

Kick Off Meeting of the WCRP LA & C Conference Scientific Steering Committee

4 - 5 March 2013
Buenos Aires, Argentina

Location:

The Kick Off Meeting will be held at the Ministerio de Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación Productiva (MINCyT) <http://www.mincyt.gov.ar/>, Godoy Cruz 2320 3º Piso, within walking distance of the recommended hotels.

Transportation

Several international airlines arrive at Ezeiza International Airport (Ministro Pistarini, www.aa2000.com.ar). It is located at a distance of 34 km from Buenos Aires city. The domestic flights arrive at Aeroparque, this airport is located in Buenos Aires city.

The transportation facilities at Ezeiza International Airport include transfer, taxi, bus and other services which take one out of the airport to the respective hotels one prefers or to the center of the city.

Transfer Bus is Company Manuel Tienda León (www.tiendaleon.com.ar) from Ezeiza Airport to downtown Buenos Aires lasts approximately 40 minutes. The cost is about U\$S 15. After 12 pm, the frequency is lower. Tel: 54 11 4314-3636 / 4315-5115 / 0810 888 5366.

For travelling by taxi from Ezeiza Airport to City Center requesting agencies radio fare taxi at the airport. The cost Ezeiza Airport - Buenos Aires City is about U\$S 50.

Suggested hotels

The following list of hotels is suggested for participants:

- **Pop Hotels *****
Juan Ramirez de Velasco 793, CABA, Argentina
Tel: +54 11 4776-6900
Around USD 58.00 / night (Tax is not included)
<http://www.pophotelsbuenosaires.com/> (located fifteen blocks from the MINCyT)
- **Esplendor Palermo Soho ******
Guatemala 4931, CABA, Argentina
Tel: +54 11 5217 5799
<http://www.esplendorpalermosoho.com/> (located five blocks from the MINCyT)
- **Hollywood Suites & Lofts******
Nicaragua 5490, esq Humboldt, CABA, Argentina
Tel.: +54 11 5276 6100
<http://www.hollywoodsuitesba.com.ar/>
(located seven blocks from the MINCyT)

- **5411 Soho ******
Thames 1565, CABA, Argentina
Tel.: +54 11 4833 9233
<http://www.5411soho.com/> (located nine blocks from the MINCyT)
- **BA Sohotel ******
Paraguay 4485, CABA, Argentina
Tel.: +54 11 4832 4474
<http://www.basohotel.com/> (located six blocks from the MINCyT)
- **BoBo Hotel ******
Guatemala 4870, CABA, Argentina
Tel.: +54 11 4774-0505
<http://www.bobohotel.com/> (located five blocks from the MINCyT)
- **Vain Boutique Hotel ******
Thames 2226/8, CABA, Argentina
Tel.: +54 11 4832-1060
<http://www.vainuniverse.com/palermo/> (located twelve blocks from the MINCyT)
- **Casa Chic Hotel Boutique (b&b) *****
El Salvador 4786, CABA, Argentina
Tel.: +54 11 4897 2062
http://www.casa-chic.com/page/2_PALERMO-SOHO-Hotel-Boutique.html (located ten blocks from the MINCyT)
- **Other hotels:**
 - www.booking.com/Buenos-Aires

Visa

For information about visas please contact: www.cancilleria.gov.ar/portal/index.html or the Diplomatic Representation or Embassy in your country.

Tour options

- Official Web Site of Buenos Aires City Tourism Office (in English): <http://www.bue.gov.ar/informacion/>

Currency

The currency of Argentina is the PESO (\$).

The official exchange rate between PESO and USD at present (February 14, 2013) is about \$5 = U\$S1.

The official exchange rate is at http://www.bna.com.ar/bp/bp_cotizaciones.asp?op=m

Credit cards such as Visa, American Express and Master Card are acceptable at hotels, large restaurants and shopping centers.

Further information

The Kick Off Meeting agenda is posted at

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