



## PRACTICAL INFORMATION

# ALTE 52ND CONFERENCE DAY

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23 November 2018  
Salamanca, Spain

# ALTE 52ND MEETING & CONFERENCE DAY

## Welcome to Salamanca!

Welcome to the City of Salamanca. First of all, on behalf of the University, we want to welcome you and, secondly, thank you for celebrating our 800 anniversary by attending the 52nd Meeting and Conference Day. There could not be a better reason to hold another ALTE meeting here.

As many of you already know, the Universidad de Salamanca was a founding partner of ALTE back in 1989. Since then, our University has continued working in the field of Assessment with different certifications. This is our fourth ALTE meeting and we have paid particular attention so that you all remember this meeting as something special. Therefore, we have prepared an academic and social programme with all our affection.

## Travel Information

The easiest way to reach Salamanca is by plane. The closest international airport to Salamanca is Aeropuerto Adolfo Suárez Madrid-Barajas (Madrid), which is 215 km away from the city and which is well-connected to the centre of Madrid by underground, city bus and taxi.

### By bus

There is an express bus service (Terminals 1 and 4) which connects Madrid and Salamanca in approximately two and a half hours and leaves 8 times per day. All the terminals are connected by a circular free bus.

From the centre of Madrid you can take the coach to Salamanca (Estación Sur de autobuses de Madrid. C/ Méndez Álvaro, 83). Length of trip: two and a half hours. Coaches leave every hour. For further information visit the website ([www.avanzabus.com](http://www.avanzabus.com)).

From the airport (T1, T2, T3 and T4) to the bus station Méndez Álvaro by underground, you need to take Line 8 until Nuevos Ministerios and then you need to transfer to Circle Line 6 from Nuevos Ministerios until Méndez Álvaro.

The taxi fare from Aeropuerto Adolfo Suárez Madrid-Barajas to anywhere in Madrid is 30 €.

Once in Salamanca, you can take a taxi from the coach station to the hotel. The taxi fare would probably be between 5-6 €, depending on the situation of the hotel.

Or you can either take a 10 minute walk to the venue and 15 minutes to the centre.

### By train

There are two options from the Estación de Chamartin (C/ Agustín de Foxá):

- Take the ALVIA. Length of trip: one and a half hours . It leaves four times daily.
- Take a regular train. Length of the trip: two and a half to three hours. Several daily trains.

All those attending the meeting who wish to travel by train will benefit from a 30% discount on the Renfe lines. To benefit this discount, you must enter a code when booking or buying the ticket once you have been registered for the conference. To apply this code, please, send an email to [alte\\_conference@usal.es](mailto:alte_conference@usal.es)

More information about the trains is available on the website [www.renfe.com](http://www.renfe.com).

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From the airport (T4) to the Estación de Chamartin you can take the Cercanías train (it takes you 10 minutes and leaves every 15 minutes). This is the fastest and easiest way. If you arrive at T1, T2 or T3 you can take the circular bus to T4 (or the other way is by underground), then you need to take Line 8 until Nuevos Ministerios and at Nuevos Ministerios you need to transfer to Line 10 which you will take to get to the Estación de Chamartín. The Vialia train station in Salamanca is about 25 minutes walk from the centre. There are public buses (lines 1 and 11) that connect to the city centre.

## Maps & Directions

Salamanca is a small and very walkable city. The hotels that we have selected for the conference attendees are placed in the city centre and near of the Meeting and Conference Day location. People from Salamanca are used to walking everywhere.

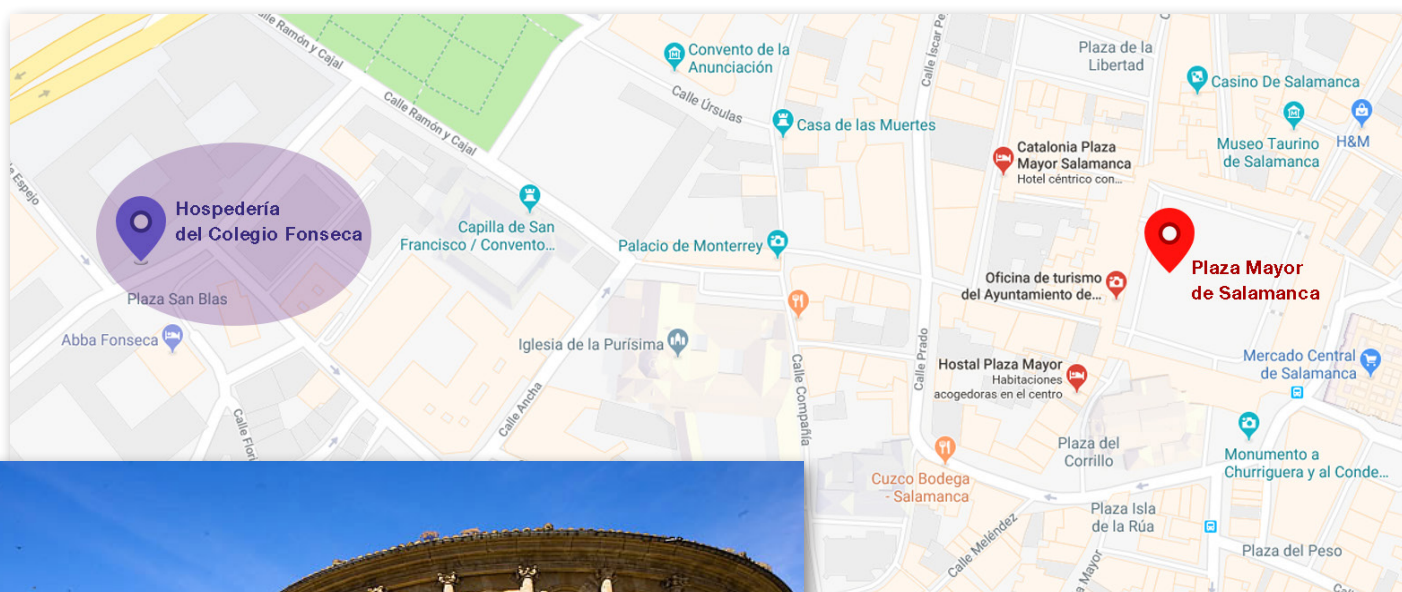
### VENUE

#### Hospedería del Colegio Fonseca

Calle Fonseca, 2, 37002 Salamanca

Tfno: 923 29 47 60

The place to be for the conference, the SIGs, and the workshops.



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## Accommodation

The city of Salamanca presents a wide range of accommodation of all kinds. However, 2018 is a key year for the city, since it celebrates the 800th anniversary of its University, and, therefore, there is high hotel occupancy throughout the year.

In order to facilitate and guarantee hotel reservation for all those attending the meeting, a sufficient number of rooms have been blocked in different hotels in the city from the night of 20 November, with special prices for ALTE. Below there is a list of selected hotels and prices for double and single rooms.

To benefit from the blocked rooms, you must fill in and sign this accommodation **form**, and send it to **usal@viajeseci.es**, identifying the email with the name ALTE Conference, by 28 September. It is important to bear in mind that, after the indicated deadlines, the organisation cannot guarantee the availability of rooms in the selected hotels.

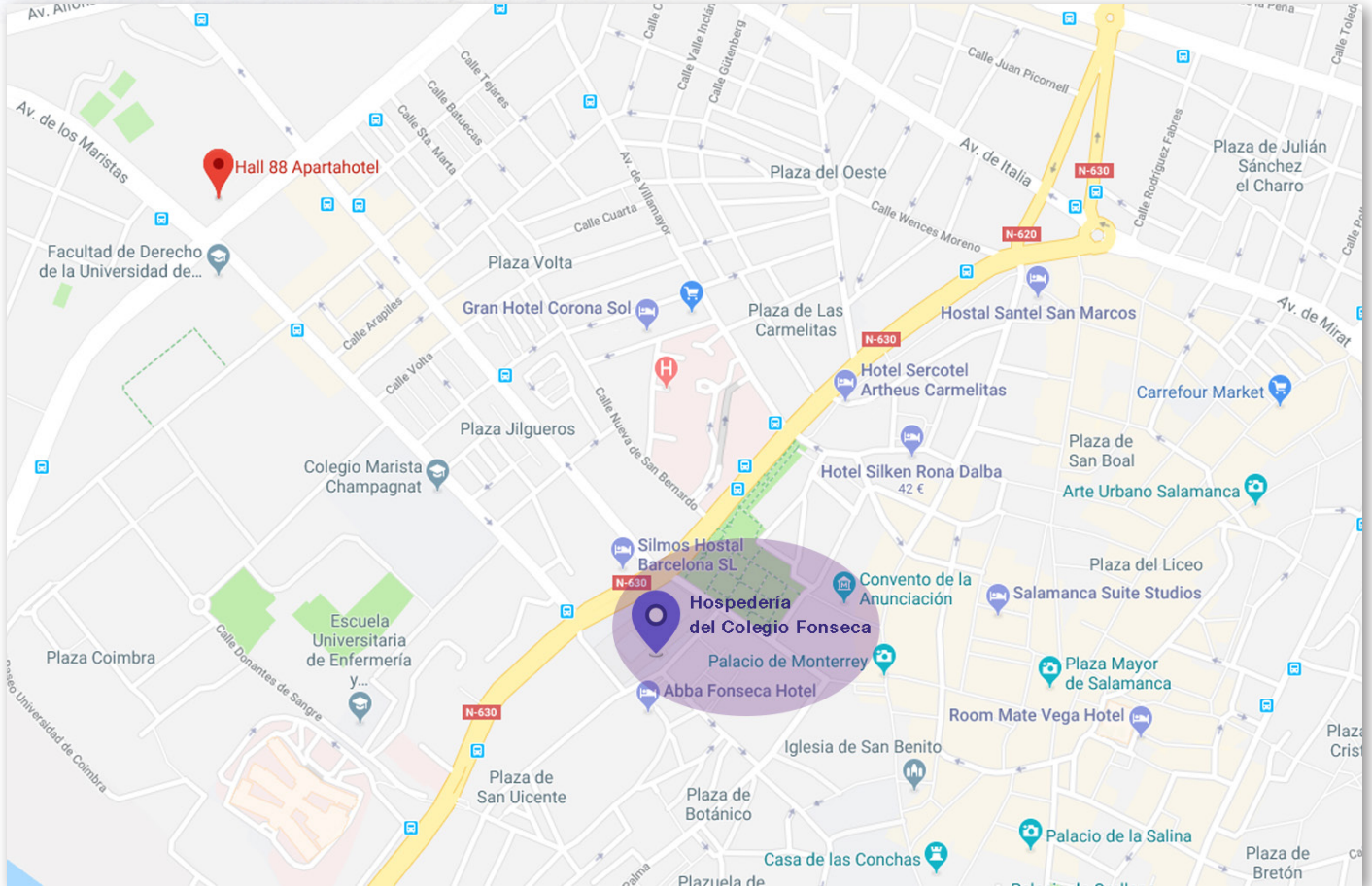


Plaza Mayor, Salamanca

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## Hotels

### Hall 88 Aparthotel



Calle Peña de Francia, 48, 37007 Salamanca

[www.aparthotelhall88.com](http://www.aparthotelhall88.com)



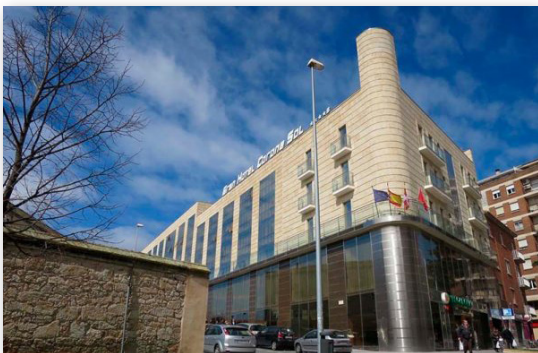
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## Gran Hotel Corona Sol



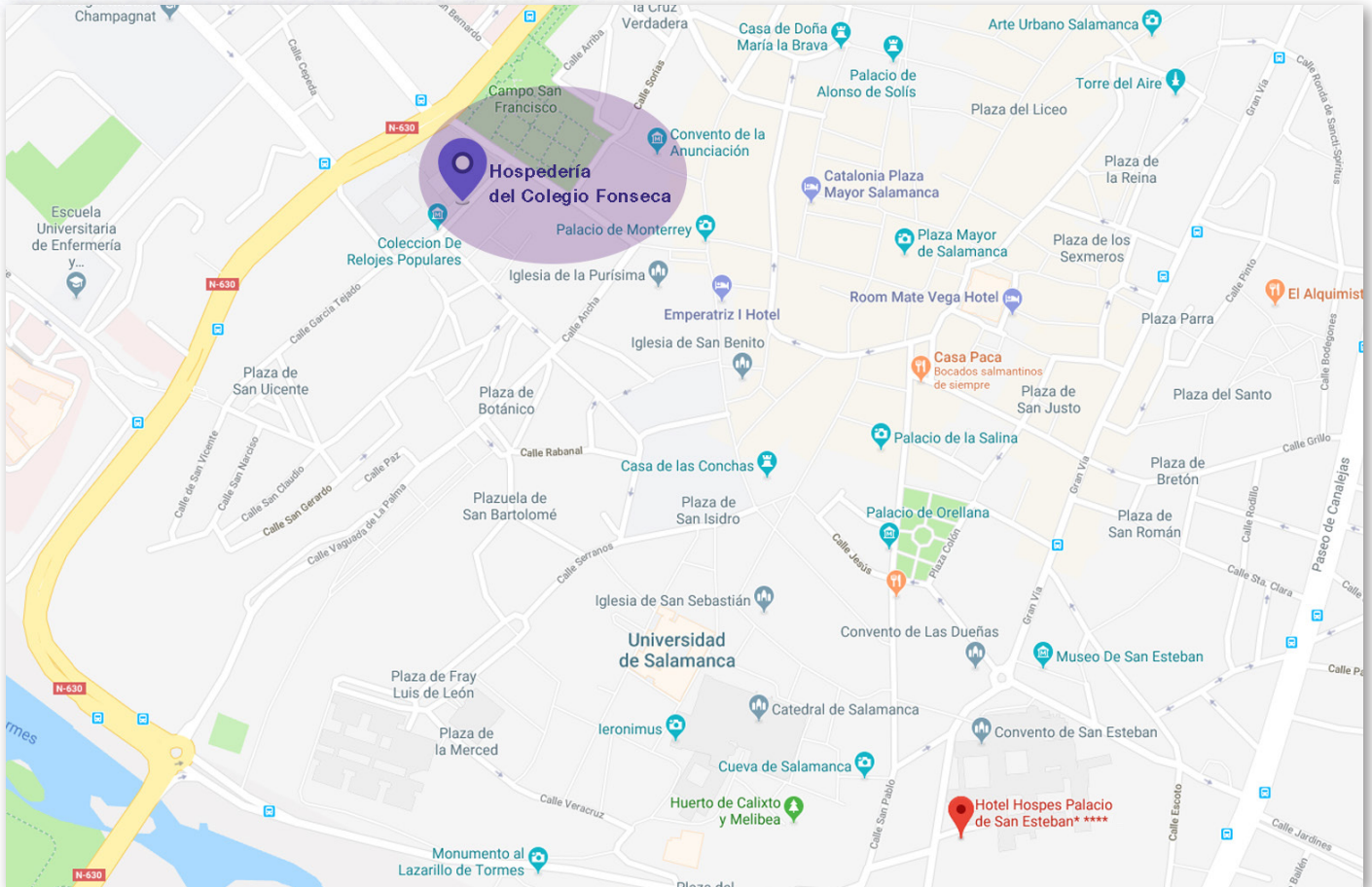
Av. de Villamayor, 31, 37007 Salamanca

[www.gran-hotelcoronasol.es](http://www.gran-hotelcoronasol.es)



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## Hospes Palacio de San Esteban



Arroyo de Santo Domingo, 3, 37008 Salamanca

[www.hospes.com/es/salamanca-palacio\\_esteban](http://www.hospes.com/es/salamanca-palacio_esteban)



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## Lunch/Dinner

When you come to Spain and to cities like Salamanca, you cannot leave without going out for tapas or pinchos. What we usually do is order a drink and the waiter then asks us what pincho/tapa we want. This pincho/tapa is usually included in the price.

Sometimes the choice becomes difficult because you don't know what to choose. It is also an economical way to have lunch or dinner, instead of going to a restaurant.

Almost all gastronomic life is found in the Plaza Mayor and its surroundings, although it is easy to find places to have a drink in almost the entire city. We cannot forget that Salamanca has 4.2 bars per 1000 inhabitants, so we will limit our review to a few.

### CASA PACA

Expensive place as restaurant, but marvellous for tapas. The problem will be to choose one and just one.



Plaza del Peso, 10  
+34 923 21 89 93



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## MESÓN CERVANTES

In the Plaza Mayor, located on the first floor from which you can have a beautiful view of the square. Informal place to take tapas for lunch or dinner.



Plaza Mayor, 15  
+34 923 21 72 13

## DOZE RESTAURANTE

Young atmosphere. Just on the edge of Plaza Mayor. Mediterranean food.



Calle Isla de La Rúa, 3  
+34 923 211 423

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## RESTAURANTE EL LAUREL

Vegetarian restaurant that offers a very varied menu and at very good prices. It is advisable to book a table in advance because it is in high demand.



Calle San Pablo, 49  
+34 923 26 06 01

## RESTAURANTE VINOTECA VINODIARIO

One of the best places in the city if what you like is Mediterranean food with wines from all over the country.



Plaza de Los Basílios, 1  
+34 923 61 49 25

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## RESTAURANTE EL BARDO

A classic in the city that offers set menu at a great price and with a lot of variety.



Calle Compañía, 8  
+34 923 21 90 89

## CAFÉS

### CAFÉ NOVELTY

The most iconic bar in the city. It is a cafe like the ones of the early 20th century, with a terrace in the Plaza Mayor that allows customers to watch the lively life of Salamanca. If it's not too cold, at noon it's a good time to have a drink.



Plaza Mayor, 2  
+34 923 21 99 90

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## CAFÉ BAR MANDALA

It is a well-known place for the university community. It is famous for its tea and smoothies menu. It has many tapas too and offers a daily menu.



Calle Serranos, 9  
+34 923 12 33 42

## CHOCOLATERÍA VALOR

Located near the Historical Building of the University, it is famous place to have chocolate with churros.



Calle Libreros, 14  
+34 923 26 64 21

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If you have any questions about the programme, the events or the town, or you are unable to attend the ALTE meeting and Conference, please do not hesitate to contact us.