



# **Logistics information**

## Place and date of the meeting

The First Meeting of the New Regional Convention for the Recognition of Studies, Diplomas and Degrees in Higher Education in Latin America and the Caribbean, will take place at the AFE Cultural Center in Colonia del Sacramento, Uruguay, from April 13 to 14, 2023.

Address: AFE National Cultural Center, G5G3+JVF, 70000 Colonia del Sacramento Colonia

Phone: 45227000



#### Work schedules

According to the agenda, the work sessions will take place on Thursday, April 13, 2023 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:20 p.m. and on Friday, April 14, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

#### Contact in case of emergencies

If you have any questions or queries regarding participation in this event, please contact: <a href="mailto:n.pasamonte@unesco.org">n.pasamonte@unesco.org</a>

#### How to get to Uruguay

Most international airlines arrive at <u>Carrasco International Airport</u>, located 18 kilometers from downtown Montevideo. The airport is located 190 kilometers from Colonia del Sacramento, which is equivalent to approximately two and a half hours by ground transportation from said airport.





The main airlines in the world, with regional flights from Buenos Aires, Porto Alegre, Sao Paulo, Rio de Janeiro, Asunción, Panama, Santiago de Chile and Lima arrive at the airport. Also, numerous frequencies of <u>ships and ferries</u> unite Buenos Aires with Colonia del Sacramento in approximately one hour.



**Carrasco International Airport** 



Buquebus port terminal in Buenos Aires

## Colonia del Sacramento

Colonia del Sacramento is the capital of the department of Colonia, in the southwest of Uruguay. On the Río de la Plata, it is located in front of Buenos Aires, just an hour away by boat. The historic neighborhood is a World Heritage Site declared by UNESCO in 1995. Renowned for its cobbled streets, Colonia del Sacramento is a haven where the visitor encounters the culture, history and magic of an inescapable destination on the Río de la Plata. The charm of the city is linked to the particularity of its history.

Founded in 1680 by the Portuguese Manuel Lobo, the city passed from Portuguese to Spanish rule several times, until the Declaration of Independence of the Banda Oriental in 1825. These events made the Historic Center of the colonial capital a melting pot of architectural and urban styles in which typically Portuguese colonial styles and Spanish-style houses coexist. <u>More information about Colonia del Sacramento.</u>



Colonia del Sacramento

Plaza de Toros Real de San Carlos





## Montevideo

Montevideo is the capital of Uruguay. It was founded in 1724 by the Spanish. It is a cosmopolitan city with beautiful European architecture. Approximately half of the population of Uruguay (1,500,000) lives in Montevideo. The city extends along the coast of the Río de la Plata, surrounding a bay and a natural port, the entrance of merchandise for the entire region, as well as the exit of exports. Montevideo has a coastline of 30 km. It is located strategically in the center of the region, one hour from Buenos Aires, two hours from Asunción, São Paulo and Santiago. More information about Montevideo.



Plaza Independencia

#### Rambla of Montevideo

#### Entry regime to Uruguay: Uruguayan citizens and foreigners

It is suggested to check the visa requirements by country to enter Uruguay on the <u>official website</u> <u>of the National Migration Directorate of the Ministry of Homeland Security.</u>

Negative Covid test is not requested for people with a complete vaccination schedule or who have had the disease between 10 and 90 days prior to entering the country. <u>More health</u> information on entering Uruguay.

#### **Medical insurance**

If you are a foreigner, you must have health coverage/medical insurance for your stay in Uruguay.

#### Stopovers in other countries

It is suggested to check if there are sanitary requirements in your flight stopovers before entering Uruguay (such as sanitary affidavits) and find out if a transit visa is required for said stopovers.





## Exchange rate

The Uruguayan peso is the legal tender used for all types of commercial transactions. The US dollar is generally accepted in stores, supermarkets and restaurants. There are many exchange houses accessible throughout the country with similar prices. The most frequently accepted credit cards are VISA and MasterCard. The exchange rate is determined in the market according to supply and demand. There are many exchange houses distributed throughout the country, so you will not have problems making transactions. Most of them are open from Monday to Friday from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., but it is also possible to find exchange houses in large shopping centers that are open every day from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. More information about quotes. More information on rates.

## Weather in Uruguay in april



In general, the climate in Uruguay is temperate and humid (average 17 °C), with hot summers and more or less homogeneous rainfall throughout the year. Due to its latitude, the four seasons are clearly differentiated. <u>More information on weather.</u>

#### **Power in Uruguay**

220 v – European sockets (Schuko style as in Italy and Spain) – if you bring electrical appliances or your laptop please bring your own international adaptors. Mac laptops may need to have special adaptors as well.

More logistics information of Uruguay.

#### Hotels in Colonia del Sacramento

Hotel Radisson Colonia del Sacramento Address: Washington Barbot 283, Colonia del Sacramento <u>Hotel website</u> Contact: <u>reservas@radissoncolonia.com</u>

Dazzler by Wyndham Colonia Address: Av. Rambla de las Américas 1530 <u>Hotel website</u> Contact: reservas@dazzlercolonia.com





Sheraton Colonia Golf & Spa Resort Address: Continuación De La, Rbla. de las Américas S/N <u>Hotel website</u> Contact: <u>reservas@sheratoncolonia.com.uy</u>

Las Liebres - Restaurante Hotel Address: Continuación, Zapican 645 <u>Hotel website</u> Contact: reservas@lasliebres.com.uy

**Costa Colonia Boutique Hotel** Address: Joaquín Torres García 1102 <u>Hotel website</u> Contact: <u>reservas@costacolonia.com</u>

Hotel Leoncia Address: Rivera 214 <u>Hotel website</u> Contact: <u>hleoncia@adinet.com.uy</u>

It is recommended to call in advance and make the respective reservation. The rate of the recommended hotels includes breakfast.

#### **Registration and costs**

Registration for the First Meeting of the New Regional Convention for the Recognition of Studies, Diplomas and Degrees in Higher Education in Latin America and the Caribbean is free. For a better organization of the meeting, it is important to have completed the registrarion online form.

#### Internal transfers within Colonia del Sacramento

Taxi Danny Address: Gral. Flores 464, Colonia del Sacramento Contact (+598) 97 078 989

## Taxi El Porteño

Address: Dr. Fernando Felipe Bassahún 723, Colonia del Sacramento Contact (+598) 91 964 551

## **MB Transportes & Turismo**

Address: Avda. Baltasar Brum, Colonia del Sacramento Contact: (+598) 92 600 900





## Uruguay's calling code

Uruguay's calling code is +598. If you want to communicate with a landline or mobile phone in Uruguay when you are outside the country, dial the code +598 and then the phone number you want to contact.