WELCOME

The HPCA’04 congress organization welcomes you to Madrid. We hope you’ll enjoy your stay and that this congress lives up to your expectations.

Keep this document with you. It contains information about where the congress and workshops will take place, and how to get to them. We have also summarized the main social events organized by the congress team.

Transport:

To get to the workshops/congress, we strongly recommend that you use the HPCA Shuttle service†. It will take the attendees from each of the following hotels: Centro Colon Apartments, Tirol Hotel, Senator Gran Via Hotel, Senator España Hotel, NH Alberto Aguilera, Moncloa Garden.

Alternatively, if the shuttle timetable does not fit in with your plans, we suggest you use the Metro (subway). Take line 6 (dubbed circular, the gray line in the metro-map, a copy of which is provided at the end of this document) and head for Ciudad Universitaria. On leaving this station you will find the 82 bus stop just outside the exit. The conference will be held at the Facultad de Informática (check the University area map also in this document).

Bear in mind that you may be waiting 15 min (on average) for the 82 bus during the weekend, and that the Facultad de Informática is only 600 meters or 15 min walk from the Ciudad Universitaria subway station. The rest of the week, the average wait for the bus is about 7 min.

The Facultad de Informática address is:

C/ Juan del Rosal, 8 28040 – Madrid. (Juan del Rosal street, number 8).

There are other buses you can take from different starting points throughout the city, but they are only available from Monday to Friday. The nearest one to the hotels is Line G, which starts at Moncloa and ends at Filosofía B. Line U can also be taken from the Metro to the Facultad de Informática. For both lines there is a bus stop in front of Facultad de Derecho.

† The Shuttle service timetables are shown on the reverse of this sheet.
### Shuttle Service Timetable

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(Ask at the hotel reception to find out where the meeting point is located)

### Main Social Events:

Our organization members also want to remind you of the timetable of the main social events. On Monday 16\(^{th}\) our City Hall will welcome you with an official reception (7:30pm - 8:30pm). After that, we have planned a guided visit to Madrid’s historic quarter. On Tuesday 17\(^{th}\) we have organized a visit to one of our historic monuments: at 3:00pm buses will take the attendees to *El Escorial*, and we will return to the hotels at 7:00pm. This evening, we will gather for a wonderful dinner at the Hotel Melia Princesa.

**February, 16\(^{th}\) (Monday)**

- 6:45pm: Shuttle service from the *Facultad de Informática* to Madrid City Hall.
- 7:30pm: Reception & Cocktails at Madrid City Hall.
- 8:30pm: Guided Tour around Madrid’s historic quarter (the guided tour will return you to the hotel area).

**February, 17\(^{th}\) (Tuesday)**

- 3:00pm: Shuttle service from the *Facultad de Informática* to “El Escorial”.
- 3:30pm: Guided tour of the Monastery, which contains the 16\(^{th}\) century Palace, the Royal Pantheon and a magnificent church.
- 6:30pm: Shuttle service from “El Escorial” to the hotels.
- 9:15pm: Dinner at *Melia Madrid Princesa Hotel (Princesa Street, 27).*

The HPCA organization members wish you a pleasant stay in Madrid. Enjoy our city!

\(^{†}\) For social events, additional tickets will be available at the conference registration desk.