Conference venue

The ESA RN21 2022 mid-term conference "Quantitative methods and the COVID19pandemic" will be held at University of Salamanca, Spain from 4th to 7th October 2022. The meetings and conferences will be at the Hospedería Fonseca (Calle Fonseca 2, 37007-Salamanca, Spain). Some meetings will be also held at the Colegio Fonseca (next to the Hospedería).

Getting to Salamanca

Salamanca is in Western Spain, in the autonomous region of Castilla y León. It's 214 km far from Madrid. If you are coming from outside Spain, the easiest way is to fly to Madrid (Madrid-Barajas Airport), and then take a bus or train, both of which have services regularly. The trip from Madrid to Salamanca takes approximately two hours. If you are coming from Portugal or France, you can also get here by bus or train.



How to get to Salamanca

By car:

Salamanca is well connected to Madrid and the rest of Spain through the public road network, which includes numerous free highways. If travelling by car, the highways A-62 and A-66 take you straight to the city. If you are travelling from Madrid, you need to take the A-50. It takes around two hours to get to Salamanca. The only traffic restrictions in the city are in the historic area. In summer it's not difficult to park outdoors, but both on Campus and in a great part of the city center temporary parking is subject to payment ("Blue Zone"). However, a few minutes from the Congress venue there are large free parking areas.

By bus:

To get to Salamanca from Madrid, this is one of the best options. There are several buses a day in both directions, both directly from Madrid-Barajas Airport (Terminal 1 and 4) and Madrid South Station. There are also connections from Santiago de Compostela, Seville, Porto and Lisbon, among other cities. The bus station of Salamanca is less than a ten-minute walk away from the Congress venue. You can buy the tickets and check the timetables at: <u>www.avanzabus.com</u>. You can also contact by phone on +34 902 02 09 99.

By train:

If you prefer to travel by train, RENFE (Spanish National Railways) has daily services from Madrid, Lisbon, Oporto, Paris, and other connections. There is a direct train from the train station located at the Terminal 4 in the Madrid Airport to get to Madrid Chamartín Railway Station, and it takes 15 minutes. Otherwise, you should take underground line 8 to Nuevos Ministerios underground station, and then transfer to line 10 which takes you to "Chamartín". The duration of the trips varies between an hour and a half and three hours. Salamanca Train Station is within the city, but around 3 km away from the Congress venue. Train tickets and timetables are available on its webpage: www.renfe.es or call +34 902 24 02 02.

By plane:

Apart from the connection through the airport Madrid-Barajas, Salamanca also has its own small airport, located in the nearby town of Matacán, 22 km away from the city center, which operates flights from airports such as Barcelona, Palma de Mallorca, or Tenerife, but mainly in summer. Current offer is very reduced due to the pandemic. Furthermore, you can travel to Valladolid by plane from some Spanish and European cities, and then travel by bus or train to Salamanca, in a short distance of 120 km (less than an hour and a half). For more information visit <u>www.aena.es</u>.

To move within the city:

The most recommended means of getting around Salamanca is by foot. There is also a wide network of adapted public buses at a very reasonable price with several lines that pass through where the Congress will be held. There are numerous taxi ranks at the stations and throughout the city, and the service of adapted vehicles can be requested in advance. We wish you a pleasant and safe trip to Salamanca!