



### HDCA 2018 CONFERENCE

### HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND SOCIAL INCLUSION IN AN URBANIZING WORLD

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## **General information**

Argentina's total area 3,761,274 Km<sup>2</sup>

Population 43,966,056 inhabitants

### **Capital City of Argentina**

Buenos Aires (*Ciudad Autónoma de Buenos Aires-CABA*) is the capital city. It is located in the namesake province, has a total area of 202 km<sup>2</sup>, and a population of 2,890,151 inhabitants.

### Language

Spanish is the country's official language although some indigenous languages are still spoken like Mapuche, Guarani and Quechua, among others.

English is widely spoken, particularly in big cities and tourist sites. It is easy to find tourist guides who speak Spanish, English, German, French and Italian.

### Time Zone

-3 Greenwich Meridean Time-GMT (all year round).

### **Country Code**

From abroad dial:

+54 11 to call a landline in Buenos Aires city +54 **9** 11 to ring a mobile phone number

### Currency

The peso is the Argentine official currency. There are 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 500 and 1000 peso notes and 1 and 2-peso coins, as well as 10, 25 and 50-cent coins.

### Taxes

### Value-Added Tax (VAT): 21 %

If you have purchased goods worth over ARS 70 (per invoice) at stores that form part of the Global Refund system, you can obtain a partial VAT refund at the following two counters at Ministro Pistarini (Ezeiza) International Airport. When making a purchase, remember to ask the store for a Reimbursement Form:

- Terminal A, First Floor, before showing your ticket and entering the security check area.
- Terminal B, Ground Floor.





Tax refund claims can also be submitted at the Jorge Newbery Airport and *Buquebus* ferry terminal. (For additional information on VAT tax refund please go to www.afip.gov.ar/genericos/guiaDeTramites/consulta\_show.aspx?id=753)

### **Payment Methods**

Although US dollars and Euros are generally accepted everywhere, you can also change money at banks and authorized exchange bureaus. It is best to bring only American dollars or Euros. The most frequently accepted credit cards are American Express, VISA, Master Card and Diners.

### The weather in Buenos Aires

Buenos Aires City has a mean annual temperature of 18°C (64°F). In Buenos Aires, the month of August is characterized by gradually rising daily high temperatures, with daily highs increasing from 14°C (58°F) to 17°C (63°F) over the course of the month. For additional information on the weather forecast please go to www.smn.gov.ar, the National Weather Service web site.

When you arrive in Buenos Aires it will be winter; bring outerwear like coats, jackets, hats and gloves or mittens.

### **Electricity and voltage in Buenos Aires**

Sockets in Argentina deliver a voltage of 220 volts, and can take plugs with two round pins (older ones) or two flat V-shaped pins and a grounding blade. It is easy to get an adaptor for these plugs in the city.

### **Plugs and sockets**

Sockets 1 & 2: commonly found at hotels and in modern buildings Socket 3: used in the past, not normally available nowadays







# **Travel information**

### **Entry requirements**

- Passport: valid passport, with or without a visa, according to each case.
  Participants are responsible for carrying out the process of securing their own visas, and for doing so in a timely fashion.
- Participants from non-neighbouring countries are exempted from paying taxes on new articles worth up to USD 300, and are allowed an additional USD 300 for products purchased at the Duty Free Shops authorized to operate across Argentina.

### **Arrival in Buenos Aires**

The city has two international airports:

- **EZE-Ministro Pistarini "Ezeiza" International Airport:** most of the airline companies flying into Argentina land here, a 37km drive from the city, along *Teniente General Ricchieri* highway.
- **AEP-Jorge Newbery Airport:** flights from MERCOSUR neighbouring countries usually land at this airport, which is nearby downtown Buenos Aires.
- Should you have any questions on flights leaving from/arriving at the airport, please call: (54 11) 5480 6111 or check the website: www.aa2000.com.ar

### **Banks and Currency exchange**

You must show your passport to change money at banks and official exchange bureaus.

Banking hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Very few exchange bureaus open over the weekends. These are mainly located in the Recoleta district and along Florida Street and, in general, have similar timetables to banks (i.e. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.).

We do not recommend changing money in the streets or in cabs since people report having received counterfeit money.

### Banks/ATMs at airports

There is a *Banco Nación* branch office at Terminal A, Ministro Pistarini "Ezeiza" International Airport (round the clock).

There are also Automatic Teller Machines (ATMs) from which you can draw local currency.





### Transport to and from the airports

### Ministro Pistarini "Ezeiza" International Airport

### Fixed-rate mini-cabs

1- Manuel Tienda León: You can request the service 24 hours in advance by e-mail, or upon arrival at airport. Points of Sale: Terminals A, B and C / Arrivals Hall. Phone: (5411) 4314 3636 / 4315 5115 and 0810 888 LEON (5366) e-mail: informes@tiendaleon.com.ar

2-Vip Cars: Points of sale: Terminal A / Arrivals Hall. Phone: (54 11) 5480 4594.

**Payment method:** cash, or using a credit card and/or foreign currency (euro/ US dollar) at the official exchange rate

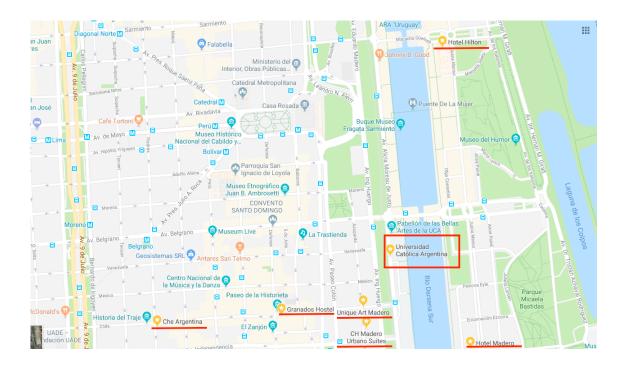




## **Participant information**

VENUE

UCA University San Agustín and San José building Address: Av. Alicia Moreau de Justo 1300 - Buenos Aires - Argentina http://www.uca.edu.ar/index.php/home/index/en



### **ACCOMODATIONS:**

As there is a high demand during this period, we specially recommend to confirm your accommodation as soon as possible.

To obtain these special rates, please contact by phone or email, indicating the Reference "HDCA 2018 Conference" to:

Angelica Basavilbaso +54 11 6333-3333 ext 3720 abasavilbaso@ttsviajes.com | <u>www.ttsviajes.com</u>





Hotels offering discounted rates to 2018 HDCA Conference participants, through TTS Viajes are:

HOTEL HILTON U\$S 234.- + tax http://www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/argentina/hilton-buenos-aires-BUEHIHH/index.html Address: Macacha Güemes 351 – CABA Telephone: +54 11 4891-0000

Hotel MADERO U\$S 170.- + tax http://www.hotelmadero.com/en Address: Dique 2, Rosario Vera Peñaloza 360 – CABA Telephone: +54 11 5776-7777

ANSELMO BUE CURIO COLLECION BY HILTON : U\$S 133.- + tax http://curiocollection3.hilton.com/en/hotels/argentina/anselmo-buenos-aires-curiocollection-by-hilton-BUEBAQQ/index.html Address: Don Anselmo Aieta 1069 – CABA Telephone: +54 11 4834-3200

CH MADERO SUITES U\$S 90.- + tax https://www.hotelescyan.com/chmaderourbanosuites/ Address: Azopardo 770 – CABA Telephone: +54 11 3220-3900

UNIQUE ART MADERO U\$S 60.- + tax (full booked since September 1st) https://www.hotels-unique.com/en/hotels/uniqueartmadero/ Address: Chile 80 – CABA Telephone: + 54 11 4788-1675

UNIQUE PALACIO SAN TELMO U\$S 55.- + tax https://www.hotels-unique.com/es/hoteles/uniquepalaciosantelmo/ Address: Moreno 606 – CABA Telephone: + 54 11 3220 – 9150

\*The prices are per night, single room. There are no restrictions on the number of nights.





### **Dietary Restrictions and/or special needs**

Should any participant have any special dietary requirements (vegetarians, or those having a celiac or diabetic condition, etc.), or need any special assistance because of a disability, please let us know in advance by writing to: <a href="https://www.new.org">https://www.new.org</a>

### **Safety and Security Recommendations**

Although Buenos Aires is overall considered a safe city, please bear in mind the following recommendations:

- Leave your passport, air ticket and other valuable documents in a safe place at the hotel.
- Be careful with your handbag or briefcase, particularly if you are carrying a computer.

### **Additional Information**

Additional information on Buenos Aires (including hotels, restaurants and transport) can be found at the following official website: https://turismo.buenosaires.gob.ar/en

Contact person: Daniela Alvarez Mosqueda hdca2018@uca.edu.ar





### **Tourist information**

City Tour Bus http://www.buenosairesbus.com/?lang=en +54 11 4018-0055



#### Gastronomy

In Buenos Aires you can enjoy food from different regions and several typical specialties. The city has specific areas where you can choose from a wide range of restaurants.

Costanera Norte and Puerto Madero districts are renowned because of their parrilladas (barbecues). The area of Avenida de Mayo is the place to taste Spanish food. The most traditional pizzas can be found on Corrientes street. Plaza Cortázar, Palermo Hollywood, Recoleta and Las Cañitas neighbourhoods offer gourmet specialties: elaborate, refine and exotic dishes.





### **Background information on Buenos Aires**

Buenos Aires, officially called Autonomous City of Buenos Aires, is the capital and most populous city of Argentina. The city is located on the western shore of the estuary of the Río de la Plata.

Buenos Aires City is arranged in blocks, so it is easy to get around if you know the essentials. The city has a large and ever-expanding public transport network, and almost 40,000 licensed taxis (3 times as many as New York). The hop-on, hop-off tourist bus is a must if you are short of time and keen to see the highlights. Bicycle lanes and pedestrian streets in the city centre make cycling and walking a nice alternative.



Nicest neighbourhoods to visit: <u>https://turismo.buenosaires.gob.ar/en/agrupador-noticias/iconic-neighbourhoods</u>

Buenos Aires is a multicultural city, home to multiple ethnic and religious groups. Several languages are spoken in addition to Spanish, contributing to its culture. Over the last 150 years Buenos Aires, has been a major recipient of millions of immigrants from all over the world, making it a melting pot where several ethnic groups lives together and is considered one of the most diverse cities in Latin America.

We invite you to find out about our beautiful city: <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Buenos\_Aires</u>