





# 6th UNECE International PPP Forum

"The role of People-first PPPs for the SDGs in Delivering Sustainable Infrastructure to Accelerate the Implementation of the 2030 Agenda"

Barcelona, Spain 4 to 6 May 2022

# Information Guide to registered participants<sup>1</sup>

### I. INTRODUCTION

The UNECE secretariat would like to thank you for registering to the 6th UNECE International PPP Forum on 4-6 May 2022. This information guide was prepared for providing basic information pertaining to your trip to Barcelona, Spain. We are most happy to welcome you.

#### II. TRANSFER FROM BARCELONA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Upon arrival at the <u>Barcelona International Airport</u> (Josep Tarradellas-El Prat), participants can proceed to their accommodation by public transport or by taxi (<u>website</u>). Average time by taxi to the city centre is 20-30 minutes. Public transport in Barcelona is very efficient, with several regular public transport services connecting central Barcelona to the airport. There is a direct bus service from the airport terminals T1 and T2 to Plaça Catalunya (see <u>AeroBus</u>).

# III. VENUE

The Forum's plenary sessions<sup>2</sup> on Wednesday, 4 May will take place in the Auditorium located in the South Campus at <u>IESE Business School in Barcelona</u>, at the Av. de Pearson, 21. On Friday, 6 May the plenary sessions take place in Aula Plana (Q-502), North Campus at Carrer d'Arnús i de Garí, 3-7.

The Plenary sessions on Thursday, 5 May will be hosted at <u>Barcelona Activa</u>, Seu <u>Central</u>, Carrer de la Llacuna, 162, Barcelona (this is also the place from where the parallel site visits will start).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> If you have not yet registered, you are kindly requested to go to online registration system by clicking here.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For information on conference room number for the break-out sessions, please consult the <u>provisional programme</u>.

The best way to get to **IESE Business School** is by taxi. You may also use buses <u>113</u>, <u>68</u>, <u>H2</u>, <u>H4</u>, <u>V5</u>, but you should consider that walking distance from nearest bus stop is about 15 minutes.

**Barcelona Activa, Seu Central** is located in the city centre (41.40639470809, 2.1926186537878363), with easy connection via public transports. You may use the following transit lines with routes that pass near Barcelona Activa, metro <u>L1</u>, <u>L2</u>; train <u>R1</u>, <u>R11</u>, <u>R2</u>, <u>RG1</u>; and bus <u>7</u>, <u>H12</u>.

# IESE Business School, venue on Wednesday, 4 May

**Entrance to South Campus** 

Address: Av. Pearson 21, 08034 Barcelona, Spain (41.39357264347702, 2.1078440979681177)



# **How to get to the Auditorium, South Campus:**

- Go inside South Campus and pass through Security showing the QR code that has been provided to you by email;
- Take the stairs and go down one floor, then take a right until you find the sign of the event;
- Go inside Building B through the glass doors, you will find the registration table and Auditorium right in front. There you will be provided with your name badge;
- Please note that a designated person from IESE Staff will guide you along the route to the Auditorium

# IESE Business School, venue on Friday, 6 May

**Entrance to North Campus** 

Address: C/Arnús i Garí, 3-7 08034 Barcelona, Spain (41.39376389979041, 2.1055696268042303)



### **How to get to Aula Plana, North Campus:**

- Go inside Campus and pass through Security showing the QR code that has been provided to you by email;
- Go forward and go inside Building Q;
- Once inside Building Q, pass the reception desk and go up one floor through the elevator or taking the stairs. You should go to floor Q-100;
- Pass through the window doors and go straight until you find the stairs;
- Take the stairs or elevator that is behind the stairs and go to floor number Q-500;
- Take a left and you will find Aula Plana;
- Please note that a designated person from IESE Staff will guide you along the route to Aula Plana.

### **IV. REGISTRATION**

Registration should be done in advance of the meeting. Please visit the registration website <a href="here">here</a>. Distribution of badges starts at 8.30 a.m. on Wednesday, 4 May 2022, and will take place outside of the Auditorium, where participants will be issued with a lapel badge for the duration of the Forum. Delegates are requested to bring a valid ID with photo (e.g., passport or driver's license). It is advisable that you arrive at IESE Business School by 8 a.m. on 4 May so that you avoid long queues. Once in possession of the lapel badge, delegates can proceed to the Auditorium. Members of the UNECE Secretariat, IESE Business School, and Barcelona City Council will welcome delegates. Signs are posted in prominent spots to guide delegates to reach the plenary room. Once in possession of the lapel badges, delegates can access IESE Campuses from any of the entry points. Please always carry a photo ID with you.

Participants duly registered will receive a time-limited QR code to enter the premises.

### V. ORGANIZATION

The Forum will start on Wednesday, 4 May 2022 in the Auditorium located in the South Campus at 9.30 a.m. sharp. A map of the *Campus* is reproduced hereunder.

### VI. CONFERENCE FEE AND OTHER EXPENSES

No conference fee is charged for the participation in the Forum. Travel, subsistence, and accommodation expenses are borne by the participants unless special prior individual arrangements have been made directly with UNECE and other donors.

# VII. PROGRAMME AND DOCUMENTATION

The final version of the Forum programme will be available to participants on the <u>website</u>. The provisional programme, the case study material, and other documents pertaining to the Forum are available <u>here</u> and they are uploaded on this webpage as soon as they become available.

You will be provided with a summarized version of the programme at the same time that you will be provided with your lapel badge. The summarized version of the programme will only state the schedule, the title of the sessions and the room where each session will take place.

Please note that the full length programme will not be provided, so we ask you to please check this webpage regularly and make sure that you bring with you all documents required for the meeting.

#### VIII. INTERPRETATION AND VISUAL AIDS

Simultaneous interpretation in English, Russian and Spanish will be provided in the Auditorium and main conference rooms. Other sessions will be conducted in English only.

#### IX. TRAVEL AND HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Participants are requested to make their own hotel/accommodation and travel arrangements to and from Barcelona. Please plan to arrive in Barcelona by Tuesday, 3 May, and depart either on Friday, 6 May (after 7 p.m.) or on Saturday, 7 May. You may find the list of recommended hotels here.

Meetings will take place at IESE on Wednesday, 4 May and Friday, 6 May, while meetings on Thursday, 5 May will take place in the city centre at the headquarters of Barcelona Activa.

#### X. CONNECTIVITY

All conference rooms and public spaces are equipped with Wi-Fi connection. The service is free of charge and password is required.

### **XI. PASSPORTS AND VISAS**

All participants should be in possession of a valid ID card or passport, with an entry visa (if required), which can be obtained from the diplomatic representation of Spain in their country of residence. It is advisable to make such <u>visa applications</u> well in advance of the date required. Kindly note that the Consulates of Spain may not be able to issue visas on time in case of late applications so please check with the local Spanish Consulate for more information on issuance of Schengen visas. The secretariat will provide participants with letters of invitations that could be used as a supporting document to the visa application form. Please inform the secretariat by email (<a href="mailto:ppp@un.org">ppp@un.org</a>) well in advance in case you need a visa invitation letter.

# XII. CAFETERIA AT IESE

You will be attending to Forum sessions at IESE on Wednesday, 4 and Friday, 6 May 2022. The Campus is located in a residential area and we would like to inform you that restaurant options are limited in the surroundings.

IESE premises are conceived as a plastic water bottle-free environment, therefore please bring your own reusable one. There are free dispensers on campus.

### XIII. MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES/FACILITIES AT IESE

Below is a list of miscellaneous services and facilities available to participants at IESE. These services are provided during normal office hours:

- Coffee & vending machines: accept only credit card payment.
- Bookshop: TROA bookshop, with opening hours from 9:00 14:00 and 15:00 18:00.

- WIFI: Access is free of charge and the password will be provided inside each classroom.
- No plastic: IESE does not provide or sell single use plastic items such as plastic water bottles, singleuse coffee cups, plastic cutlery, etc. We suggest you bringing your own water bottle that can be filled with filtered water in the fountains you will find on campus.
- Taxi: You can ask in reception to call a cab for you or from Security at the entrance of each campus. IESE normally works with <a href="mailto:raxi ecologic">Taxi ecologic</a> (Tel: (+34 93) 932 783 000 / e-Mail: <a href="mailto:info@taxiecologic.com">info@taxiecologic.com</a>).

### **XIV. INSURANCE**

Delegates are advised to take a travel and medical insurance before their departure that covers the duration of their stay in Barcelona.

#### XV. FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information on the session can be obtained from the <u>UNECE PPP website</u>. For general enquiries, including issues related to travel and visas, please contact the secretariat by email at <u>PPP@un.org</u>.

### XVI. EVENING RECEPTIONS

A Cocktail Reception hosted by IESE Business School will be held at the end of the session on Wednesday, 4 May at the room Q-300 located in the North Campus of IESE, to which all delegates attending the International PPP Forum in person are invited.

A Cocktail Reception hosted by the Barcelona City Council will be held on Thursday, 5 May at 7 p.m. at the <u>Saló de Cent, Ayuntamiento de Barcelona</u>, located at Plaza Sant Jaume, 1, to which all delegates attending the International PPP Forum in person are invited.

# **XVII. OPTIONAL SITE VISITS**

Optional parallel site visits have been organised on Thursday, 5 May from 3.15 p.m. by the Barcelona City Council. The visit will allow participants to learn about operational PPPs and infrastructure projects in the Barcelona area. The maximum capacity is 20 people for each of the three site visits (a maximum of 60 participants). If you are interested in the site visits, you are kindly requested to register here in advance.

The proposed site visits are:

- **Districtima:** District heating and cooling network for use in heating, air conditioning, and sanitary hot water (website)
- TERSA: Waste management and renewable energy plant (<u>website</u>)
- **TRAM:** Public transport networks (<u>website</u>)

# XVIII. COVID-19

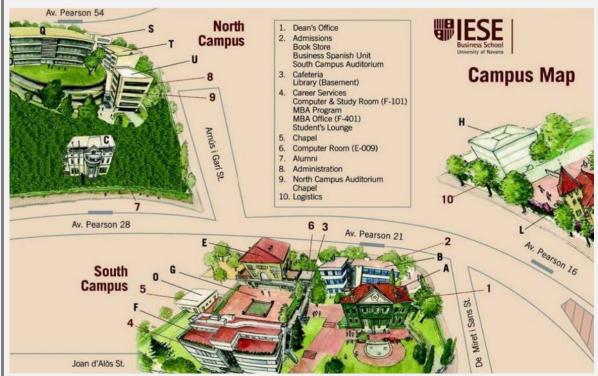
Masks will only remain required in public transportation and in medical clinics and hospitals until further notice. We would like to remind you that you should not come to the premises if you have any COVID-19 type symptoms.

#### **USEFUL INFORMATION**

# **IESE | North and South Campuses**

Sessions on Wednesday 4 and Friday 6 May 2022

North Campus: Carrer d'Arnús i de Garí, 3-7 | South Campus: Av. de Pearson, 21



# **Barcelona Activa | Seu Central**

Sessions on Thursday, 5 May (morning)

Carrer Llacuna, 162, Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain



# **Barcelona City Council** Pl. de Sant Jaume, 1, 08002, Barcelona, Spain Gallo Nero Plaça de Sant Jaume Italian • \$ Carrel de Jaurne Gran Hotel Barcino 4.0 ★ (495) 4-star hotel Plaça de Sant Just Pl. de Sant Jaume Palau de la Generalitat de Catalunya Medieval building & Carrer d'Harcules **(2)** Mercer Hotel Barcel 4.6 ★ ( 5-star l Restaurant Loto Barcelona City Hall Gothic city hall with an art gallery Carter de Festan Bodega L Vives de la Cortada, Minerales... Airy, barrel-spot for tap Rock shop L'Ascensor I

# Optional site visits

Site visits on Thursday, 5 May (afternoon)



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