

Final Conference on Air Transport and Regional Development

Gran Canaria – 18th-19th March 2019
 University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria
 Canary Islands, Spain



THE CONFERENCE

This **FINAL CONFERENCE ON AIR TRANSPORT AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT** will be hosted by the Department of Applied Economics of the [University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria](#). The conference will be devoted to the presentation and dissemination of the final results of the COST Action and, in particular, to the **HANDBOOK ON AIR TRANSPORT AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT**. For this reason, the usual call for papers will be replaced this time by *Invited Papers Sessions* selected by the Local Organizing Committee and the Cost Action Management Committee.

PROGRAMME

Day 1 – March 18th, 2019

- Registration and Welcome
- Keynote Speech I
- Invited Sessions 1/2/3: Handbook Results
- Round Table I: Industry Players
- Social Activities

Day 2 – March 19th, 2019

- Management Committee Meeting.
- Keynote Speech II
- Invited Sessions 4/5: Handbook Results.
- Round Table II: Future Projects
- Social Activities

A more detailed programme will be provided later.

REGISTRATION INFO

Conference attendance is free of charge for all participants, although **previous registration** is required. Please [CLICK HERE](#) for registering. There is a budget to cover travel and other expenses of eligible ATARD COST members as well as of selected non-ATARD COST members subject to confirmation. Meals participation is at the expense of delegates and set at 20 euros per meal; eligible participants will be subsequently able to claim this money back from COST organisation.

Local Organizing Committee members are Dr. Ofelia Betancor, Dr. Javier Campos, Dr. Pilar Socorro, and Ubay Pérez.

THE ATARD COST ACTION

This action investigates the social and economic links between air transport and regional development. The benefits that may derive from them include not only a better understanding of those relationships, but also policy recommendations on how transport infrastructure and service improvements should be made to support economic competitiveness and social cohesion, as well as the constitution of a research network dedicated to air transport and its economic and social implications. Read more details on the action at www.atard-online.com.

ABOUT LAS PALMAS DE GRAN CANARIA

[Las Palmas de Gran Canaria](#) (pop. 380,000) is the capital city of the island of [Gran Canaria](#) and the co-capital of the Canary Islands, an Autonomous Region in the Atlantic Ocean, 1,500 kms Southwest of mainland Spain. Founded in 1478, the city played a significant role in Columbus' voyages, and during the XVI-XVIII centuries became the last port for many travellers to the Americas. Today, Las Palmas de Gran Canaria is the largest European city on Western Africa, and – thanks to its pleasant climate and geographic position – its thriving economic activity is mostly based on tourism and maritime trade. The city, home of the President of the Regional Government, the Spanish Government Delegation and the High Court of Justice of the Canary Islands, enjoys high standards in transport, safety and public health.



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CONFERENCE VENUE

UNIVERSIDAD DE LAS PALMAS DE GRAN CANARIA Sede Institucional – Room: Aula de Piedra

Address: Calle Juan de Quesada, 30
35001 Las Palmas de Gran Canaria
<https://goo.gl/maps/Ps6387UBCen>



RECOMMENDED HOTELS

★★ Hotel Doña Luisa (***)

- Single room: 76.50€ per night
- Double room: 85.00€ per night
- Breakfast: +7.00€
- Use PROMO CODE: **ULPGC** and select habitación type **EVENTO**

★★ Hotel Parque (***)

- Single/Double room: 71.00-130.00€ per night
- Breakfast included

★★ Hotel AC Iberia Las Palmas (****) [30 rooms]

- Single room: 107.00€ per night
- Double room: 123.05€ per night
- Breakfast and airport transfer included
- Use the following [Booking Link](#) before Dec-20

★★ Hotel AC Gran Canaria (****) [30 rooms]

- Single room: 133.75€ per night
- Double room: 152.00€ per night
- Breakfast & airport transfer included
- Send email to: reservas.acgrancanaria@ac-hotels.com, using reference "Final Conference Las Palmas ATARD 2019" by Nov-30.

OTHER HOTELS

As in any other touristic city, there are many other accommodation possibilities in Las Palmas, including short-time apartments. We suggest the following additional hotels in the **Canteras Beach** neighbourhood (★★) and the **city centre** (★★):

★★ Hotel Cristina (*****)

★★ Hotel Reina Isabel (****)

★★ Hotel Concorde (****)

★★ Hotel NH Imperial Playa (****)

★★ Hotel NH Playa de Las Canteras (***)

★★ Hotel Ventiuno (****)

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

The **Conference Venue** is located in the historic neighbourhood of [Vegueta](#), close to the Santa Ana Cathedral. The most convenient transport option is to use the (yellow) urban buses, or *Guaguas*, as locals call them (see info on routes and lines [here](#)). The fare per trip is 1.40€ and the closest bus station is the **TEATRO PEREZ GALDOS**. From here, the venue is located just 10-minutes' walk (see [maps overleaf](#)). Alternatively, taxis provide very reliable door-to-door services and they can be hailed at the street.

The **Airport of Gran Canaria** (LPA) is in the eastern part of the island, 19 kms south of the capital city, and 25 kms north from the popular tourist areas in the southern coast of Gran Canaria. The most convenient transport option to/from the airport is to use the (blue) interurban buses (*Global*, see more info [here](#)). They provide cheap connections (3.00€) with the City Centre (San Telmo Station) and the Canteras Beach area (Santa Catalina Station). Alternatively, the equivalent taxi fare is around 35.00€.

GENERAL DIRECTIONS



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③ SAN TELMO BUS STATION

④ STA CATALINA BUS STATION

① Hotel Doña Luisa

② Hotel Parque

③ Hotel AC Iberia Las Palmas

④ Hotel AC Gran Canaria

⑤ Hotel Cristina

⑥ Hotel Reina Isabel

⑦ Hotel Concorde

⑧ Hotel NH Imperial Playa

⑨ Hotel NH Playa de la Canteras

⑩ Hotel Ventiuno

Approximate travel times

Santa Catalina to Vegueta (venue)

(5.5 kms)

<30 minutes by bus

<15 minutes by taxi

San Telmo to Vegueta (venue)

(1.6 kms)

<15 minutes by bus

<10 minutes by taxi

<20 minutes on foot

Teatro to Vegueta (venue)

(1.0 kms)

<10 minutes by taxi

<10 minutes on foot

LOCAL DIRECTIONS

From TEATRO STATION (B) to CONFERENCE VENUE (A)

Walking directions

- A**
Sede Institucional de la Universidad de Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Calle Juan de Quesada, Las Palmas de Gran Canaria
- B**
Teatro Pérez Galdos, Las Palmas de Gran Canaria



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