



APTA Study Tour in the framework of UITP 2023 Summit
Madrid- Valencia-Barcelona

May 31 – June 3, 2023

****All times are local CET***

Wednesday May 31 arrivals in Madrid and informal dinner with the APTA group

Day 1, Thursday 1 June 2023 (Madrid)

9 – 10:30 am	Meeting with Consorcio Regional de Transportes de Madrid- discussion on integrated management and visit to CITRAM (the PT Integrated Management Center at CRTM premises)
11 am – 1:30 pm	Meeting and tour with EMT - Focus on Bus, discussion on electric and hydrogen bus developments with EMT Madrid executives
1:30 - 3:30 pm	Light lunch and roundtable with Madrid PT stakeholders CRTM, Metro de Madrid and EMT Madrid
4:00 – 6:30 pm	Meeting and tour with Metro de Madrid on rail innovations, ridership rebuilding and customer experience enhancements
Eve	Dinner

Day 2, Friday 2 June 2023 (Valencia)

AM	Travel by high speed rail to Valencia (1h55)
1 – 3:30 pm	Lunch and round table discussion with city of Valencia DOT and the urban bus operator EMT
4 – 6:00 pm	Meeting and tour with regional and light rail operator
Eve	Dinner with regional transportation authorities and light rail operator

Day 3, Saturday 3 June 2023 (Barcelona)

AM	Travel by High Speed Train to Barcelona (2h55)
2 – 4:00 pm	Meetings and tour with Barcelona Transit Agency TMB focused on the transition to zero-emissions

Thank you for expressing an interest in participating in the APTA pre-UITP Summit Tour to Spain, May 31 – June 3, 2023 to Madrid, Valencia, Barcelona.

We are asking all participants to please register using [this link](#) by COB Wednesday March 22, 2023. Note that we may be able to accept further registrations after March 22 but have limited space and wish to be in a position to finalize hotel room blocks and rail transfers as soon as possible due to the high-tourist season in Spain.

Tour content

APTA and UITP, the International Association of Public Transport, are co-organizing this condensed study mission in Spain immediately prior to the UITP Global Public Transport Summit in Barcelona, June 4 – 7, 2023.

The tour will be exclusively for APTA members from North America who are attending the UITP Summit and it is a unique opportunity to meet with key public transportation leaders from Madrid, Valencia and Barcelona, cities that have developed modern, efficient and well-connected transit systems.

Participants will gain insights into the capital planning, development and operation of the urban and regional rail and bus networks as well as travel the high-speed rail network that connects them. A mix of strategic and operational topics will be discussed of relevance to North America including ridership recovery, capital planning, project delivery, workforce development and the transition to zero-emissions.

The draft itinerary for the tour is enclosed with this email.

Practical details

- Members will be asked to arrange their own air transportation to Madrid and from Barcelona.
- Arrival is recommended no later than Wednesday May 31 for a dinner gathering, followed by an all day visit to Madrid on Thursday June 1, Valencia on Friday June 2, ending in Barcelona on Saturday June 3.
- Participants will be asked to cover the cost of hotels, some meals and the transit within and rail transfers between cities. APTA is seeking hotel room blocks for hotels in Madrid and Valencia, and will make arrangements for group tickets for transfers in and between cities. We anticipate the total costs for accommodation and travel will be 1000 – 1250 US\$.
- Participants are asked to book their own hotel in Barcelona via the UITP Summit website:
<https://uitpsummit.bnetwork.com/>
- In addition, any APTA member that books registration for the UITP Summit through APTA will benefit from a reduced Summit registration rate of 1345 Euro (1460 US\$).

Do let me know if you have any questions!



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