

## SEMINAR

**Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2009**

*How do we know we are doing well?*

## Practical Information

## CONTACT DETAILS

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## SEMINAR VENUES

### **Registration on Friday 13th November will take place at:**

Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona  
Hall of the Faculty of Communications Studies  
Bellaterra Campus  
08193 Bellaterra (Cerdanyola del Vallès)

### **The seminar will be held at:**

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November: Sala de Junttes  
Faculty of Communications Studies  
Bellaterra Campus  
Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona  
08193 Bellaterra (Cerdanyola del Vallès)

On Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November: Casa Convalescència  
C/ Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 171  
08041 Barcelona

## Hotel Information

Special rates, including breakfast, have been negotiated for participants of the WSAN Seminar at the following hotels. In order to obtain the rate negotiated by our host, the participants have to use the following reference:

### **“WSAN Seminar”**

*The local organiser has secured special rates with the hotels, WSAN cannot guarantee that these are the best rates available particularly now with the many hotel chains and internet suppliers selling hotel rooms. Please do not hesitate to check on the internet.*

**You are responsible for your own hotel reservation.**

***Deadline: 15<sup>th</sup> October***

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#### **HOTEL AMREY SANT PAU \*\***

(The level is three stars, but it has two stars because they do not have enough common rooms)

Single room + breakfast: 87, 00 € + 7€ tax per night

Double room + breakfast: 107, 50 € + 7€ tax per night

Address: Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 173 (esquina Sant Quintí), 08041 Barcelona

Telephone: ++ 34 93 433 51 51 Fax: ++ 34 93 433 41 51

E-Mail: [santpareservas@grupoamrey.com](mailto:santpareservas@grupoamrey.com)

Our host writes:

*We highly recommend this hotel, we have a very good relation with them. The service is excellent and when we have needed them, the result has always been very satisfactory. Furthermore, it's two minutes from Casa Convalescència where will take place the dinner of the first day and the second day of the seminar. (Remember that the first day it will take place in the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona in Bellaterra, out of the city of Barcelona)*

<http://www.amrey-hotels.com/hotelsantpau/index.php>

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#### **AYRE HOTEL ROSELLÓN \*\*\*\***

(Ayre Hotel Rosellón is a brand new hotel located near Gaudi's Sagrada Familia, in the heart of Barcelona's Eixample; besides, in the area around the hotel our guests will be able to find all means of transports.)

Single room + breakfast: 105, 00 € + 7€ tax per night  
Double room + breakfast: 115, 00 € + 7€ tax per night

Address: Rosselló 390, 08025 Barcelona  
Telephone: ++ 34.93.600.92.00 - Fax: ++ 34.93.600.92.01  
E-Mail: [reservas.rosellon@ayrehoteles.com](mailto:reservas.rosellon@ayrehoteles.com)

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

### Transport Information

For concise information about travelling around Barcelona please refer to the following sites:

<http://www.barcelonaturisme.com/> or

<http://www.bcn.es/english/ihome.htm>

*Warning! Please pay special attention for pick-pockets, particularly in La Ramblas and the metro.*

## 1. From Barcelona Airport to the hotels / to the University

### 1.1 Taxi

By taxi it will take about 45 minutes to Hotel Amrey St. Pau or to Hotel Ayre. The journey will cost approximately 30-35 €. If you travel directly to the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, the journey will take about 45 minutes and will cost approximately 40 €.

**Please make sure you take an official taxi from an official taxi rank.**

### 1.2 Bus and Public Transport

You can take different public transports between the airport and the hotels and between the airport and the University.

**Going from the airport to the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona-Bellaterra Campus**, venue of the seminar for the first day, you can take:

- The official airport bus *Aerobus* (departs every 12 minutes to the Plaça Catalunya from 6am to 11pm). The fare is about Single: 5,00€ - Return: 8,65€ – payable to the driver.
- The train to Plaça Catalunya. The name of the company is RENFE, the single ticket costs 2,80€.

Once in Plaça Catalunya, you can chose two different railway companies:

- **RENFE** (Spanish National Railway Network)

**Line C7 - Cerdanyola Universitat station.**

The journey takes around 30 minutes from the centre of Barcelona, with trains leaving every 30 minutes. A ten-journey ticket, which can be used by more than one person if travelling together, gives a 40% discount.

You can check the timetables by phoning +34 93 490 0202 or on the [RENFE website](#).

- **Ferrocarrils de la Generalitat de Catalunya (FGC)**

**Line S2:** Barcelona-Sabadell, station: Universitat Autònoma.

**Line S55:** Barcelona-Universitat Autònoma

All trains to Sabadell, UAB or Barcelona stop at the University. The journey time to Barcelona is 30 minutes, and trains depart approximately every 10 minutes. You can check the timetables by phoning 93 205 15 15 or on the [FGC website](#).

A single ticket to Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona costs 2,05€.

**Going from the airport to the hotels**, you can take:

- The official airport bus *Aerobus* (departs every 12 minutes to the Plaça Catalunya from 6am to 11pm. The fare is about Single: 5,00€ - Return: 8,65€ – payable to the driver).
- The train to Barcelona-Sants. The name of the company is RENFE, the single ticket costs 2,80€.

Then check the suitable stop of the metro line. The best option for both hotels is:

**L5 – Blue:**

**Stops** “Hospital de Sant Pau” or “Sagrada Familia”

**L1 – Red:**

If you are in Plaça Catalunya, you need to take L1-Red first, and then transfer to L5-Blue line.

Single ticket to travel by metro costs 1,35€. A ten journeys ticket of metro costs 7,70€ (you can also use this ticket for common buses in Barcelona –not the tourist bus).

**Lunch and Dinner**

Lunch and dinner for participants will be provided on 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> November 2009.

## **Social Programme**

### **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November**

19:30h      Dinner at Barcelona's restaurant

### **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November**

14:30      City tour: Gothic and Rivera walking tour

19:30      Dinner at Mirador Restaurant. Mirador is the restaurant of the emblematic Palau de la Música Catalana by architect Domènech i Montaner and presents, in a select and elegant setting, high quality Catalan cuisine.

## **Social Programme for Accompanying Persons**

**We will provide the accompanying people a map and interesting information about what to do and what to see in Barcelona. As you can see in the "General Information about Barcelona" there are many possibilities and it's easy to get to these places. Therefore we consider it more appropriate to let people choose according with their own preferences.**

## **General Information about Barcelona at the Web**

Web Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona: [www.uab.es](http://www.uab.es)

Web Barcelona: [www.bcn.es](http://www.bcn.es) [www.barcelonaturisme.com](http://www.barcelonaturisme.com)

## **General Information about Barcelona**

Barcelona, the capital of Catalonia, is located on the coast and bounded by the Collserola ridge and rivers Besós and Llobregat. The city is less than 150 kilometres from the Pyrenees. Barcelona's location on the shores of the Mediterranean means that it enjoys a warm, welcoming climate and pleasant temperatures all year round. Rainfall is occasionally heavy, with levels of around 1,000mm per year. This helps to maintain the many green areas around the city.

In Barcelona, as in the rest of Catalonia, there are two official languages: Catalan, the language of the region, and Spanish, the official language of Spain. As in most countries, the clocks are an hour ahead of solar time (GMT) in winter, and two hours ahead in summer. The clocks change twice during the year.

In Barcelona mealtimes are usually a little late than in the rest of Europe. Breakfast is between 9am and 11am and is similar to other countries on the continent. Lunch is served in restaurants between 1pm and 3pm and dinner from 9pm until midnight.

The working day usually begins between 8am and 9am and people break for lunch at 2pm. Shops and business open from 4pm to 8:30pm in afternoons.

Barcelona is a city with charming streets, busy with people and full of life. There is nowhere better to make Barcelona's acquaintance than La Rambla, the bustling avenue, famous for the vivid colours of its flower stalls.

Barcelona is the city of marvels. The old town, comprising the Gothic Quarter, the Ribera and Raval districts, and famed for its historical monuments, narrow streets and bohemian atmosphere, is a perfect place for a stroll. A wander through the maze of streets is essential in order to understand the different periods in the history of Barcelona and to admire its finest monuments: traces of the Roman wall glimpsed between well-preserved Gothic buildings, the remains of the Jewish Quarter, witnesses to the industrial expansion of the 19th century and the design of the 20th. Musicians in the medieval streets provide the ideal accompaniment.

The city also has the biggest selection of modernist architecture: a genuine open-air museum. Most of the buildings, built in this unique style, are in the Eixample, a district planned in 1860 by the engineer Ildefons Cerdà which constitutes a unique model of European urban planning. The Sagrada Família, the Casa Batlló, the Casa Amatller and the Casa Milà are some examples of this.

Barcelona is the only European capital with over four kilometres of beaches where you can enjoy the most modern amenities, the beaches are not far from Barcelona's historical and cultural landmarks, and they have opened up our modern and cosmopolitan city to the sea.

Today, the Olympic Harbour and the old port, the Port Vell, are some of the main meeting places, with many bars, restaurants, shops and recreational areas. Barcelona is, without a doubt, a city of marvels: on foot, by bicycle or bus, it is a magnificent spectacle which you should not miss.

## **CULTURE AND LEISURE**

Barcelona is known throughout the world as a cultural city, with an important heritage and a permanent and exciting range of activities on offer.

It is a city of renowned architectural interest, from its Roman walls to the new urban planning schemes of the eighties. Particular highlights are its modernist heritage and contemporary architecture.

Barcelona affords countless possibilities for recreation. Over 40 museums: monographic art collections such as the Museu Picasso, the Fundació Joan Miró and the Fundacio Antoni Tàpies which hold permanent exhibitions of works by the artists As well as temporary shows; the world's finest collection of Romanesque art at the Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya; Temporary exhibitions of contemporary art at the Museu d'Art Contemporani de Barcelona - MACBA ; and numerous art galleries.

Theatre companies of international standing -Els Comediants, La Fura dels Baus, Els Joglars, El Tricicle- and spectacular Local festivals pulsating with life and colour such as the Mercè. Major events, such as the Greek summer festival, one of the most important culture venues planned on the European calendar. Barcelona is famed for the wide variety of its musical events. From classical music, opera and ballet, through jazz, flamenco, pop and rock, to the most innovative festivals. In 1999 the city regained its opera house, the Gran Teatre del Liceu, and opened the Auditori with a programme featuring the most diverse genres and musical styles. In addition to these musical events we find those of the Palau de la Música Catalana, a jewel of modernist architecture.

#### **Important Note**

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