ECOC 2015 Conference Delegate Information

We are glad to welcome you as a delegate at the 41st European Conference on Optical Communication.

The following information is designed to help you while participating in ECOC 2015 and to enhance your experience and satisfaction.

Please have your REGISTRATION ID Number ready to pick-up all the material. Your ID was enclosed in the attached pdf file to your registration ack email. If you have any doubt or you cannot retrieve your ID please contact ecoc2015@viajeseci.es

ECOC Conference Venue
Feria Valencia Convention and Exhibition Centre (CEC)
Avenida Ferias s/n - 46035 Valencia.
Please refer to Maps info (at the end of this document)

How to get to Valencia & the Venue

**Metro from Airport:** Two subway lines L3 & L5 link the airport to the city. The subway station is located in the underground floor of the arrivals terminal. You need to purchase a magnetic card and load it with a number of journeys. This card is not personal, so it can be shared by several passengers when traveling together. It entitles you to use the subway along the city network (see map) and it can be recharged at any time by using automatic machines located at any metro station. The Metro ride from the airport to the city center is about 25 minutes. For more information go to: [http://www.metrovalencia.es/page.php?idioma=_en](http://www.metrovalencia.es/page.php?idioma=_en)

**Taxi from Airport:** There is a “flat fee” from the airport to the city center of 20 €; in the case of traveling to the beach area rates may reach 25 €.

**Private transfer from Airport:** A prepaid private transfer service with English speaking driver can be arranged in advance. Please, send an email with your request to get a budget proposal: ecoc2015@viajeseci.es

**Free bus transfer to/from CEC.** The ECOC Conference will provide a free transfer and return service from the city to the Venue. This service will cover 4 routes clustered around four different areas of the city: Area 1 // Area 2 // Area 3a // Area 3b. (See maps)

This service will operate twice a day:

1) **To the CEC:** Please refer to details on timetables and schedules posted on the Website, the App, at the official Hotels and the Venue. You are kindly requested to be punctual for a better service.

2) **From the CEC:** After the working day or Social Events during ECOC Conference days, Sunday 27th September to Thursday 1st October. The buses will depart from the inner street between
Central Forum (registration building) and Pavilion 1, (Exhibition Hall, see map) will be indicated by ECOC staff.

The Meeting point for each bus route will be clearly informed at the Website, www.ecoc2015.org, the Conference App and at the official Hotels, depending on each Area. On Thursday 1st October, a transfer out service will also be provided from CEC to the Valencia Manises Airport and to AVE Train Station Joaquin Sorolla. For a complete timetable description of bus transfers please consult the last page of this document.

**Shuttle services** will be provided at fixed hours during the ECOC Conference days, from Sunday 27th September to Thursday 1st October connecting the Venue to the city centre; Plaza del Ayuntamiento 4, in front of Hotel Melia Plaza. (see map)

- Departure times from Feria Valencia, roundabout near Central Forum main entrance to Plaza del Ayuntamiento 4, in front of Hotel Melia Plaza:
  - 11:00 h, 12:00 h, 13:00 h, 14:00 h and 15:00 h
- Departure from Plaza del Ayuntamiento 4 to Feria Valencia:
  - 10:00 h, 11:00 h, 12:00 h, 13:00 h, 14:00 h and 15:00 h

For a complete timetable description of shuttle services please consult the last page of this document.

**Electrical charging points**

There will be electrical charging points distributed along the 4 levels on the Conference Venue (CEC) so all attendees can charge electrical devices.

Spanish electric supply relevant data are: voltage: 220 v, frequency: 50 Hz

Depending on your device, a plug adaptor may be necessary; please check in advance.

**Accommodation**

**Viajes El Corte Inglés S.A.- MICE Division** is the official agency for ECOC 2015. Qualified staff will provide onsite assistance for hotel booking and other services at the Information Desk located at Pavilion 1 Hall, before the access to the Exhibition area (see map) as follows:

- Sunday: 12:00 – 18:00 h
- Monday to Wednesday: 08:30 – 18:00 h
- Thursday: 08:30 – 16:00 h

Outside these hours, you can contact them at:
Email: accommodationecoc2015@viajeseci.es
Phone: +34 660 547 936
web: www.ecoc2015.org
No smoking policy
Smoking is prohibited inside any building; venue, hotels, buses, etc. Smoking is only allowed at open air zones.

Lost-And-Found
Lost-and Found will be collected at Baggage Room, located at Conference Venue (CEC), Level 4

Insurance
The Organizers cannot be held responsible for accidents to participants or for damage to or loss of their personal property howsoever caused.

Conference Registration Hall Opening Times:
Sunday 11:00 - 18:00 h
Monday - Wednesday 08:00 - 18:00 h
Thursday 08:00 - 16:00 h
The Conference Registration Hall is located at Central Forum (see map)

Pre-registered delegates
1. Please register using the touch screens in the registration area. You will be asked to enter your 4 digit Registration ID number stated on the Confirmation Letter sent to you upon registration. We suggest you bring your Confirmation Letter with your Registration ID and details of your paid services.
2. Take your badge out of the machine – you will need to show it to collect your delegate bag.
3. Go to the conference bag desk to collect your delegate bag and badge holder.

Name badges
Delegate badges must be worn at all times to gain access to the conference sessions, exhibition and social events.

Gala Dinner Registration
Conference delegates who have registered and paid for the conference Gala Dinner will get a Ticket at the Information Desk located at Pavilion 1 Hall, before the access to the Exhibition area.
We suggest you bring your Confirmation Letter with Registration ID and detail of paid services. A ticket is mandatory to access the Gala Dinner.
If you want to purchase additional Gala Dinner tickets, you can do it by booking and paying them at the Information Desk.
The Gala Dinner will take place on Wednesday 29th September at 20,30 h.
Hotel Balneario Las Arenas 5* GL
Room Diana
Calle Eugènia Viñes 22-24  zip code 46001 Valencia
To help you to find the exact location, please refer to Hotels Map (H16)

Welcome Reception
Attendance to the Welcome Reception is included in your registration fee, conference delegates will not be issued a ticket, and your badge will grant your access. If you want to purchase any extra Welcome Reception ticket, you must book and pay for it at the Information Desk located at Pavilion 1 Hall, before the access to the Exhibition area. Unless registered Conference badge is shown, a ticket is mandatory to access the Welcome Reception.

Baggage Room and Cloakroom for Delegates
There is a cloakroom/baggage room facility inside the Conference Venue (CEC) located on Level 4, close to main entrance. It is exclusively for the use of registered participants to the conference, and is free of charge. A proof of conference registration (Badge) will be requested when dropping the luggage. Drop off luggage without a proof of conference registration will be refused without any possibility of claim. Computers, devices or valuables objects won’t be accepted. The Organizers cannot be held responsible for damage to or loss of their personal property howsoever caused.

Conference Opening hours:
Sunday 11:00 - 21:00 h
Monday 08:00 - 21:00 h
Tuesday 08:00 - 18:30 h
Wednesday 08:00 - 18:30 h
Thursday 08:00 - 16:30 h

Help Desk
If you get lost or need any assistance in getting to any particular conference room, a hostess will assist you at the Conference Venue (CEC) Level 4 close to the main entrance or/and at Information Desk located at Pavilion 1 Hall, before the access to the Exhibition area.

Press Room
The Press Room is located in the Conference Venue, Level 2
Only press representatives correctly identified will be allowed to use this room.
Lunch
Lunch is NOT included in the conference registration fees. However there are a variety of “Food & Beverage selling points” and Restaurants along the Conference Venue (CEC) Level 1 as well as inside the Exhibition venue Pavilion 1.

Coffee breaks
Coffee breaks are included in the conference registration and will be held in the following places and times:

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Food & Beverage selling points
A wide range of places to eat & drink will be available inside and near the Conference & Exhibition Centre.

At the Conference Venue (CEC) Level 1:
A self-service Restaurant will be open from Monday to Thursday: 12.00 h - 14.00 h
Also at Level 1 - inside Pavilion 5, – a selling point will operate with the following schedule (apart from Delegates Coffee Break hours):
Sunday: 12.30 h - 15.00 h
Monday to Wednesday: 09.00 h - 17.00 h
Thursday: 09.00 h - 15.30 h

At the ECOC Exhibition area:
Three Coffee Break areas will be selling food & beverages during Exhibition opening hours – when not dedicated to serving the Delegates Coffee Break.
Two small cafeterias will also be selling snacks & drinks along the main hall between Pavilion 1 and 2, Calle Mayor.
Two restaurants “El Pan y la Sal” will be open at the Level Mall.

At Walking Distance of the Fira Valencia Convention Center:
A Chinese restaurant “El Duke” is just 200 m away, in front of the main entrance.
Also the Hotel Tryp Valencia - located 500 m from the venue – has a restaurant open to general public.
Other small local restaurants in the area will opened from Monday to Friday.

ECOC 2015 App

The Conference App ECOC 2015 is available to download for Android devices (https://play.google.com/store/apps) and Apple devices (https://www.apple.com/itunes/). To acces the internal part and download the papers use the following access keys:

User: sent by email 24th September

Password: sent by email 24th September

Wi-Fi
There will be free 600 Mb/s WIFI access (sponsored by telefónica) available in the conference venue, CEC. The Wi-Fi network and password are:
Wi-Fi Network: ECOC2015
Password: VLC2K15ECOC
All wireless services, regardless of location or service provider, are susceptible to interference. This can lead at some times and depending on the traffic load to loss of connectivity, slow network traffic and poor performance.

Social media
Search LinkedIn Groups for “ECOC 2015” and join the conversation or tweet to @ECOC2015 or share your Instagram moments with #ECOC2015.

Currency & ATM Machine
The currency in Spain is Euros €.
The venue has an ATM Machine located in the main distribution Hall, between Pavilion 1 and Pavilion 2.
**Messages**
A board is at the disposal of delegates in the Conference Venue, CEC, Level 4 to leave messages to their colleagues and friends.

**First Aid**
In case of medical emergency or unexpected need, please report to the Onsite Registration Desk located in the Central Forum. They will call qualified staff to assist you.

**ECOC Exhibition**
The ECOC Exhibition will take place in the Pavilion 1 – Feria Valencia
The conference participants may access directly the exhibition exiting from the conference area on ground floor (Level 4) walking 100 meters along a nice open air area. Follow the signs.

**Exhibition opening hours:**
Monday 09:30 – 17:00 h
Tuesday 09:30 – 17:00 h
Wednesday 09:30 – 16:00 h

On Tuesday 29th September, the conference will stop from 10:30 to 14:00 h to allow the Conference delegates to visit the Exhibition.

**ECOC 2015 Programme**
Details of times and technical sessions can be found on the ECOC website http://www.ecoc2015.org/conference-programme.html
A printed copy of the programme will be included inside Conference Bag upon registration. A digital copy of the programme and papers will be also included in a USB memory stick inside the Conference Bag.

**Workshops**
Sunday 27th September 13:30-18:00
Conference Venue, CEC, Malvarrosa Auditorium and Rooms: Saler, Cabanyal, Arenas, Perelló & Pinedo Levels 3,2,& 1.

See details in your printed copy of the programme, in the website or in the Conference App ECOC 2015. The 6 workshops are open to all conference delegates. Workshop-only registration is also available.

The presentations can be downloaded from the website:
**Login:** sent by email 24th September
**Password:** sent by email 24th September
Plenary Session
Monday 28th September 10:00-12:00
Malvarrosa Auditorium - Conference venue (CEC) Level 1 & 2
The plenary session is open to delegates, exhibitors / exhibition visitors and the general public.

Poster Session
The poster area will be located at Pavilion 5, Conference Venue, CEC, Level 1. (see map)
You can display your poster at any time during the Conference and they may remain until the end of the Conference on 1st October at 16:00h. Posters not withdrawn after that time will be destroyed.
For further author instructions please see http://www.ECOC2015.org/authors.html
The poster session will be held on Tuesday 29th September 16:15 - 18:00 h
Pavilion 5 at Conference venue (CEC) Level 1
Valencian horchata (sweet soft drink made from chufas ("tiger nuts") as well as wine and beer tasting service will be offered to delegates during the poster session.

Oral Sessions
All oral, contributed, invited, tutorial, symposia and post-deadline sessions will be presented at the Conference Venue (CEC) Malvarrosa Auditorium and Rooms: Saler, Cabanyal, Arenas, Perelló & Pinedo Levels 3,2,& 1.
The sessions are scheduled from Monday 28th September to Thursday 1st October
See details in your printed copy of the programme or in the web site or App.

Speaker room
The speaker room is located at Conference Venue (CEC) Level 3.
Authors are asked to visit the speaker room during opening hours but at least 4 hours before the presentation time to upload their PowerPoint presentations slides and ensure their compatibility with the audiovisual equipment.
For authors scheduled on Sunday, during a workshop, they should bring their memory stick at least 1 hour before the beginning of the workshop, directly to the workshop room.
Speaker Room opening hours:
Sunday 12:00 - 18:00 h
Monday – Wednesday 08:00 - 18:00 h
Thursday 08:00 - 15:00 h

Closing Ceremony.
ADVA sponsored Best Student Paper Awards, Harm Dorren Commemoration Prize and Nature Photonics sponsored Best Postdeadline Paper
Thursday 1st October 15:30 – 16:00 h
The closing ceremony, including the Best student paper awards sponsored by ADVA, the Harm Dorren Commemoration Prize and the Best Postdeadline Paper sponsored by Nature Photonics, will take place in Malvarrosa Auditorium, Conference Venue (CEC) Level 1 & 2. The closing ceremony is open to all registered participants.

**Author information – IMPORTANT**
For further author instructions please see http://www.ecoc2015.org/authors.html

**Post-deadline papers proceedings**
ECOC 2015 Printed proceedings of post-deadline papers will be available starting Tuesday 29th September morning at the Conference Venue CEC, Level 4, close to the Main Entrance. The post-deadline papers can be downloaded from the website:
- **Login:** ecoc2015
- **Password:** downloadpapers
Also, they can be downloaded from the Conference App ECOC 2015

**SOCIAL EVENTS**

**Get Together Drink – Sunday 27th September – 18:15 – 19:30**
Conference Venue (CEC) Level 1.
Join your colleagues for a pre-conference drink.
Access is free to all registered delegates.

**Young Researchers Meeting. – Sunday 27th September – 19:30 – 20:45**
For the first time, ECOC will hold a young researcher’s meeting after the get together drink on Sunday.

**Welcome Reception – Monday 28th September – 18:15 – 19:30**
Conference Venue (CEC) Level 1.
Entry to the Welcome Reception is free to all conference registered participants and those who have bought an extra ticket.

**Rump Session – Monday 28th September – 19:30 – 20:30**
An exciting and provocative Rump Session. Discuss with your colleagues about future developments enjoying Spanish wine and tapas. Don’t miss the opportunity of attending Europe’s leading conference in the field of Optical Communications. Discover the novel technical and social events featured in this year's edition!

> “Optical innovation, quo vadis?“

**Gala Dinner – Wednesday, 30th September – 20:30 – 23:00**
Hotel Balneario Las Arenas, Room Diana, Las Arenas Beach
The Gala Dinner is NOT included in the conference registration fee. If you have booked and paid to attend the Gala Dinner, you must have visited the Information Desk to pick-up your ticket as previously indicated. Ticket is mandatory to access the Gala Dinner. A limited number of tickets are still available to purchase from the Information Desk located at Pavilion 1 Hall, before the access to the Exhibition area.
The Gala Dinner will take place on Wednesday 29th September at 20:30 h.

Hotel Balneario Las Arenas 5* GL
Room Diana
Calle Eugènia Viñes 22-24 zip code 46001 Valencia
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Weather
The weather in Valencia in September is generally pleasantly warm with temperatures ranging from 18º C to 26º C.

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Thanks for your cooperation and have a great ECOC 2015, see you in Valencia!!!
MAPS

Level 3

Level 2
BUS TRANSFER TO THE CONFERENCE/EXHIBITION

The Conference will provide a free transfer service from the city to the Venue and return.
This service will have 4 routes: Area 1 // Area 2 // Area 3a // Area 3b.
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The return from the Venue will be after the daily session and/or the social events.

SHUTTLE SERVICE

In addition to the Bus Transfers, a free shuttle service from the Conference Venue to the city center will operate during the next days and times.

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