

Madrid, November 3, 2017

Dear AAICU Colleagues,

I am honored to welcome you to Madrid, Spain for the next AAICU Meeting, on April 19-21, 2018.

Saint Louis University staff has already plunged into planning for your visit. What would help us very much is for you to indicate your intention of attending by registering here by December 12, 2017.

We anticipate that the formal meetings will run from the late afternoon of Thursday, April 19 through Saturday lunchtime (keep in mind, we eat lunches late in Spain, usually after 2:00 p.m.). For early arrivals, we are planning a guided tour of the *Museo Nacional Centro de Arte Reina Sofía* earlier in the afternoon on Thursday. For those who wish to extend their visit through Sunday or beyond, we are planning other cultural adventures.

Travel to Madrid is easy as the Adolfo Suarez Madrid-Barajas Airport is one of Europe's major airports. We are sure that most of you will be able to find direct flights (or have only one connection) during this trip. Note that the best way to reach your destination hotel upon arrival in Madrid is by taxi, whose fares to any point in the city are regulated at a fixed 30 € charge.

Information on accommodation in Madrid is attached. Sometime before the event, we will be sending an electronic activity reservation form to those registered in preparation for your visit.

Please direct any questions you may have to finance-madrid@slu.edu.

Un saludo,

Paul Vita, Ph.D.

Director and Academic Dean

Accommodation in Madrid

We have reserved rooms for you at the Melia Madrid Princesa, a five-star hotel close to campus. We have also secured a second choice at the Aparto Suites Muralto, a smaller aparthotel in the same area.

Because of the high demand for hotel accommodations in Madrid during that time, both hotels will be guaranteeing rates for the group until January 10, 2018. Thereafter, reservations will depend upon availability as any rooms not confirmed and previously blocked by SLU Madrid will be let go.

Melia Madrid Princesa:

Address:

calle de la Princesa, 27, 28008 Madrid

Arrival: Departure: April 19, 2018 April 21, 2018

Rates:

Deluxe, individual use, breakfast buffet included – 176 € per night

Deluxe, double use, breakfast buffet included – 198 € per night

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Reservation: Melia / AAICU

Aparto Suites Muralto:

Address:

Calle de Buen Suceso, 3, 28008 Madrid

Arrival: Departure: April 19, 2018 April 21, 2018

Rates:

Standard, individual use, breakfast buffet included - 89 € per night

Standard, double use, breakfast buffet included - 99 € per night Superior, individual use, breakfast buffet included - 99 € per night Superior, double use, breakfast buffet included - 109 € per night

w/ living room, individual use, breakfast buffet included - 109 € per night w/ living room, individual use, breakfast buffet included - 119 € per night

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Reservation: CONGRESO2018 at www.muralto.es