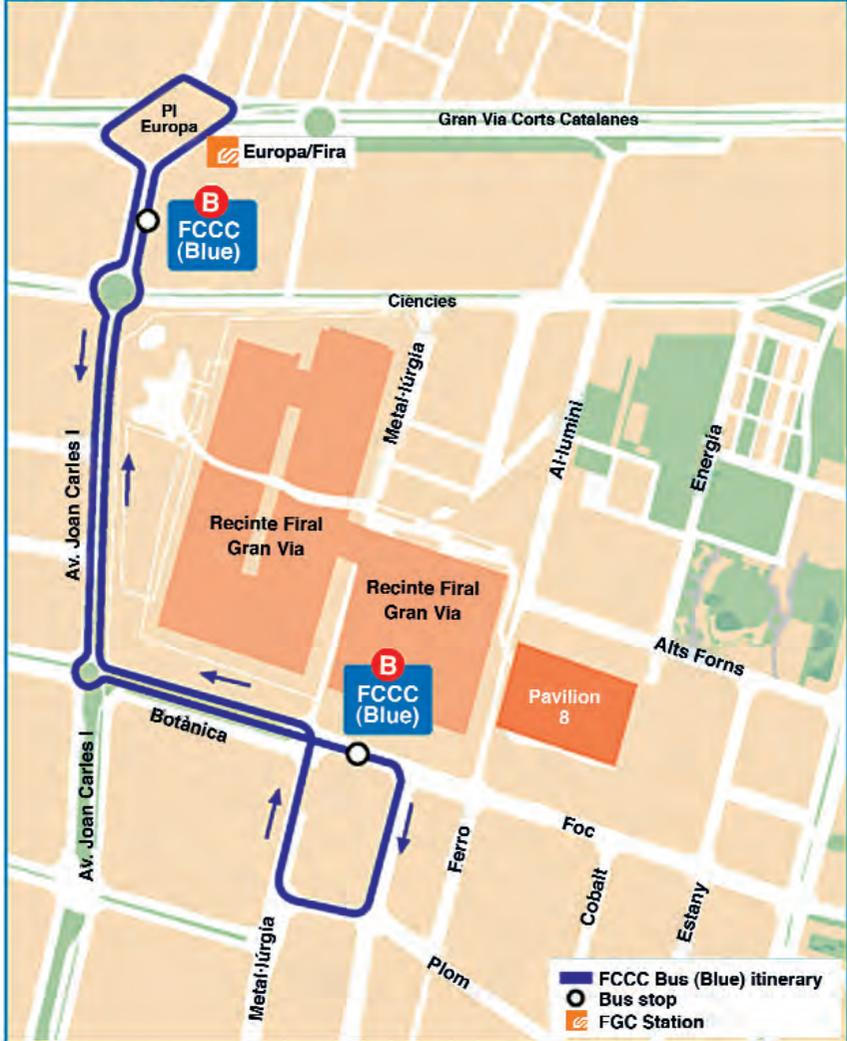


Fira Gran Via Hall 8



FCCC Bus (Green) location of busstops

FCCC Bus (Blue): Pl. Europa-Fira Gran Via



FCCC Bus (Blue) location of busstops



Services to participants

DSA payments

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DSA disbursement

Delegates from Parties eligible for funding should present their travel documents (including an official identification document) at the DSA/Travel Office located on the first floor of the FIRA Gran Via Conference Centre, prior to collecting their daily subsistence allowance (DSA) from the La Caixa Bank (Branch details will be provided directly at DSA office). The DSA will be paid in Euro currency.

Hours and contact information

Banking Hours

Monday, 2 November
14:00-18:00
Tuesday 3 to Friday 6
8:15 - 14:00

DSA/Travel Office

Tuesday, 27 August to Friday, 6
November
09.00-12.00
13.00-17.00



Computer centre

The Computer Centre is located on the ground floor of the Hall 8 of FIRA Gran Via Conference Centre (Please see map). Computers and high-speed printers are available from Monday, 2 November to Friday, 6 November for participants on a first come, first served basis. These computers allow Internet access and are equipped with word processing and spreadsheet software.

Please be considerate and do not monopolize the equipment. It is intended for use by all participants. Instructions are posted on the desks.



Photocopiers and fax machines

Photocopying and facsimile services are available on a commercial basis at the Business Centre, located on the Ground Floor of the Hall 8. Upon request, participants may obtain a receipt for services rendered



Consignments

For information on consignments, please contact the shipment focal points or visit them at the Meeting Room Assignment Counter.

Contact information

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Catering

HALL 8

Café Sol / Bar-Coffee shop
Ground Floor
Monday, 2 November–Friday, 6
November
7:00-18:00

Di-Vi / Bar-Coffee shop
Ground Floor
Monday, 2 November
9:00-18:00
Tuesday, 3 November–Friday, 6
November
9:00-20:00

Alternativa Buffet / Buffet Self Service
Ground Floor
Monday, 2 November–Friday, 6
November
11:30-15:30

Vending Service / Vending machines
Ground and First Floor
Monday, 2 November–Friday, 6
November
24 hours

NEXO C

Café Sol / Bar-Coffee shop
NEXO C
Monday, 2 November–Friday, 6
November
8:00-16:00

Lost and found

Lost and found items are kept in the Security Office, located at the main hall next to Registration. For security reasons, unattended items found anywhere on the conference premises will be removed.

Tel.: +34 93 233 4444

Meditation room

The Meditation Room is located on the first floor next to the G77 and China Office, within the conference premises.

Emergencies

For medical emergencies, please contact the First Aid, located on the first floor opposite the UNFCCC staff area.

Tel.: +34 93 233 4573

For other emergencies, please contact United Nations security staff (wearing a United Nations uniform or armband) located at the entrance or call:

Tel.: +34 93 233 4444

Security Advice for Staff and Meeting Participants

The United Nations Security and Safety Service hopes that you enjoy your stay in Barcelona and that you have a productive meeting.

If you need assistance within the Conference Centre, you may contact U.N. Security at

+34 93 233 4444

or visit us on the Ground Floor, next to the entrance of Hall 8.

If you need assistance while in the City, the emergency number (to contact Spanish Police, Fire, or Ambulance services) is

112

Barcelona is a safe city. Violent crime is rare. However, there are precautions that everyone should take to ensure that they do not become victims of accidents or petty crime. You should take your own security seriously and be aware of your surroundings. Most of it is common sense and could be followed anywhere in the world.

Taxis

Barcelona uses metered taxis, in which extra charges must be posted in the vehicle. Staff and participants are advised to use only clearly identified cabs and to ensure that taxi drivers always switch on the meter. A green light on the roof indicates that the taxi is available.

Cash and personal documents

Staff and participants are encouraged to carry limited cash, only one credit card, and a copy of their passport; leaving extra cash, extra credit cards, passports and personal documents in a safe location.

There is a requirement to provide proof of your identify if requested by a Police Officer. The only legally acceptable documents by Spanish Police are a passport or a national identification card. The Spanish Police have the right to hold you at a police station until your identity is confirmed. The Guardia Civil or Police will ask you to show them your documents only and do not request that you hand over your bag or wallet.

Safety and Security Services

The UN Security and Safety Service is working in close collaboration with the Spanish Government authorities to provide you a secure environment for your meeting. Our Officers, in United Nations blue uniforms or in civilian attire, are available to assist you with any problems you may have. Feel free to approach us if you have any security related concerns.

Please follow the instructions that UN Security Officers have give you, especially in relation to evacuation in case of fire.

At the Security Office (Ground Floor of Hall 8, next to the main entry) we provide the following services:

Lost and Found

Assistance with Local Police (e.g. helping to make statements in case of theft, etc.)

You may find it convenient to fill out this card and carry it with you:

Essential Information

Name and Address of My Hotel:

Spanish Emergency Number: **112**

UN Security Number: **+ 34 93 233 4444**



Anything else I should know?

Food and drink are not permitted in the meeting rooms.

Please help keep the conference premises a non-smoking environment. Smokers are encouraged to enjoy the fresh air around the FIRA Gran Via Conference Centre.

Participants are requested not to remove interpretation headsets from the foyers or meeting rooms.

To align ourselves with current waste regulations and to help protect the environment, we ask all participants and colleagues to follow the advice below. Three different types of waste bins are located around the conference premises. Please sort waste as follows:

Blue: paper

Yellow: plastics

Black: organic waste

We appreciate all the efforts made by participants and staff to achieve a cleaner environment.



Catalunya Welcome Desk

The Catalunya Welcome Desk, located next to the Registration Counter, will distribute welcome bags including free transportation tickets for Barcelona valid for the duration of the conference.

Opening hours

Monday, 2 November to Friday, 6 November
08.00-20.00



Information about Barcelona

The Barcelona Tourism Counter is located next to the Catalunya Welcome Desk. It has information on hotel reservations, local transportation, train and air travel, as well as tourist information about Barcelona. Hours and contact information

Monday, 2 November to Friday, 6 November
09.00-18.00

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

Opening Reception

The Government of Catalonia and the Barcelona City Council cordially invite participants to a welcoming reception at the Oval Room of the National Art Museum of Catalonia on Monday, 2 November at 19.30.

Please note that the building has a capacity limit of 1,200. After this limit has been reached, it will not be possible for persons to access the building. Please check the Daily Programme and CCTV monitors for additional information

Emissions Offsetting

The Ministry of the Environment and Housing of the Government of Catalonia has committed to offset the emissions of the Barcelona Climate Change Talks 2009. The Catalan Climate Change Office has estimated 474 Tn of CO₂ emissions will be generated from energy consumption and transport. These emissions will be offsetted through the purchase of EUA allowances through SENDECO₂.

Important telephone numbers in Barcelona

City Police
092

Fire Department
080

Medical Emergencies
061

Taxi Services

Barnataxi groc
Contact: Lluís Berber
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Radio Taxi
+34 93 303 3033

Servi Taxi
+34 93 330 0300

Cooperativa Taxi Metropolità de Barcelona
+34 93 225 0000



City: Barcelona, a vibrant and creative city that combines astonishing architecture and culture with a unique Mediterranean lifestyle, is the second largest city in Spain. It is the capital of the Catalonia region and is often referred to as the business centre of Spain. Barcelona is located on the shores of the Mediterranean Sea and enjoys a mild climate throughout the year. Founded by the Carthaginians more than 2000 years ago, the city displays a rich historical heritage and deeply rooted cultural traditions. With the Olympic Games in 1992, Barcelona underwent a dramatic renovation of its public and private infrastructures, becoming one of the most modern cities in Europe, and an attractive destination for both business and leisure tourists. In preparation for the Universal Forum of Cultures in 2004, a five month event supported by UNESCO, Barcelona completed the full renovation of its waterfront, opened a new International Convention Centre and committed itself to promoting sustainability, cultural diversity and peace.

Geography: Barcelona is located on the shores Mediterranean, covers an area of 100.95 square kilometres and has a population of 1,580,000.

Getting Around Barcelona:

Methods of transportation: Bus and metro
Methods of Payment: Cash or by credit card
More information is available at www.tmb.cat

Weather and time zone information

November: Average High 17°C
Daily 12.55°C
Average Low 8.1°C

Electricity

220 volts, 50 Hertz (two-pin, flat and vertical connection)

Currency

Euro

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