HVTT13 preparations: Fees, accommodation rates and travelling

Hi everyone, here I am in Buenos Aires just back from beautiful San Luis. We have managed to finalise rates for October, which in a 35% per year inflation just before an election year is quite an achievement. Next you will see the 3 things to help you to start planning your trip to HVTT13. Incidentally HVTT13 has just been declared of "National Interest" by the Senate of Argentina, which has significantly raised the profile of the conference here.

1- Registration Fees:

Fees are expressed in US\$ and include:

- "All inclusive" service style for the 4 days (27th to 30th). This means food and drinks (alcoholic and non) from a specific menu and beverage list, coffee breaks and outside coffee breaks.
- Gala dinner.

| Type of Registration | Fee |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Regular | 890 |
| Early bird (up to 31/8) | 750 |
| Student | 800 |
| Early bird student (31/8) | 700 |

Accompanying guests can pay US\$90 per day for similar treatment. Any delegate or guest staying outside of conference days can also choose to pay US\$90 per day for an "all inclusive" style.



To book the hotel you will need to have your 6 digit registration code. We shall advice in the "Latest News" when online registration opens

2- Accommodation in Hotel Potrero de los Funes

| Room Type | Rates (US\$ per room tax included) |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
| Double Standard | 110 |
| VIP (Double) | 130 |
| Quadruple | 160 |
| Suite Potrero | 170 |
| Suite Premium | 195 |
| Floating Suite | 220 |

The hotel offers 106 rooms, 4 of which are new Floating Suites. Includes complimentary continental breakfast, heated pool, two outdoor pool, solarium, cinema, internet access, Wi-Fi, golf putting green, dock with lake access, lake and mountain lookouts, inflatable games, 24 hour security, national and international direct dial telephone, safe, and tourist information. All rooms have wireless internet.

Suggested Accommodation in Buenos Aires

For those coming to San Luis through Buenos Aires, we recommend you choose safe areas and avoid those areas surrounding Plaza de Mayo, Congreso and the Obelisco. While these are popular tourist areas, these locations tend to have plenty of demonstrations and could be closed to traffic, which means your taxi can get you so far and then you have to walk to your hotel.

Monserrat Apart Hotel, (If you say you are coming to the HVTT13 symposium and give the name of Dr. Alejandra Efrón to receive a discounted rate). The area is close to San Telmo, and other tourist areas, but without the potential congestion and protests. There are two universities and plenty of shops and restaurants nearby that close around 2am.

Puerto Madero is a very nice and safe area too, although much more expensive. The Hilton Hotel for example, is a lovely one, or the Madero Hotel.

There are taxi companies inside of the airports, both domestic (Newbery) and international (Ezeiza). They accept US\$ and Euros, besides argentine pesos. DO NOT TAKE ANY OFFERED TAXI OUTSIDE THESE. You can always arrange with the hotel to send you a taxi.

While you can make your own arrangements, we have identified a travel agent that can help you prepare your itinerary, or if you wish to see more than Buenos Aires and San Luis.

Please contact Eleonora Benzaquen, our chosen travel agent, at agenciadeviajesbenzaquen@gmail.com and she can help with flights, accommodation and guided tours. She specializes in international conferences taking place in Argentina.

To arrange travel to San Luis, we suggest to enter in <u>Benzaquen Viajes</u>, which allows you to self-book or contact <u>Eleonora Benzaquen</u> directly.



Given strikes and demonstrations in Argentina, please allow a few days extra to arrive or leave San Luis. If nothing happens, you can always enjoy or work from there.

3- How to get to the Hotel in San Luis

From Buenos Aires, you can come to San Luis by plane or bus, although I recommend the plane option. If you want to travel around, and want to rent a car, I suggest you do it from San Luis or Mendoza. From Bue there is nothing but a lot of traffic and the entire history of trucks ranging from the 1960s to now, and even though Bob did find this fascinating on his last visit it can be a little dangerous.

From Santiago, Chile: You can either fly to Buenos Aires or Mendoza. From Mendoza a 2hs car journey will bring you to San Luis.

That is all for now

More news to come soon!

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