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CEO Strategy  
Summit 2019

11 March, Madrid, Spain

# Practical Information Guide



## Location

Madrid is the capital city of Spain, with a population of 3.2 million. This large and growing population makes it the third largest city in Europe.



## Currency

The currency in Spain is the Euro. 1 EUR is approximately 1.12 USD. For the latest exchange rates, we recommend to use a [currency converter](#).



## Visa Information

There are a number of countries whose citizens are required to have a valid current visa to enter Spain. For information about obtaining a visa, please visit: [www.spain.info/en/informacion-practica/consejos-viaje/consejos-practicos/requisitos](http://www.spain.info/en/informacion-practica/consejos-viaje/consejos-practicos/requisitos)



## Tipping

In Spain, the service charge in restaurants is included in the bill. Most Spaniards leave an additional five percent of the bill as a tip. In a taxi, rounding up the fare to the nearest Euro is standard, if you are happy with the service.



## Time Zone

The time zone in Madrid is UTC/GMT +1 hour.



## Electricity

Spain uses the 230V AC at a frequency of 50Hz. Two pin electrical plugs are standard in Madrid.



## Language

Spanish, also known as Castilian Spanish or just Castilian, is the official national language in Spain. However, English is widely spoken in Madrid.

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## Climate

The climate of Madrid is dry and warm. The weather in March can vary but the average daytime temperature is 16°C (60°F). While the weather is warming up during March, temperatures at night can drop below freezing.

## Transport

There are several means of transport to get around town. The most popular are the subway network, bus service and train. Official taxis carry diagonal red stripes and a green light on the roof.

## Water

Tap water is drinkable in Spain. However, if you wish to buy bottled water, "sin gas" is still water and "con gas" is carbonated water.

## Health

The Spanish National Health Service has an extensive network of health centres and hospitals throughout the country. They are usually located within 15 minutes of any place of residence. Medications are obtained at pharmacies, which are marked with a green cross. Prescriptions need to be obtained from a doctor. If you come from a European Union country, or your country has health agreements with Spain, you will have the same prescription drug benefits as Spanish citizens.

## Emergency services

In case of emergency, dial 112 (free of charge).



### Hotel Meliá Castilla

Calle del Poeta Joan Maragall, 43,  
28020 Madrid

 **11 March**  
CANSO CEO Strategy Summit

 **09:30 – 15:40**  
Business Attire

### Casino de Madrid

Calle de Alcalá, 15  
28022 Madrid

 **11 March**  
CANSO ATM Gala Dinner

 **18:30 – 22:00**  
Cocktail (suit jackets and ties are required for gentlemen).

 **IFEMA**  
Av. Partenón, 5  
28042 Madrid

 **12-14 March**  
World ATM  
Congress

 **Exhibition Hours**  
Tuesday 10:00 – 19:30  
Wednesday 10:00 – 18:00  
Thursday 10:00 – 14:00

**Conference**  
The Conference starts on 12 and 13 March at 09:15.  
Conference tickets can be bought onsite by credit card or cash.

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