

**PRACTICAL INFORMATIONS FOR THE  
EUR-OCEANS HOT TOPICS CONFERENCE – A CHANGING OCEAN**  
**Wednesday 06 (starting at 09:00) to Friday 08 February 2013 (ending at 12:00)**  
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## VENUE AND CONTACTS

### Host & venue:

PLATAFORMA OCEANICA DE CANARIAS (PLOCAN)  
Ctra. de Taliarte, s/n .  
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## INVITED SPEAKERS AND CHAIRS

Please refer to the instructions contained in the invitation message that you have received. In short, EUR-OCEANS covers your participation through PLOCAN and/or IRD. Flights have been purchased and e-tickets sent to you. Rooms have been booked and prepaid for you at **Hotel Reina Isabel** or **NH Imperial Playa** (please refer to your own hotel voucher and see the hotel list below). We had offered you two coverage options:

1. **Option 1** (Simplest & fastest; allowing us to cover airplane tickets, hotel rooms, as well as lunches and dinners during the conference) — Hotel booking at Hotel Reina Isabel and purchase of airplane tickets must be arranged through PLOCAN.
2. **Option 2** (Implying a cumbersome procedure; but allowing us to also cover other possible expenses) — This option should be used: in case you prefer us to also cover expenses such as local transport, parking, stopovers; in case you prefer to purchase your flight yourself; or in case you prefer to stay in another hotel.

**If you have chosen Option 2** please remember to fill in and/or send us upon return all documents / paperwork not yet sent: signed travel form; letter from your organization certifying it will not cover expenses; official single bank document showing bank and bank address / bank owner name / bank account information – this is not readily available in some countries and might imply ad hoc document production, or the use of a bank statement –, bills and boarding cards. IRD reimbursement delays (beyond our control) might be long at this time of the year.

## RECIPIENTS OF FELLOWSHIPS

You will be hosted at Hotel Cantur (please refer to the list of hotels below).

## FLYING TO GRAN CANARIA

Airport: Las Palmas de Gran Canaria (LPA) -

<http://www.aena-aeropuertos.es/csee/Satellite/Aeropuerto-Gran-Canaria/en/Gran-Canaria.html>

List of companies that operate at LPA:

<http://www.aena-aeropuertos.es/csee/Satellite/Aeropuerto-Gran-Canaria/en/Page/1048858940244/>

There are direct flights (approx. 3 to 4.5 hour long) connecting several European cities to LPA. Please see list at:

<http://www.aena-aeropuertos.es/csee/Satellite/Aeropuerto-Gran-Canaria/en/Page/1056634680346/>

Count approximately a 6-hour travel time or more with a connecting flight.

## LOCAL TRANSPORT

### FROM AIRPORT TO LAS PALMAS HOTELS

**Bus route 60** connects the airport to Las Palmas:

<http://www.aena-aeropuertos.es/csee/Satellite/Aeropuerto-Gran-Canaria/en/Page/1237554499845/>

Tickets can be purchased onboard. In Las Palmas:

- Stop at **Santa Catalina Park** for Hotel Reina Isabel, Hotel Cristina, Hotel Cantur and apartment
- Stop at **San Telmo** for Hotel Parque and Hotel Santa Catalina

There is a **taxi station** outside the airport. A ride from the airport to the hotel area costs 35-40 € approximately. Taxi information on the airport website:

<http://www.aena-aeropuertos.es/csee/Satellite/Aeropuerto-Gran-Canaria/en/Page/1237554499856//Taxi.html>

### FROM HOTELS TO PLOCAN AND BACK – SCHEDULE OF CONFERENCE BUSES

Buses will be rented for the conference. They will stop to pick up participants at two locations (near hotels):



**Pick-up point No 1:** C/ Eduardo Benot, 3-5 in front of AC Gran Canaria Hotel

**Pick-up point No 2:** Avda. Marítima (bus stop Parque San Telmo , highway side)

*Please refer to the situation maps at the end of this document to figure out which stop is closer to your hotel. Beware: Look for the pin symbol; the bus symbol indicates regular bus stations, NOT the pick-up points.*

Buses will leave Las Palmas for the conference according to the following **schedule**:

#### Day 1 (Wed. 6)

- Pick-up point No 1: **08:15 am**
- Pick-up point No 2: **08:30 am**
- Return trip from PLOCAN to Las Palmas at: **19:00**

#### Day 2 (Thu. 7)

- Pick-up point No 1: **08:45 am**
- Pick-up point No 2: **09:00 am**
- Return trip from PLOCAN to Las Palmas at: **19:00**

#### Day 3 (Fri. 8)

- Pick-up point No 1: **08:15 am**
- Pick-up point No 2: **08:30 am**
- Return trip from PLOCAN to Las Palmas at: **14:30-15:00**

If you miss these buses, you can use a taxi (25-30 € from the hotel area to PLOCAN).

Alternatively, you can use one of the following buses from Las Palmas to Melenara, then take a taxi (just beside the bus stop) to PLOCAN (total cost ≈ 6 €).

[Line 1 \(LAS PALMAS - PUERTO DE MOGAN\)](#) from LAS PALMAS (SAN TELMO) to CRUCE DE MELENARA

[Line 4 \(LAS PALMAS - EL TABLERO\)](#) from LAS PALMAS (SAN TELMO) to CRUCE DE MELENARA

[Line 5 \(LAS PALMAS - FARO \(NOCTURNO\)\)](#) from LAS PALMAS (SAN TELMO to CRUCE DE MELENARA  
[Line 15 \(LAS PALMAS - REMUDAS - LAS PALMAS\)](#) from LAS PALMAS (SANTA CATALINA) to CRUCE DE MELENARA

#### FROM AIRPORT TO PLOCAN

There is a **taxi station** outside the airport. A ride from the airport to PLOCAN will cost 12-15 € approximately.

#### ACCOMODATION





**Invited speakers and chairs and other invitees:** Your hotel voucher (for *Reina Isabel* or *NH Imperial Playa*) has been sent to you by PLOCAN.




**Participants benefiting from fellowships (travel and/or stay):** Your hotel information has been sent to you by PLOCAN (for *Hotel Cantur*).

**Other participants:** Please make early travel and stay arrangements (Gran Canaria is a popular touristic destination).

#### RECOMMENDED HOTELS

PLOCAN recommends the following hotels, with which preferential rates have been negotiated. Please mention the booking reference indicated for each hotel (or “PLOCAN” when no reference is indicated) to benefit from these rates.

<p><a href="#">Hotel Santa Catalina</a> (Cat.5*)</p>		<p>ROOM RATES/night</p> <p>112.00€Double (single use) Std.  129.00€Double Std  130.00€Double (single use) Sup  147.00€Double Sup  192.00€Junior Suite (1-2 pax)</p> <p>Free Services included:  Wifi, Spa &amp; Fitness Center, Safety box, Shuttle bus to Las Canteras beach, Parking and Buffet Breakfast from 5.00 am to 11.00 am  (7% TAX not included)  <a href="#">Información extendida Hotel Santa Catalina 2012.pdf</a></p>	<p>HOTEL ADDRESS:</p> <p>HOTEL SANTA CATALINA (5*)  c/ Leon y Castillo, 227  35005 Las Palmas de Gran Canaria.  Gran Canaria. Canary Islands. Spain.  Phone: +34 928 295445 o +34 928 24 30 40  Mail: <a href="mailto:reservas@hotelsantacatalina.com">reservas@hotelsantacatalina.com</a>  Contact: Mrs Patricia Rodríguez  Booking Ref: PLOCAN</p>
<p><a href="#">Hotel Cristina</a> (Cat. 5*)</p>		<p>ROOM RATES/night:</p> <p><b>116.00€</b>Double City view  <b>100.00 €</b>Double (single use) City view  <b>138.00€</b>Double Sea view  <b>122.00€</b>Double (single use)Sea view</p> <p>Breakfast included  (7% TAX not included)</p>	<p>HOTEL ADDRESS:</p> <p>HOTEL CRISTINA (5*)  c/ Gomera, 6  35008 Las Palmas de Gran Canaria.  Gran Canaria. Canary Islands. Spain.  Phone: +34 928 274 095  Fax : +34 928 268411  Mail: <a href="mailto:reservas@hotelcristinalaspalmas.com">reservas@hotelcristinalaspalmas.com</a>  Contact:  Booking Ref: 2013--0126</p>
<p><a href="#">Hotel Reina Isabel</a> (Cat.4*)</p>		<p>ROOM RATES/night:</p> <p><b>76.00€</b>Single City view  <b>98.25€</b>Single Sea view  <b>108.00€</b>Double City view  <b>152.50 €</b>Double Sea view</p> <p>Breakfast and tax included  Less than 3 nights 10% extra charge</p>	<p>HOTEL ADDRESS:</p> <p>HOTEL REINA ISABEL(4*)  c/ Alfredo L. Jones, 40  35008 Las Palmas de Gran Canaria.  Gran Canaria. Canary Islands. Spain.  Phone: +34 928 260110  Mail: <a href="mailto:mcabrera@bullhotels.com">mcabrera@bullhotels.com</a>  Contact: Mrs M Carmen Cabrera</p>
<p><a href="#">NH Imperial Playa</a> (Cat.4*)</p>		<p>ROOM RATES/night:</p> <p>97.00€Double (single use)</p> <p>Breakfast included  (7% TAX included)</p>	<p>HOTEL ADDRESS:</p> <p>HOTEL NH IMPERIAL PLAYA(4*)  C/ Ferreras, 1,  35008 Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Canary Islands.  Spain  Phone:+34 928 46 88 54</p> <p>Booking: Ask Conference Organizer</p>

<p><a href="#">Hotel Cantur</a> (Cat.4*)</p>		<p>ROOM RATES/night: <b>75.00€</b>Double (single use) <b>80.00€</b>Double</p> <p>Breakfast included (7% TAX included)</p>	<p>HOTEL ADDRESS: HOTEL CANTUR(4*) c/ Sagasta, 28 35008 Las Palmas de Gran Canaria. Gran Canaria. Canary Islands. Spain. Phone: +34 928 273000 Mail: <a href="mailto:direccion@hotelcantur.com">direccion@hotelcantur.com</a> Contact: Mrs.Esther Echave Vega</p>
<p><a href="#">Hotel Parque</a> (Cat.4*)</p>		<p>ROOM RATES/night: <b>59.00€</b>Double (single use) <b>64.00€</b>Double <b>71.00€</b>Double Sup <b>88.00€</b>Trp</p> <p>Buffet Breakfast included  (7% TAX included)</p>	<p>HOTEL ADDRESS: HOTEL PARQUE(4*) c/ Muelle Las Palmas, 2 35003 Las Palmas de Gran Canaria. Gran Canaria. Canary Islands. Spain. Phone: +34 928 368000 Mail: <a href="mailto:reservas@hparque.com">reservas@hparque.com</a> Contact: Mrs. Joana López</p>
<p><a href="#">Apartaments Colón Playa</a></p>		<p>Check availability &amp; rates online</p>	<p>HOTEL ADDRESS: APARTAMENTS COLON PLAYA C/ Alfredo L. Jones, 45 35007 Las Palmas de Gran Canaria Phone: +34 928 265 954 Fax: +34 928 265 958 Mail: <a href="mailto:reservas@colonplaya.com">reservas@colonplaya.com</a> Web:<a href="http://www.colonplaya.com">www.colonplaya.com</a></p>

## OTHER HOTELS

If you book a room in another hotel than those indicated, please keep in mind that buses will leave for the conference from the two locations indicated above (Transport section; see also the situation maps at the end of this document).

## MEALS

- **Lunches** and **coffee breaks** will be offered at PLOCAN on Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Group **dinners** in local restaurants of Las Palmas will be offered on Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>.
- **Please indicate in your registration form (or at the registration desk) which lunches and dinners you will be able to attend.**

## CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

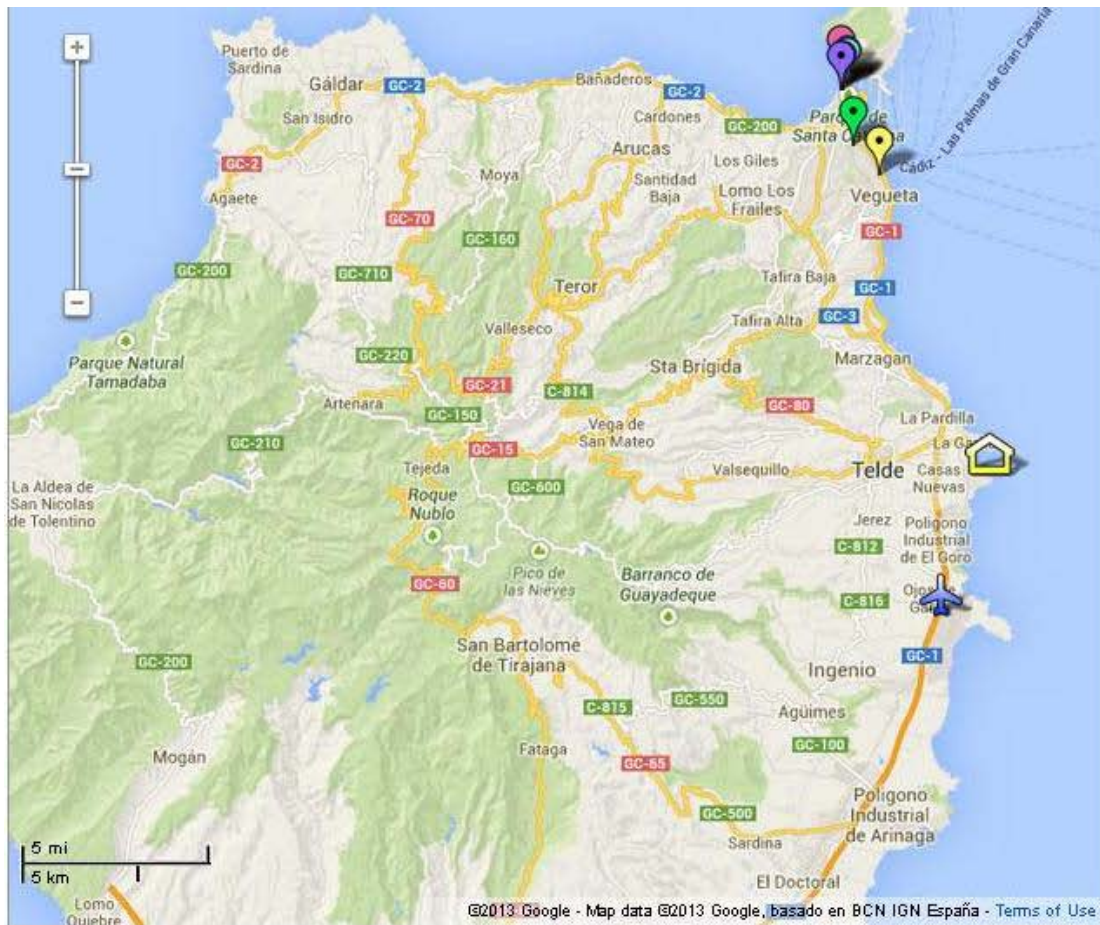
Conference registration is free. We kindly ask you (1) to register as soon as possible and before the deadline using the online registration form which is accessible from the [conference webpage](#); (2) to inform [conference2013@eur-oceans.eu](mailto:conference2013@eur-oceans.eu) in case you would subsequently have to cancel your participation.

## MISCELLANEOUS

- **Gran Canaria Tourist board:** [http://www.grancanaria.com/patronato\\_turismo/283.0.html](http://www.grancanaria.com/patronato_turismo/283.0.html)
- **Island tour:** Depending on the interest expressed in the registration forms, a short touristic tour (half-day or full-day) might be organized. Information will follow at a later stage.

## SITUATION MAPS









GENERAL (AIRPORT, VENUE, HOTELS) - [HTTP://GOO.GL/MAPS/ISKWA](http://goo.gl/maps/ISKWA)




### General situation map - EOC 2013 hot topics conference

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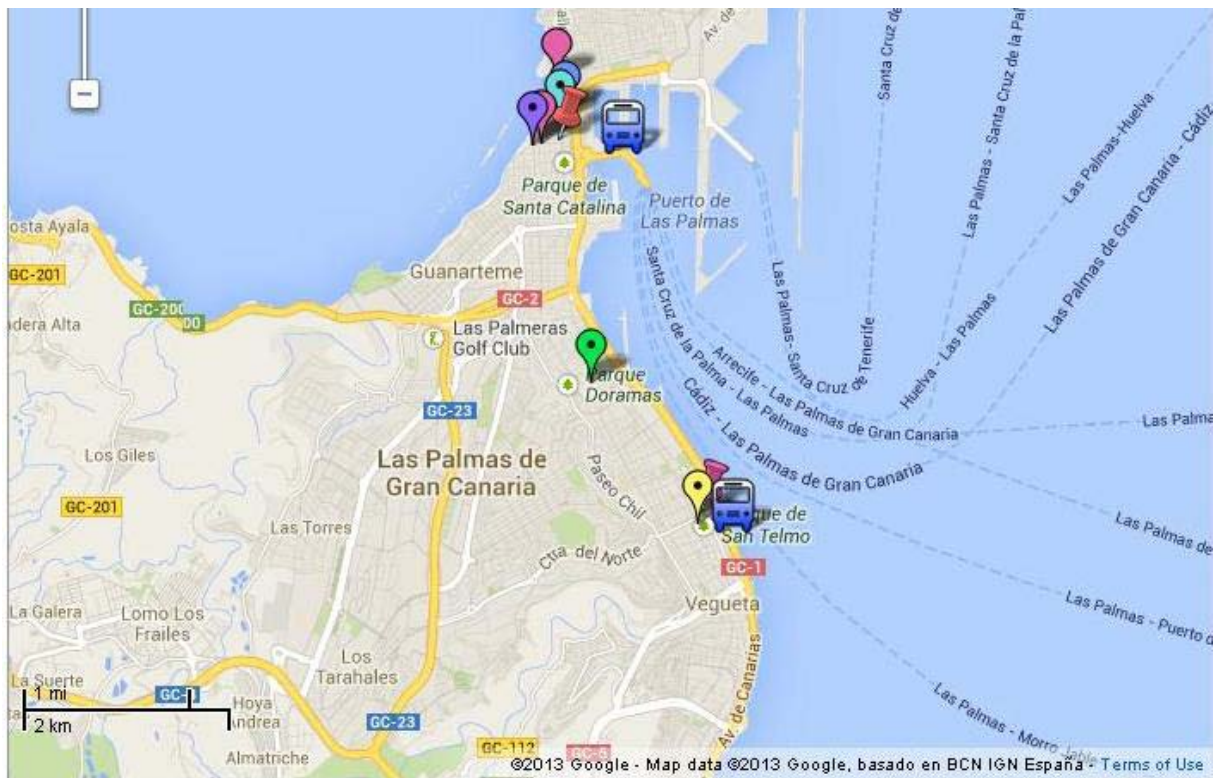
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-  Best Western Plus Hotel Cantur
-  Reina Isabel
-  Colon Playa
-  Hotel Santa Catalina
-  Hotel Parque
-  Oceanic Platform of the Canary Islands Conference venue

Oceanic Platform of the Canary Islands  
35214 Telde (Gran Canaria)  
Las Palmas, Spain  
+34 928 13 44 14  
[plocan.eu](http://plocan.eu)

-  Aeropuerto de Gran Canaria Airport

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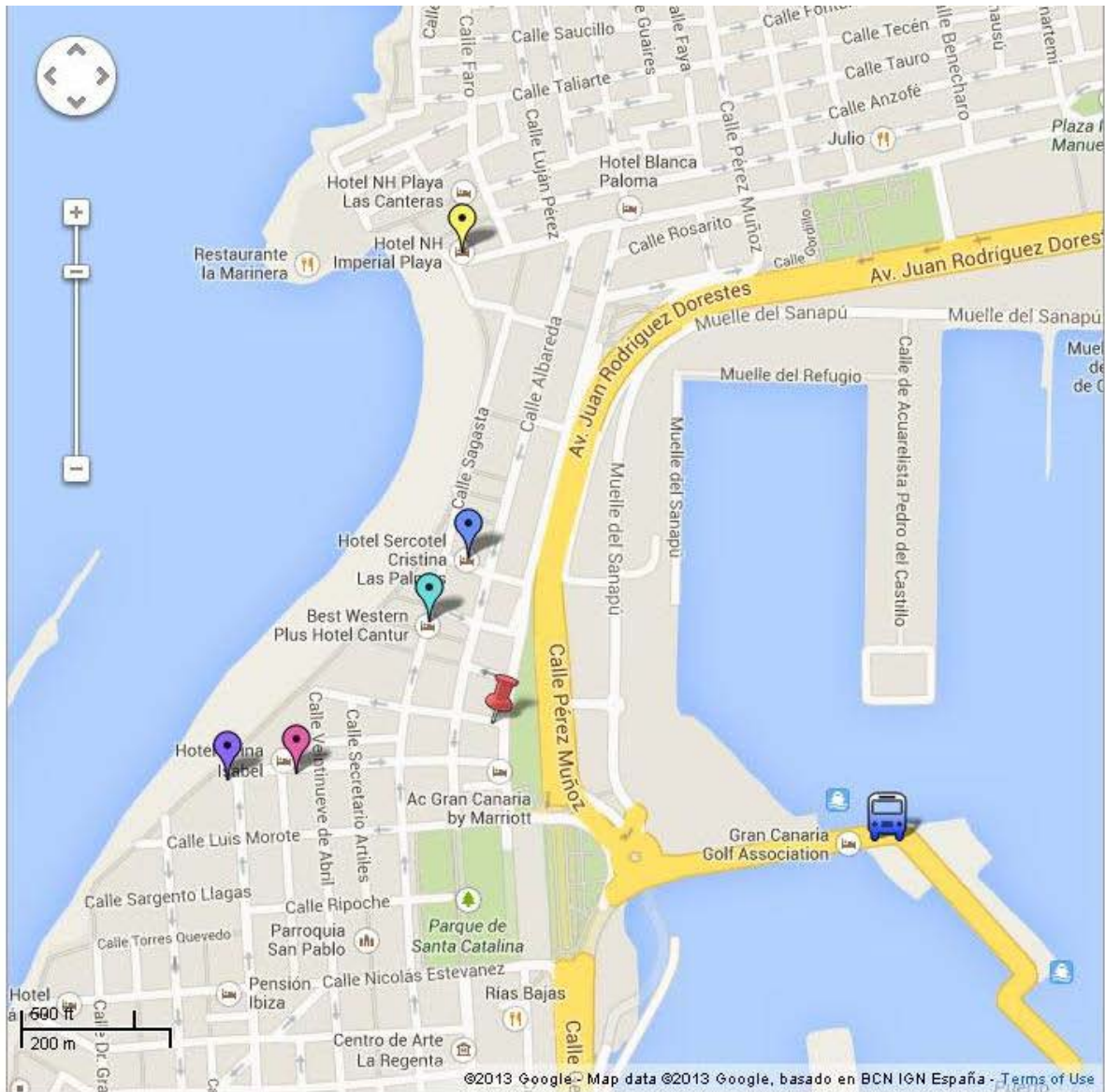


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-  Bus to conference - Calle Eduardo Benot, 5  
35007 Las Palmas, Spain
-  Bus to conference - San Telmo Park
-  Bus station - Santa Catalina  
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-  Bus station - San Telmo



### Hotels, Las Canteras area - EOC hot topics conference

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-  Reina Isabel
-  Colon Playa
-  Bus to conference - Calle Eduardo Benot, 3-5
-  Bus station - Santa Catalina