

# 12<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL IAIS GLOBAL SEMINAR

13-14 June 2019

**BUENOS AIRES**

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The Superintendence of Insurance of Argentina (SSN) extends a warm welcome to all participants coming to Buenos Aires and is honoured to host the 12th Annual IAIS Global Seminar on 13-14 June 2019.

This document provides general information about the meetings and logistics.

Please contact the Planning Team if you require any further details not included in this document.

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## VENUE AND MEETING DATES

### Venue

The 12th Annual IAIS Global Seminar will take place in Buenos Aires on 13-14 June 2019. The event venue will be:

### Hotel Hilton Buenos Aires

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[reservations.buenosaires@hilton.com](mailto:reservations.buenosaires@hilton.com)



The **Global Seminar** will be held in the conference room Buen Ayre on Level 2, of the Hilton Buenos Aires Hotel. Information on the meetings is provided in the programme below:

The **Global Seminar programme is available at:**  
<https://iaisweb.org/page/events/global-seminar/buenos-aires>

## REGISTRATION

The registration desk will be open on the following dates/times:

THURSDAY	FRIDAY
13 JUNE	14 JUNE
8:00-18:00	8:00-18:00

All participants must present their passport at the registration desk to collect their registration pack and name badge. The name badge must be worn visibly at all times and is required to attend meetings and official functions.

### Internet Access

Free Wi-Fi will be available to all participants in the various meeting rooms.

**Wifi for in-house guests:**  
 Hilton Honors network  
**User:** guest name  
**Password:** room number

**WIFI Global Seminar:**  
**User:** Hmeetings  
**Password:** IAIS2019

## CATERING

Lunch and two refreshment breaks (morning and afternoon) will be provided for all participants from Thursday 13 June to Friday 14 June 2019.

## WELCOME RECEPTION (ALL PARTICIPANTS)

A Welcome Reception to the 12th Annual IAIS Global Seminar will be held on Thursday 13 June 2019 starting at 19:00 at Centro Cultural Kirchner (CCK), the old building of the Central Post Office.  
 Address: Sarmiento 151.

*The dress code is **smart casual**.*

Please note that shuttle buses to CCK will depart from the Hilton Hotel at 18:45. Please meet in the Hilton Hotel lobby for pick-up.

## HOST CITY: BUENOS AIRES

Buenos Aires is the capital and largest city of Argentina. It is a top tourist destination: the most visited city in South America, and the second-most visited city in Latin America.

Strongly influenced by European culture, Buenos Aires is sometimes called the "Paris of the South" or "Paris of South America".

## ART AND CULTURE

Buenos Aires has a huge range of museums offering major collections of international and Latin American art and insights into Argentina's history and culture. The city also boasts exciting cultural centres that host all kinds of performances and exhibitions, many of them with free entry. The city's art museums include the **National Museum of Fine Arts** (Museo Nacional de Bellas Artes - MNBA), which boasts one of the best art collections in Latin America with pieces by Picasso, Goya, El Greco, Rembrandt and many more. The **Museum of Latin American Art** (MALBA) features outstanding pieces of 20th century Latin American art, including work by Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera, while the **Museum of Modern Art** (Museo de Arte Moderno) has important international and national pieces, including work by Salvador Dalí, Pablo Picasso, Joan Miró and Henri Matisse.

Elsewhere, you can get an insight into the life and work of Argentina's most famous first lady at the [Museo Evita](#), and discover a host of other museums covering everything from science to weaponry.

Buenos Aires has around 300 theatres, making it one of the best cities in the world for performing arts. Head along Av. Corrientes between Av. Callao and Av. 9 de Julio and you will find yourself in BA's very own Broadway. The city's theatres show everything from musicals to ballet, comedy to circus.

Most famous, of course, is the majestic [Teatro Colón](#) (Cerrito 618, San Nicolás). Often referred to [in the same breath](#) as London's Royal Opera House and Milan's La Scala, the Colón Theatre is a world-class venue for opera, ballet and classical music. With unparalleled acoustics and a gorgeous décor, it's worth a peek inside even if you haven't time for a show or a guided tour. You can follow performances live on the web by going to [www.teatrocolon.org.ar/es/en-vivo](http://www.teatrocolon.org.ar/es/en-vivo).

Other standout theatres include:

[Teatro Nacional de Cervantes](#) (Av. Córdoba 1155, San Nicolás). Considered the main national stage theatre in Buenos Aires, the Teatro Nacional has three performance stages. Many comedy acts perform here too.

[Teatro San Martín](#) (Av. Corrientes 1530, Montserrat). The prestigious San Martín is part of the [Centro Cultural General San Martín](#).

## ARCHITECTURE

Passing through the streets of Buenos Aires, you'll be struck by the rich and eclectic mix of architectural styles on display. Private homes, small businesses

and even car parks can reveal details that delight and intrigue, and that's before we even mention the grand palaces, public buildings, and landscaped parks. The city's wealth at the start of the 20th century, together with a boom in immigration from Europe, brought architects from Italy, Britain, France and Germany to add their contributions to the city's collage of styles. For further information please visit: <https://turismo.buenosaires.gob.ar/en/article/architecture-buenos-aires>

## FOOD, DRINKS AND NIGHTLIFE

Eating out is one of Buenos Aires' pleasures. Here you will find a myriad of places to enjoy the beef Argentina is well known for and sample the many types of Argentinean wines.

You may also find a number of great internationally-inspired restaurants in Buenos Aires featuring cuisines such as French, Peruvian, Mexican, Japanese, Spanish, American, Middle Eastern and vegetarian.

- Buenos Aires famous steakhouse's:  
<https://turismo.buenosaires.gob.ar/en/article/buenos-aires-famous-steakhouses>
- 10 Restaurants with history:  
<https://turismo.buenosaires.gob.ar/en/agrupador-noticias/10-restaurants-history>
- Historic cafes:  
<https://turismo.buenosaires.gob.ar/en/article/historic-cafes>
- Pizzerías in Buenos Aires:  
<https://turismo.buenosaires.gob.ar/en/article/pizzerias-buenos-aires>
- Cocktail bars:  
<https://turismo.buenosaires.gob.ar/en/article/discover-buenos-aires-cocktail-scene>

## TANGO

Full of sensuality and nostalgia, tango is part of Buenos Aires' identity. Come to listen, watch and perhaps you'll even leave dancing like a local!

For further information:  
<https://turismo.buenosaires.gob.ar/en/agrupador-noticias/tango>

## SHOPPING, CRAFT AND DESIGN

Local crafts and independent designers make Buenos Aires an ideal destination for those seeking new trends and unique items.

For further information:

<https://turismo.buenosaires.gob.ar/en/article/shopping-crafts-and-design>

## THE LOCAL CURRENCY

Argentina's national currency is the Argentine peso. Note that it has the same symbol (\$) as the US dollar (don't be confused - prices expressed using the \$ symbol are in Argentine pesos unless stated otherwise. US dollars are usually referred to using the symbol: U\$S).

## CHANGING MONEY

It is easy to exchange money in Buenos Aires at casas de cambio (bureaux de change/currency exchanges) and at most banks - note that you will need to provide identification.

Illegal money changers operating in the street, particularly in areas such as Calle Florida, may claim to offer a slightly better rate for dollars and euros than banks and casas de cambio, but for safety reasons it is advised to change money at regulated institutions. For the same reason, we do not advise changing large amounts of money at one time.

Local currency can also be withdrawn 24 hours a day from ATMs, and larger shops and restaurants usually accept payment by credit or debit card.

## CREDIT CARDS

Credit cards are used widely in big shops in Argentina; VISA, American Express, and Master Card are accepted at major hotels and most restaurants and retail outlets.

## TIPPING

Tips commonly average 10% of the total bill in Argentina, in the Local Argentina

Peso or UD dollars (no credit card) , but can vary depending on the quality of the service provided.

## TAX-FREE SHOPPING

Foreign tourists are eligible to reclaim value added tax (VAT) on purchases of domestically-manufactured goods with a value over ARS 70 when acquired at participating outlets. The Global Blue website has useful information on the tax reclaim process here: [www.globalblue.com/tax-free-shopping/argentina/#refund-points](http://www.globalblue.com/tax-free-shopping/argentina/#refund-points). AFIP, the Argentine tax authority, also has information in Spanish here: [www.afip.gob.ar/turismo/](http://www.afip.gob.ar/turismo/).

## TRANSPORTATION

Buenos Aires has a quick, efficient and economical public transport system with more than 180 bus lines linking every area of the city and six underground metro (subte) lines, which connect the city's historic political and financial centre with the main avenues, train stations and coach stations.

To travel on public transport, you'll need a SUBE travelcard, which you can get from one of our Tourist Assistance Centers, subte stations and many kiosks throughout the city. Simply charge the card with credit and you're ready to travel. To check the best itinerary, download the free app Cómo Llego for your smartphone.

Another good way to get around BA is by bicycle. The city has one of the world's biggest networks of cycle lanes and a free 24-hour public bikeshare scheme called EcoBici.

## ELECTRICITY

The voltage in Argentina is 220V, 50Hz. The power plugs used in Buenos Aires are of the three-pin, or two round-shaped type.

## WEATHER AND CLIMATE

In Buenos Aires, the month of June is characterized by temperatures from 8°C (46.4°F) to 5°C (59°F).

#### TIME ZONE

Buenos Aires is located in the Argentina Standard Time zone:  
UTC/GMT-3 hours.

#### USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

- **911**: The Emergency number for police, fire and ambulance.
- **011**: Buenos Aires area code
- **(+54) 11 5480-6111**: International Airports (Aeroparque Metropolitano Jorge Newbery and Aeropuerto Internacional Ezeiza)
- **(+54) 11 5480-0066**: Taxi Ezeiza, for reservations [www.taxiezeiza.com.ar/eng](http://www.taxiezeiza.com.ar/eng)



