PRACTICAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE 2025 ECSPM SYMPOSIUM





This symposium celebrates 10 years of development, expansion, and enlargement as an organisation independent from the DG EAC of the European Commission, which initially launched it. It is hosted by the Universidad Autónoma de Madrid (UAM) and co-organised by the MIRCo Research Centre. The symposium webpage with the programme is <a href="https://example.com/herce-new-commons.com/herce-new-central-new

The venue, accommodation and taxi fare

The symposium venue is <u>La Cristalera</u> UAM centre, a self-contained residence in the mountains in Miraflores de la Sierra, close to Madrid. The accommodation prices <u>per person</u> are:

• Single room with full board: €83.30

Double room with full board: €74.88

Single room with bed & breakfast: €44.00

• Double room with bed & breakfast: €39.60

• Coffee (2 coffees + 2 extra coffees): €5.50 per service → €11 + €2.40 = €13.40

Please know that it is possible to share a room, which would be beneficial because La Cristalera has an availability of 60 beds but only 42 rooms.

If you are coming to Madrid by plane, you are advised to arrive earlier than 16:00, or earlier than 18:00 CET on Wednesday, 14 May, in order to share a taxi to the symposium venue with others arriving at around the same time. The taxi prices from the airport to La Cristalera are:

Uber: €80Cabify: €60

Mitaxi: \$70 local taxis

FreeNow (taxi): €100, same price for 4 to 8 people.

Since individuals are arriving at very different times, you are advised to let Guðrún Gísladóttir (gudrun@ecspm.org) know your arrival time so she may try to coordinate and arrange for taxis.

If you are driving to La Cristalera yourself, the address to use is, La Cristalera, M-611, 28792 Miraflores de la Sierra.

Departure from the venue

Some of you are leaving on Friday, 16 May, while others are staying until Saturday, 17 May. Please let us know so that we can in turn inform La Cristalera staff how many nights you are spending there. They need to know well in advance.

If you decide to leave from La Cristalera on Friday or Saturday evening but would like to stay on in Madrid, our hosts have suggested the following:

Good value options

- Hotel Lisboa (comfortable and well-priced in the city center). This is the one they usually recommend; it is modest but well-located. If booking, we suggest requesting a quiet room.
- Hotel Persal, a nice hotel, but they usually require more than one-night stays.

Other affordable options in the city center, slightly more elegant:

- Hotel Mediodía, Suites Prado
- En Madrid Collection (Paseo del Prado).

Mid-to-upscale options (good quality-price balance):

Hotel Suecia

<u>NH Hotels</u>: In general, NH hotels are a solid choice but more expensive. Among them, with better pricing:

- NH Palacio de Tepa (Santa Ana).
- En Madrid Collection (Paseo del Prado).

NOTE: Keep in mind that prices tend to be lower if booked in advance, especially in NH hotels.