VALLADOLID AT THE HEART OF

CULTURAL REG

Valladolid is the hub of the Autonomous Community of Castilla y León, a region steeped in art and historical heritage thanks to its long and rich past. Eight sites declared World Heritage are to be found within 200 km, and it is also close to the country's capital, Madrid, with its immense cultural riches.

The region boasts a wealth of traditions and intangible heritage, and is home to internationally renowned celebrations such as its Holy Week processions together with other civil festivities. Regional gastronomy merges the traditional with the modern to offer a wide variety, ranging from haute cuisine to the world-famous snacks known as 'tapas' in an array of cosy restaurants and bars that make the most of leisure time.

Valladolid is located on a vast open plain, dotted with wheat fields and extensive vineyards where some of finest wines in the world are

produced, attested by its five designations of origin: the white wines of Rueda, the rosés of Cigales, or the red wines of Ribera del Duero. Tierras de León or Toro, all combining to make Valladolid a veritable wine paradise.







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The team in charge of hosting the 19th ACEI Conference is the Research Group in Cultural Economics at the University of Valladolid (GIEC/UVA), which has been a member of the Association for Cultural Economics International since joining at the 10th Conference held in Barcelona, Spain, in 1998. The group has regularly attended the various Association conferences, and has also contributed to as well as promoted the Spanish Workshop on Cultural Economics and Management. The GIEC/UVA is also engaged in coordinating the University Master's



Degree in Cultural Economics and Cultural Management, a University of Valladolid educational project which has been running since 2005.

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Valladolid can lay claim to a long and rich history which has led to the city being what it is today. Home to the Court of the king and queen and one-time capital of the Spanish empire in the 17th century, the city has maintained its rich historical heritage which comprises churches, palaces, homes and open spaces, together with magnificent museums. Valladolid is also a modernday city boasting examples of fine contemporary architecture. Valladolid is a city of museums, housing a wide range of high guality collections, prominent amongst which is the National Sculpture Museum, home to major works in Spanish religious sculpture; or the Patio Herreriano Museum which houses one of the finest collections of contemporary Spanish art. Smaller museums include those dedicated to Miguel

de Cervantes (a house museum) who lived in Valladolid and wrote some of his famous novels here: and Christopher Columbus, who spent his last days in the city.

The city is also the venue for major cultural events such as the Holy Week celebrations, declared of international tourist interest. Each October, the Calderón Theatre hosts the Valladolid International Film Festival (the SEMINCI), one of Spain's leading film festivals. May sees the Street Theatre Festival (TAC), an internationally prestigious festival in its genre. The city is also home to the Castilla y León Symphony Orchestra, one of the most dynamic and ground-breaking orchestras in Spain, based in the Miguel Delibes cultural centre. All these events and activities illustrate the vibrant cultural spirit of Valladolid.

Although no documentary evidence remains to provide official proof, the University of Valladolid is probably the most senior of Spanish universities, which has also been a model for many eminent Spanish and Latin-American universities. The history of the University of Valladolid stretches back over seven centuries during which time it has grown and flourished, thanks to its ability to adapt and expand, and thanks to the warm welcome afforded by its people. Today it is one of the leading centres of higher education in Spain, with approximately 28,000 students covering four campuses, offering over 100 degrees, 17 post-graduate programmes and 50 masters, boasting a broad network of international relations, research centres, together with wideranging sports and cultural facilities and a rich architectural and documentary heritage. All of this combines to provide

an outstanding academic environment, equal to the oldest universities in Europe in terms of history, excellence and quality of research.

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Situated some 200 km north-west of Madrid, Valladolid enjoys an ideal geographical location as well as excellent communications which provide fast and convenient access to the city. Valladolid International Airport has daily flights to national as well as some international destinations, although the city can also easily be reached from virtually anywhere worldwide as it is only 55 minutes away from Madrid by high speed train.



In Valladolid there is a wide range of different types of accommodation all of which offer high quality and friendly hospitality. The tourist establishments are either fully restored historical buildings or modern hotels. The University of Valladolid has a number of special agreements with several hotels



which offer preferential rates and can arrange block booking. Most of the hotels are within 1km of the congress venue.

With its 350,000 inhabitants, Valladolid's size is also appealing and yet the city can boast the amenities and facilities of a large capital. These make Valladolid one of the main population centres in the north-west of the country, added to which Valladolid is the capital of the autonomous region of Castilla y León. The university campus spreads out from the city centre, and the nearby historical area means that visitors can easily get to the main places of tourist and cultural interest as well as their place of work on foot.

Valladolid's climate is typically continental, the temperature changing dramatically from summer to winter. Springs are mild and sunny, with temperatures averaging 20°C in June.

