PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME - I INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON TOURISM LAW OF THE UNWTO

International Code for the Protection of Tourists: achievements and challenges
30 November - 1 December 2023, Salamanca, Spain

Thursday, 30 November 2023
Venue: Edificio Histórico. University of Salamanca

09:00.- Registration and Information
09:30.- Opening remarks

Mr. Zurab Pololikashvili. UNWTO Secretary-General
Mr. Ricardo Rivero Ortega. Rector Magnificus of University of Salamanca
Ms. Rosa Ana Morillo Rodríguez. Secretaria de Estado de Turismo
Delegate from the Regional Government - Castilla y León (pending confirmation)
Delegate from the Local Government - Ayuntamiento de Salamanca (pending confirmation)

10:30.- Opening multilateral panel. Tourism Law as a branch of International Law.

Mr. Santiago Villalpando, Legal Adviser, UNESCO
Delegates from: UN, UNCTAD, ICAO, OMS, BID, EU (pending confirmation)

11:30.- Coffee break

12:00.- Best practices at international level

Delegates from: Spain, Croatia, Uruguay, OCDE, Brazil, Portugal, Lithuania, Senegal, Cambodia/Thailand- (pending confirmation).

13:30.- Lunch sponsored by ______________________

15:00.- First panel
First UNWTO International Seminar. The International Code for the Protection of Tourists as a tool against the crisis. Background and development.

Mr. Francisco Javier Melgosa Arcos. Full Professor of Administrative Law, University of Salamanca.
Ms. Laurence Jegouzo, Maître de conférences. Université Paris 1 Panthéon – Sorbonne, France.
Mr. Julio Facal. University of the Republic of Uruguay. ICPT Committee Expert.
Ms. Alicia Gómez Alapont, UNWTO Legal Counsel, Spain.
Ms. Alessandra Priante, Director for Europe at UNWTO.
16:30.- Second panel
Principles and recommendations for the assistance to international tourists in emergency situations – Prevention, Information, Assistance, Repatriation.

Academic Experts
Mr. Diego Benítez, Full Professor of Tourism Law at University of Rio Negro, Argentina. ICPT Committee Expert.
Mr. Hain Shen, Associate Professor at the China University of Political Science and Law. ICPT Committee Expert.
Mr. Óscar Casanovas Ibáñez. Associate Professor of Law and Tourism Politics. CETT Campus, University of Barcelona, Spain.
Mr. Enrique Mota. Professor of Private Law at University del Caribe.

Observers
Ms. Jacqueline Tanti Dougall. University of Malta. President at the International Forum of Travel and Tourism Advocates (IFTTA) (pending confirmation).
Ms. Nuria Sobrino, Legal Director, Allianz Partners.

18:30.- Guided tour through Salamanca
20:15.- Dinner sponsored by ________________

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09:00.- Third panel
Minimum standards on tourists’ protection

Academic Experts
Mr. Francesco Morandi, Full Professor of Tourism and Transport Law, University of Sassari, Italy. ICPT Committee Expert. Attorney at Law.
Ms. Mar Gómez Lozano. Associate Professor of Commercial Law, University of Almería, Spain.
Mr. Christophe Lachieze, Professor of Private Law at University Paris 8 Panthéon – Sorbonne, France.
Ms. Antonia Paniza Fullana. Full Professor of Private Law, University of Islas Baleares, Spain.
Mr. Marcos Iglesias Caridad. Prof. Contratado Doctor of Financial Law, University of Salamanca.

Observers
Mr. James Wiltshire, Assistant Director, External Affairs, IATA

10:30.- Coffee break
10:45.- Fourth panel
Contractual issues relating to emergency situations

Academic Experts
Ms. Sarah Prager, Barrister, Bar of England and Wales, United Kingdom. ICPT Committee Expert.
Ms. Inmaculada González Cabrer, Associate Professor of Commercial Law, University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain.
Ms. Patricia Benavides Velasco, Associate Professor of Commercial Law, University of Málaga, Spain.

Observers
ECTAA (pending confirmation).
D. Gianluca Rossoni. Professor, Instituto Tecnico Commerciale de Padova, Italy.

12:15.- Fifth Panel
Tourists’ protection in digital tourism services

Academic Experts
Mr. Julio Facal. University of the Republic of Uruguay. ICPT Committee Expert.
Mr. Fernando Carbajo. Associate Professor of Commercial Law, University of Salamanca, Spain.
Ms. Nuria Fernández Pérez. Associate Professor of Commercial Law, University of Alicante, Spain.
Ms. Pilar Juana García Saura, Associate Professor of Public Law, University of Murcia, Spain.
Ms. Dolores Ordóñez. CEO de AnySolution, Vice-president of Gaia-X España, Spain.

Observers
Delegate from Quintana Roo (Mexico) (pending confirmation).

13:45.- Lunch sponsored by ____

15:00.- Sixth panel
Alternatives Means of Dispute Resolution at the international level as a tool to protect the tourist

Academic experts
Ms. Christine Riefa, Associate Professor, University of Reading, United Kingdom. ICPT Committee Expert.
Mr. Felio José Bauzá Martorell, Associate Professor of Public Law, University of Islas Baleares, Spain.
Ms. Evanthia Kardoulia, Lecturer in Tourism Law, Neapolis University Pafos. Legal Advisor at the European Consumer Centre-Greece, Greece.
Mr. Humberto Gonsálbez. Lecturer of Public Law, University of Córdoba, Spain.

Observers
The Hague Conference on Private International Law (HCCH) *(pending confirmation)*.
International Law Association (ILA) *(pending confirmation)*.

16:30.- Seventh panel
*When the crisis becomes an opportunity. Adherence to the ICPT as a balancing tool among countries, tourism service providers and tourists themselves.*

UNWTO Experts
Ms. Alicia Gómez Alapont, Legal Counsel at UNWTO, Spain.
Ms. Emily Steinmayr, Legal Officer at UNWTO, Italy.

Academic Experts
Mr. Francisco Javier Melgosa. Full Professor of Administrative Law, University of Salamanca, Spain.

Adhering Countries
Mr. Mateo Estrella, Full Professor, Faculty of Hospitality and Tourism Sciences, Universidad de Cuenca, Ecuador
Mr. Ignacio Curbelo, Tourism Director, Ministry of Tourism, Uruguay, *(pending confirmation)*. Delegates from other States *(pending confirmation)*.

18:00.- Presentation of the Tourism Law Observatory for Latin America and the Caribbean.
Ms. Alicia Gómez Alapont, Legal Counsel at UNWTO, Spain.
Ms. Adela Moreda Mora, Sector Lead Specialist, Tourism, Interamerican Development Bank, Spain.

18:15.- Closing Ceremony of the I International Seminar on Tourism Law by the UNWTO Secretary-General and the Rector Magnificus of University of Salamanca

19:30.- Cocktail _____________
Academic Panels

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16:30.- PhD panel defense

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