



UNION-IP ExCo Meeting

Madrid
15th-17th Oct 2026





PROGRAMME

Madrid 2026

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OCTOBER

Morning Arrival of participants and check-in
Afternoon Bureau Meeting
Dinner Welcome reception dinner · Hotel

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OCTOBER

UNION MEMBERS	ACCOMPANYNING PERSONS
09:30–10:30 Commissions Meetings	Morning and lunch Half day excursion to El Escorial
10:30–11:00 Coffee break	Afternoon Arrival to the hotel
11:00–19:00 ExCo Meeting Working lunch (13:30-14:30h)	
Evening Closing dinner · Restaurant in <i>Palacio de Saldaña</i>	

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OCTOBER

Morning Guided visit to the Prado Museum and walking
 tour of the "Landscape of Light"
Lunch Wine tasting experience and food pairing lunch
Afternoon Arrival to the hotel and free time

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Morning Breakfast and check out

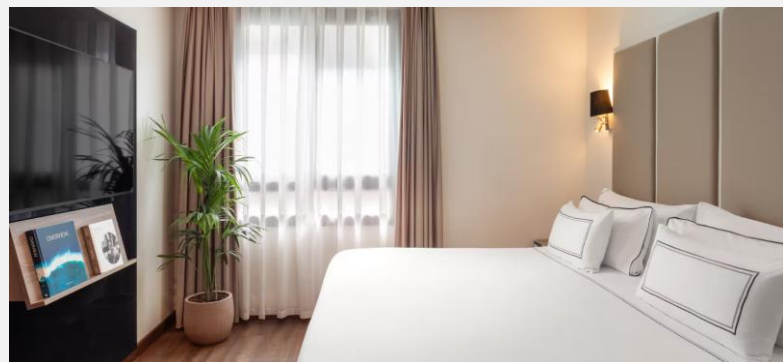
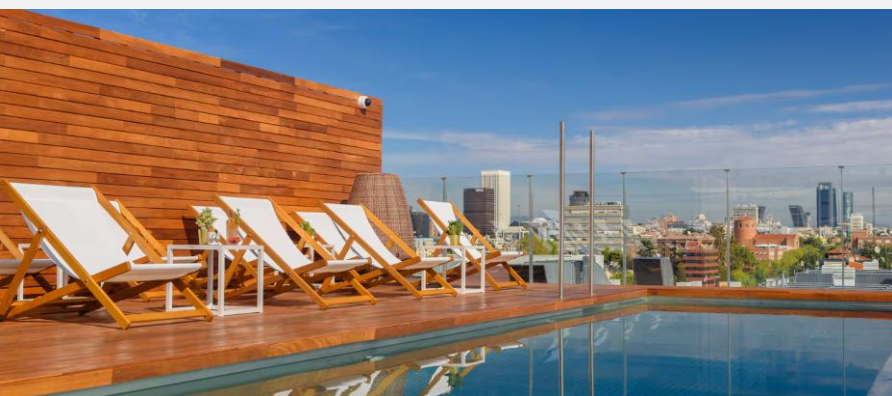
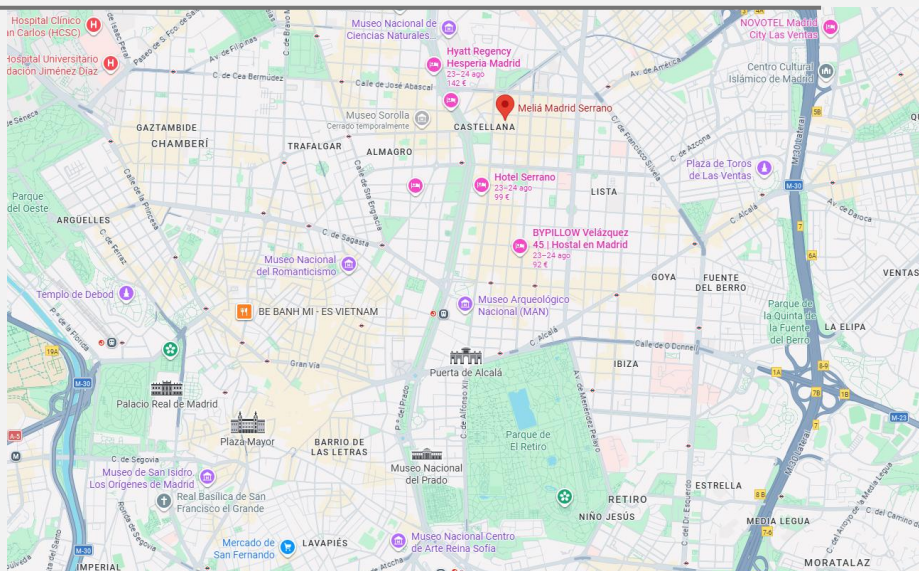
THE HOTEL

Madrid 2026

MELIÁ SERRANO ****

Calle de Claudio Coello, 139. Madrid

Located in one of Madrid's most exclusive areas, between Goya and Serrano, *Meliá Madrid Serrano* combines a privileged location with easy access to some of the city's most iconic landmarks, cultural attractions and shopping areas.



AROUND THE HOTEL

Cultural highlights

Lázaro Galdiano Museum — 0.2 km
National Archaeological Museum — 1.6 km
El Retiro Park — 1.8
Puerta de Alcalá — 1.9 km

Shopping

Madrid's Golden Mile — 0.1 km
Goya — 1 km
El Corte Inglés Castellana — 1.8 km
Gran Vía — 2.4 km

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MORNING

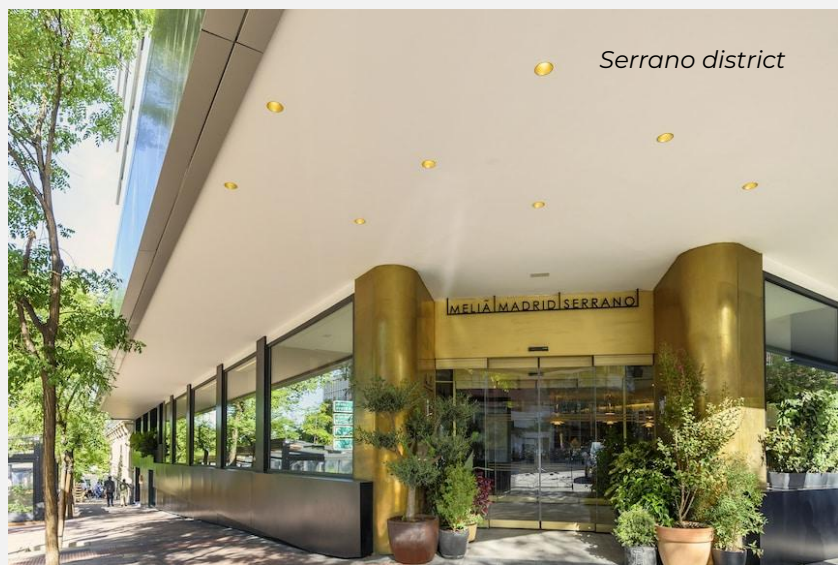
Arrival and check-in

Participants will arrive in Madrid and check in at Meliá Madrid Serrano*, which will also host the ExCo Meeting.

*Accommodation is approximately €280 per night, including breakfast, and should be booked directly by each attendee.

Other recommended hotels:

NH Madrid Balboa — 0.4 km
Barceló Emperatriz — 0.4 km
Petit Palace President Castellana — 0.8 km
NH Madrid Zurbano — 1 km



AFTERNOON

Bureau Meeting

Torre de Cristal · Cuatro Torres Business Area

ELZABURU will welcome us to its headquarters on Paseo de la Castellana, in Madrid's landmark *Cuatro Torres Business Area*. We will spend the afternoon holding the Bureau Meeting on the 28th floor of Torre de Cristal, Spain's tallest skyscraper, with panoramic views over Madrid. A coffee break will be served during the meeting.



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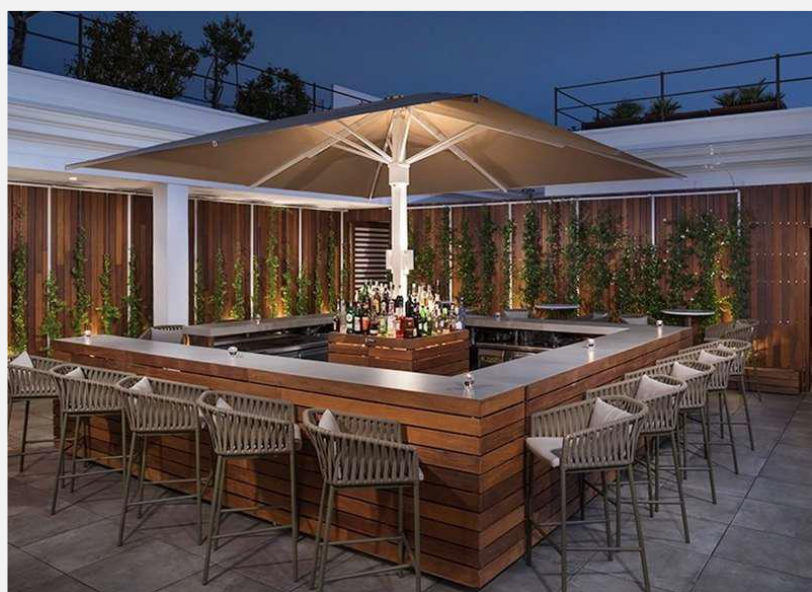
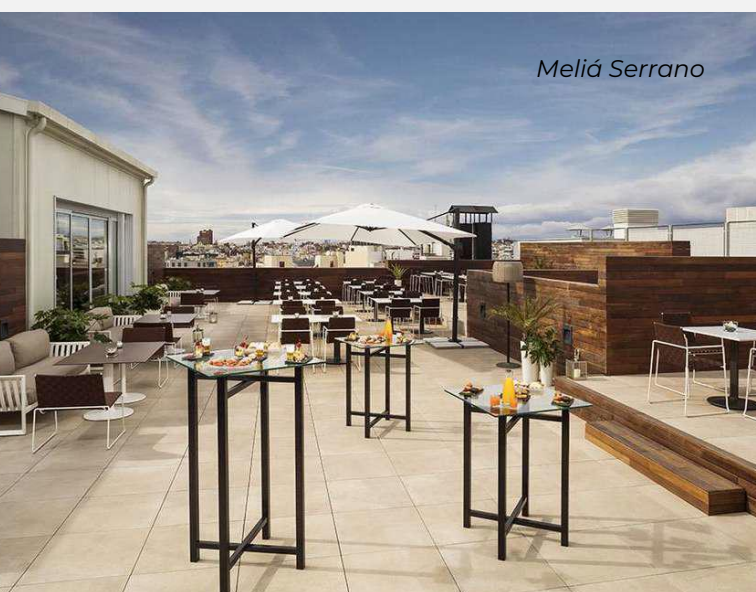
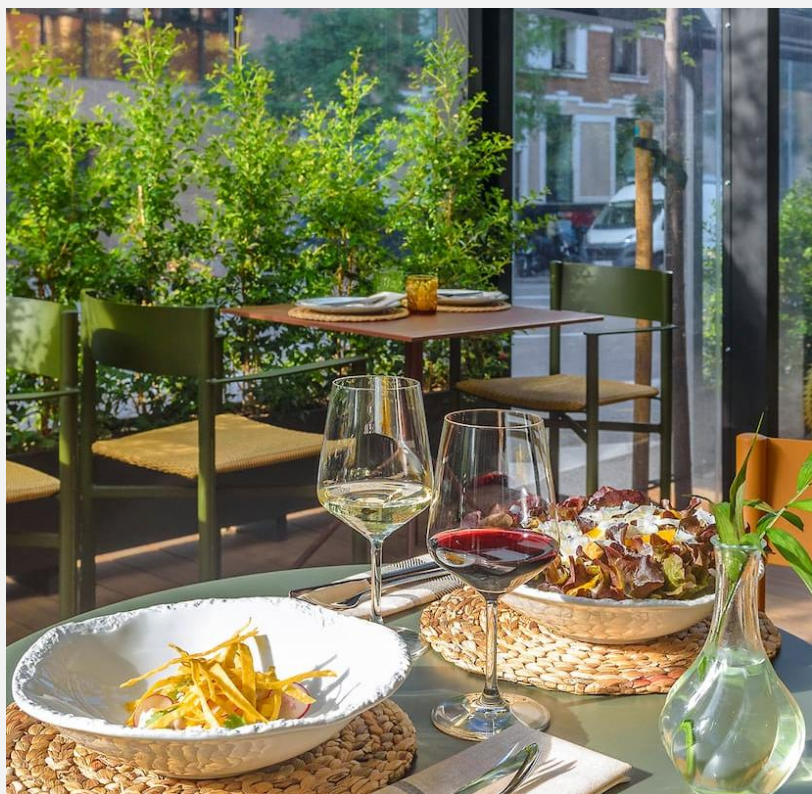
EVENING

Welcome reception dinner

Meliá Serrano

We will kick off the ExCo with a relaxed cocktail-style welcome dinner at *Meliá Madrid Serrano*. October in Madrid often brings sunny days and mild temperatures, so, weather permitting, we will enjoy the evening on the hotel's rooftop terrace, overlooking the Serrano district.

The evening will offer an informal opportunity to meet and reconnect while enjoying a selection of traditional Spanish dishes and drinks, such as *salmorejo* and Ibérico ham, accompanied by wines from the region.



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UNION MEMBERS

FULL-DAY

ExCo Meeting

Meliá Serrano

The ExCo Meeting will take place at *Meliá Madrid Serrano*, where we will spend the day sharing ideas, discussing key topics and attending a programme of engaging presentations.

09:30–10:30

Commissions Meetings

10:30–11:00

Coffee break

11:00–13:30

ExCo Meeting

13:30–14:30

Working lunch finger buffet

14:30–16:30

ExCo Meeting

16:30–17:00

Coffee break

17:00–18:30

ExCo Meeting



Meliá Serrano



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ACCOMPANYING PERSONS

HALF-DAY

El Escorial excursion

While UNION-IP members attend the ExCo Meeting, accompanying persons will enjoy a half-day excursion to El Escorial, located around 45 minutes from Madrid.

The programme will include a guided visit to the Royal Monastery of San Lorenzo de El Escorial, exploring some of its most remarkable spaces, followed by a walking tour through the historic town of San Lorenzo de El Escorial.

The morning will conclude with lunch at a traditional local restaurant, offering the opportunity to enjoy the surroundings and local cuisine before returning to Madrid.

Departure

From Meliá Madrid Serrano

Guided visit

Royal Monastery of San Lorenzo de El Escorial

Walking tour

Historic centre of San Lorenzo de El Escorial

Lunch

Traditional local restaurant

Return

To Meliá Madrid Serrano



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EVENING

Closing dinner

ABYA restaurant
Calle José Ortega y Gasset, 32

We will bring the ExCo to a close with dinner at ABYA, set in the historic Palacio de Saldaña. A unique setting, where art, design and gastronomy come together.

We will begin with welcome drinks and cocktails, before enjoying a contemporary fusion menu combining flavours and influences from different culinary traditions.

Palacio de Saldaña



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SOCIAL PROGRAMME FOR THE WHOLE GROUP

MORNING

Madrid and the
"Landscape of Light"

We will begin the morning with a guided visit to the Prado Museum, home to masterpieces by Velázquez, Goya and El Greco.

We will then explore Madrid's "Landscape of Light", a UNESCO World Heritage site encompassing the Paseo del Prado, the Royal Botanical Gardens and El Retiro Park, and passing landmarks such as the Bank of Spain and Puerta de Alcalá.



Departure

From Meliá Madrid Serrano

Guided visit

Prado Museum

Walking tour

Landscape of Light

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LUNCH

Wine tasting experience
and pairing lunch

The Library Wine Boutique & Cuisine
Calle Serrano, 2

We will continue the day with a wine tasting and pairing lunch at The Library Wine Boutique & Cuisine, where a private space will be reserved exclusively for our group.

Guided by a professional sommelier, we will enjoy a six-course tasting menu paired with five carefully selected Spanish wines, exploring different regions, grape varieties and winemaking styles in a relaxed and intimate atmosphere.

Welcome aperitif

Champagne or cava

Tasting experience

Five selected Spanish wines

Pairing lunch

Six-course tasting menu

Return

To Meliá Madrid Serrano



Additional recommendations

Experiences in Madrid

Gastronomy

WHERE TO EAT

Castizo Velázquez – 0.2km

Traditional Madrid cuisine and tapas in a contemporary *castizo* setting

Patio de Leones – 1.7km

A lively Spanish tavern by Puerta de Alcalá, with Andalusian-inspired décor and a vibrant atmosphere

Mercado de San Miguel – 3.5km

An iconic gourmet market in the heart of Madrid, bringing together Spanish tapas and specialities under one historic roof

Culture

WHERE TO VISIT

National Archaeological Museum — 1.6km

A journey through Spain's history, from Prehistory to the modern age, through archaeology and decorative arts.

Royal Palace of Madrid and Almudena Cathedral – 3.1km

Explore the Royal Palace and the surrounding historic complex, including the Gallery of the Royal Collections and Almudena Cathedral, all within a few steps of each other

Parque del Oeste, Rose Garden & Temple of Debod – 3.8km

Stroll through Parque del Oeste and its Rose Garden, then head to the nearby Temple of Debod, an ancient Egyptian temple and one of Madrid's favourite spots for panoramic views and sunset.

Family

WHERE TO VISIT WITH CHILDREN

El Retiro Park – 1.8km

Explore Madrid's most iconic park, from the Crystal Palace to the lake and Monument to Alfonso XII. Families can hire a rowing boat or explore the park on a four-seater electric family bike for a fun and different way to discover its highlights

Zoo Aquarium Madrid | Faunia — 9 | 10km

Discover large and iconic species at Zoo Madrid, or explore Faunia's immersive themed ecosystems, including the Jungle, Polar Ecosystem, Nocturnal Animals or Venomous Species.

Relevant information

If you are staying until Sunday

MORNING

A unique Sunday in Madrid

Fiesta de la Trashumancia, Cibeles area

If you are staying in Madrid until Sunday, you will have the opportunity to experience one of the city's most unusual traditions.

The *Fiesta de la Trashumancia* brings a large flock of sheep through the streets of central Madrid, following historic livestock routes and creating a unique scene in the heart of the city.



TRAVEL NOTE

The event will affect traffic in parts of central Madrid until around 2pm. If you are travelling to the airport or train station on Sunday morning, we recommend allowing extra time and checking the latest traffic information before departure.



Registration

How to register?

INCLUDES



Delegate

€270

Welcome reception dinner
ExCo Meeting
Closing dinner



Accompanying person

€200

Welcome reception dinner
Half-day excursion to El Escorial
Closing dinner



Saturday social
programme

€250

Prado Museum
Walking tour of the "Landscape
of Light"
Wine tasting & pairing lunch



Hotel
accommodation

Hotel accommodation is not included in the registration fee and should be booked and paid for separately by each participant

[Book Meliá Madrid Serrano](#)



Register online

Scan the QR code to register through the UNION-IP Members' Portal*

*Registration confirmations and invoices will be issued directly by UNION-IP



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