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EPF CONFERENCE 2011



Conference EPF Barcelona 2011 “Connecting people”

9th Annual General Meeting and Conference of the European Passengers' Federation

March 12th, in Barcelona, Spain

The events will take place in **Museu Picasso**, carrer de Montcada, 15-23.

41°23'7.33"N 2°10'49.76"E

200 meters from JAUME I metro station, Line 4 (the yellow)

500 meters from ESTACIÓ DE FRANÇA railway station, Commuter and Regional trains

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Contributions



(there may be changes due to organisational reasons)

Programme Friday March 11th . *Guided tour and workshop*

- 10:30 **Reception**
- 11:00 **A guided tour of the city.** Discovering the public transport supply and mobility of Barcelona (in English).
- 14:00 **Lunch** and free time
- 16:00 **Workshop.** How the cross-border services could be improved (in English). Presentation of FNAUT and PTP. *Remark: from 19th December two daily TGV French trains will enter Spain as far as Figueres, but there are still conventional trains between Portbou and Cerbère and between Figueres and Perpignan .*
- 20:00 Welcome **dinner**, in a restaurant to be determined

Programme Saturday March 12th. Morning. *Conference*

*The languages of the conference will be **Catalan, Spanish and English.** There will be **simultaneous interpretation.***

- 08:30 **Reception**
- 09:30 **Welcome:**
–Trevor Garrod, EPF chairman
–Ricard Riol, PTP president
–Jordi Hereu, mayor of Barcelona (to be confirmed)
- 09:45 **Barcelona’s mobility strategy.** Representative of the City Council of Barcelona
- 10:30 **The strategy of Ferrocarrils de la Generalitat de Catalunya.** FGC. Mr. Oriol Juncadella, Operations Director (*the regional railway company that provides metro and suburban services with 80 million passengers per year*).
- 11:10 **Coffee break**
- 11:25 **“Retbus” project: the future bus in Barcelona.** Miquel Estrada, Project Manager of CENIT (Transport Innovation Center, depending of Public University).
- 11:50 **PTP’s works** to improve the Spanish PT: co-modality, transport financing, Catalonia 2104 and Spain 2020 Rail Plans. Mr. Ricard Riol Jurado, PTP president.
- 13:00 **The Spanish strategy to develop the high speed network.** Renfe. Mr. Felix Martin Merino. Director of Transversal Services.
- 13:45 **Lunch** in the same venue

Programme Saturday March 12th. Evening. *Conference*

- 15:00 **Connecting people. Easy travel for Europeans.** Mrs Meglena Kuneva, political adviser to Vice-President Kallas, the EU's Transport Commissioner, and herself formerly the European Commissioner for Consumer Affairs. She will be accompanied by Mrs Veronica Manfredi, the member of the Vice President's cabinet who took part in EPF Conference 2010 in Malmö.
- 15:50 **The protection of the passenger rights in Europe.** Mr Christopher Irwin, vice-chairman of EPF.
- 16:30 **On-line Information needs from public transport users view.** Foundation Safe and Sustainable Mobility, FMSS. Mr Eric Cañas. Technical Director of FMSS
- 17:00 **Closing.** Mr Trevor Garrod, EPF Chairman. Summary and Conclusion
Information about the Sunday Programme
- 17:30 **Annual General Meeting of EPF**
- Free Time
- 20:00 **Informal dinner**

Programme Saturday March 12th. Evening. *Assembly*

Saturday March 12th: Annual General meeting

- 17:30 Annual General Meeting of the European Passengers' Federation
- 18:30 Conclusion

Programme Sunday March 13th. Morning. *Visits*

OPTION 1. TRIP TO MONTSERRAT BY TRAIN

- 08:36 Departure from the Plaça d'Espanya, FGC station
- 09:50 Departure from the rack railway to Montserrat from Monistrol
- 10:10 Arrival to Montserrat
- 10:20 Breakfast
- 10:40 Conference on the history of Montserrat
- 11:10 Visit to Montserrat's facilities
- 12:00 Ascent and descent to the Sant Joan funicular (10 minutes of travel)
- 12:45 Lunch**
- 13:00 Two alternative departures to Barcelona
- 14:00
- 14:20 Arrival to Plaça d'Espanya, FGC station, where there is a bus that connect the airport in 20mins each 8mins.
- 15:20

For those people who leave Barcelona by train, Sants-Estació, the main rail station in Barcelona, is connected to Plaça d'Espanya in 10mins by metro, line 3 (the green one)

OPTION 2. GUIDDED TOUR AROUND BARCELONA

A guided tour through the history of Barcelona, visiting the main representative places.

- 09:30 **START**
- 13:30 **END**

Prices and inscription

Prices list

Registration fee for non-members (includes documents, drinks and lunch on Saturday and a travelcard for Barcelona)	100 €
Members in EPF organisations and their affiliated associations benefit for a reduced fee	65 €
Extra fee for persons registering after 18 th February or paying cash in Barcelona	10 €
Participation in Sunday excursion	20 €
Evening meal on Friday according to menu.	Price not include in registration fee

The registration fee is valid for:

1. Assisting to the public transport guided visit and participating in workshop, both for March 11th
2. Assisting and participating in EPF conference, for March 12th, including the breakfast and lunch.
3. With a suplement of only 20€, assisting to the Montserrat trip or guided visit to Barcelona, for 13th March. .

Registration and payment

You can register by completing the on-line form on www.epf.eu. Alternatively, you can send the completed registration form to the EPF office by February 18th. Full conference documentation will be sent or e-mailed to you 2 weeks before the conference.

There are three options for payment:

1. Transfer of your fee to the international bank account of EPF:
(IBAN: BE93 0003 2550 9667 / BIC: BPOT BEB1).
Please state the purpose as "Conference 2011". For transfers from outside the EU, please be responsible for all bank charges (code "OUR").
2. If you register on the EPF website, you can also pay with either PayPal or credit card.
3. It is also possible to pay in cash on the day. Please do this only if you have no other option. There is an extra fee of 10 Euro.

Travel and accommodation

Overnight accommodation

EPF is working to make some special offers available. In the meantime you may book on various websites, e.g. www.hotelsbarcelona.org

Travel to Barcelona

By train: There are five trains daily from France.

Some make their final stop at Estació de França, convenient for the hotels, others go to Estació de Sants.

From 19th December French TGV will be entering Spain as far as Figueres. It is recommended that you consult the timetables.

By plane: In Barcelona airport has two terminals.

- The T-2 has a rail service every 30 minutes with a journey time of 20 minutes to Barcelona-Sants and an additional 5 minutes to Barcelona-Passeig de Gràcia. There is also a direct bus, the A-2.
- From terminal T-1 there is only a direct bus, the A-1.

A taxi from the airport could cost 30-35 €.

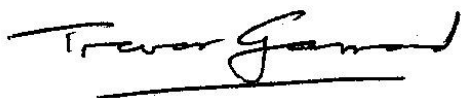
About EPF annual meeting

EPF comprises of 32 associations or bodies, throughout 18 European countries, whose individual members are welcome to attend the meeting and conference.

Only official EPF delegates are allowed to vote on internal matters. Visitors are also welcome at the conference and do not have to be members.

The speakers and discussions should enable EPF and its constituent bodies to strengthen their work representing all public transport customers over the coming year. The event also provides excellent opportunities for members from across Europe to network and learn from each other's experiences.

I look forward to meeting you in Barcelona and to an interesting event.



Trevor Garrod, chairman

Registration form

Name.....

Last name.....

Address.....

Telephone

Email.....

Organisation

- I hereby register person(s) for the 2011 conference.
(100 € per person for non members)
- I hereby register person(s) for the 2011 conference
(65 € per person for members of EPF and affiliated regional or local groups)
- I/we shall be present for the meal on Friday evening 11 March (..... person(s)).
- I prefer vegetarian food. YES NO
- I confirm person(s) will take part in the excursion to Montserrat or to the guided tour of Barcelona on Sunday 13th March (20 € per person).
Montserrat trip Guided visit around Barcelona
- I have transferred € to the EPF account / I shall pay on the day of the conference (please delete as appropriate). Payment by PayPal or credit card is only possible if you register via the website.

Signed:

Date:

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