



# **Logistical Information**

29 January - 2 February 2024

**Host agencies:** WIPO and UNODC, in partnership with CIFAL Málaga **Meeting dates:** 

- Professional Development Seminar, 29 January 2024
- Evaluation Practice Exchange Seminar, 30-31 January 2024
- Annual General Meeting, 1-2 February 2024.

Meeting venues: Various locations in the historical centre of Málaga

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# **General Meeting Information**

UNEG EvalWeek 2024 will consist of three events:

- 29 January Professional Development Seminars (PDS)
- 30-31 January Evaluation Practice Exchange Seminars (EPE)
- 1-2 February Annual General Meeting (AGM)

## **Professional Development Seminar and Evaluation Practice Exchange**

The purpose of the PDS is to provide training on topics deemed highly useful in evaluation work. The EPE is a unique forum for UNEG members to meet, share and exchange experiences of best practices, lessons and knowledge in evaluation. Specifically, its purpose is to:

- Facilitate learning and exchange of experiences amongst UNEG members;
- Improve the credibility and utility of UN evaluations; and
- Contribute to the advancement of the evaluation function in the UN system.

Following discussions at the UNEG AGM 2023, the overarching theme of the PDS/ EPE 2024 is:

# **Evaluating Of and In Crisis**

#### Venues

The PDS and EPE sessions will be held in various locations in the historic centre of Málaga, including.

- <u>Cine Albéniz</u>, C/ Alcazabilla, 4, 29015 Málaga
- Museo Picasso Málaga, Palacio de Buenavista, C. San Agustín, 8, 29015 Málaga
- <u>Antiguo Hospital Noble UN House</u> (CIFAL-Malaga UNITAR, Building 1), Plaza del General Torrijos, 2- 29016, Málaga, Spain.
- <u>Museo del Patrimonio Municipal</u>, P.º Reding, 1, 29016 Málaga
- Universidad de Málaga, Av. de Cervantes, 2, 29016 Málaga
- <u>Casa del Jardinero</u> (<u>CIFAL-Malaga UNITAR building 2</u>), Av. de Cervantes, 1, 29016
   Málaga

All venues are within short walking distances of each other. Exact session venues will be confirmed when registration has been completed and will be communicated in the final UNEG EvalWeek agenda.

#### Who can attend the PDS/EPE?

- **In person** All UNEG members and invited partners.
- Online The OC are preparing for a return to pre-COVID times where participants attended
  in person. Some sessions may be available online in which case UNEG members and invited
  partners may attend.

#### **Annual General Meeting**

The AGM is the forum for UNEG Heads to meet and review progress and results of the work programme. It is also an opportunity to decide on future strategies and work areas.<sup>1</sup>

#### Venue

The UNEG AGM will be held in the Sala Victoria, <u>Gran Hotel Miramar</u>, Paseo Reding 22-24, 29016 Málaga.

#### Who can attend the AGM?

- In person UNEG Heads and/ or a designated representative, and WG coordinators.
- Online UNEG Heads and/ or a designated representative, WG coordinators and WG members.

# **Meeting Documents**

UNEG EvalWeek 2024 will be **paperless**. Participants will be able to access all documents on the <u>UNEG</u> website and <u>UNEG Teams Channel</u> as they become available.

# **Reception and Social Events**

A number of social events are being planned (e.g. a welcome cocktail and self-paid social dinner). Details will be shared once registration has closed.

# **Catering**

Coffee and refreshments will be provided during coffee breaks.

For lunch, there are a number of restaurants and bars within walking distance from <u>Antiguo Hospital Noble</u> <u>– UN House</u> to explore and sample including:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As of 30 October, the agendas for the PDS/ EPE and AGM are still being drafted and will be shared when available.

- Restaurante Miguel, <u>Calle Puerto</u>, 4, 29016 Málaga, (+34 952 22 68 40)
- Marisquería Godoy (+34 952 29 03 12)
- Gorki Selección <u>Paseo de la Farola, P.º del Muelle Uno, 53, 29001 Málaga</u> (+34 52 22 76 23)
- Restaurante La Tagliatella <u>Muelle Uno s/n, locales 009 012, 29001 Málaga</u> (+34 952 22 63 65)
- Hard Rock Cafe Malaga P.º del Muelle Uno, 1, 29016 Málaga (+34 952 05 97 00)
- ANGUS Muelle Uno Muelle Uno, Local 55, P.º de la Farola, 29001 Málaga (+34 952 00 11 20)

Other restaurants and bars within walking distance from Casa del Jardinero are:

- Uvedoble Taberna C/ Alcazabilla, 1, 29015 Málaga (+34 951 24 84 78)
- La Sole del Pimpi C. Zegrí, 4, 29015 Málaga (+34 952 22 89 90)
- Batik <u>C/ Alcazabilla, 12, 29015 Málaga</u> (+34 952 22 10 45)
- Restaurante Gutiérrez Puerto <u>Puerto de Málaga Muelle 2 El Palmeral de las Sorpresas</u>, 29001
- Casa Lola Uncibay Pl. de Uncibay, 3, 5, 29008 Málaga (+34 952 73 57 27)
- Pez Lola C. Granada, 42, 29008 Málaga (+34 952 84 91 51)

#### **Accommodation**

**Participants are responsible for making their own accommodation arrangements.** A non-exhaustive list of hotels in central Malaga is available in Annex 1.

The prices indicated are indicative and you may book either directly or using reservation websites such as booking.com and hotels.com.

Although January is low season in Málaga, it is recommended you book your accomodation as soon as possible.

#### **General travel information**

#### **About the City**

The Spanish city of Málaga is a Mediterranean seaport on the Costa del Sol in the Andalusian region of southern Spain. With a population of 593,000 inhabitants (in 2023), Málaga is the second most populated city in Andalusia, and the fifth most populated city in Spain.

#### **Arriving in Malaga**

Málaga city is the centre of an important communications hub, so getting to the city is easy with multiple modes of transportation.

Participants are responsible for making their own travel arrangements to, from and within Málaga.

#### Visa and Passport requirements

Citizens from a member-country of the Schengen agreement do not need a passport to enter Spain. An official national ID card will suffice. Citizens from EU countries that do not form part of the Schengen agreement require a valid passport to enter Spain. Other nationals are advised to check visa requirements with the diplomatic representation of Spain in your country well in advance of your trip and to get the needed visa before departure. United Nations Laissez-Passer Holders are exempt from visa requirements.

If you require an invitation for visa purposes, please contact the **UNEG Secretariat**.

#### By Plane

The <u>Málaga-Costa del Sol Airport</u> is one of the most important hubs in Spain and has connections to major cities worldwide. It is located 10 km from the city's Historic Quarter and upon arrival there are several ways into the city:

• Train: There is a direct Cercanias train (C1) departing from Estación de tren Málaga Aeropuerto that arrives at Estación de tren Malaga Centro Alameda. Services depart every 30 minutes and operate every day, from 06:54 to 21:14. The journey to Hotel MS Maestranza (Recommended hotel close to the meeting venue) takes approximately 13 minutes, with 4 stops, and costs 1–3€.

For more information: <a href="http://www.aena.es/en/malaga-airport/train.html">http://www.aena.es/en/malaga-airport/train.html</a>

• Bus: The "A" Bus Express Line connects the airport with the city centre in only 25 minutes. The bus leaves from directly outside the arrivals Terminal and terminates at

Paseo del Parque. A single way ticket costs 4€. You can pay for tickets by card (VISA or Mastercard) or in cash on the bus<sup>2</sup>.

For more information: <a href="http://www.aena.es/en/malaga-airport/city-buses.html">http://www.aena.es/en/malaga-airport/city-buses.html</a>

• Taxi: The airport has a well-signposted taxi rank outside the arrivals area of Terminal T3. The distance from Málaga-Costa del Sol Airport to Hotel MS Maestranza is 14km and will take about 15 minutes depending on traffic. The fare is about 30-40 €.

For more information: http://www.aena.es/en/malaga-airport/taxi.html

#### By Train

Málaga's María Zambrano Train Station is connected to Spain's major cities through the Spanish High Speed (AVE) network.

#### By Car

Access from the north is along the A-45 motorway (Antequera-Málaga), which links up with the A-92 motorway that crosses the Andalusian Region. The highways from the north of Spain join this motorway. The A-45 motorway accesses Málaga in the Ciudad Jardín district and then continues to the city centre.

The A-7 motorway (Autovía del Mediterráneo), which runs along the whole of the province's coastline from Nerja to Algeciras, in the province of Cádiz, provides access to the city from along the coast.

## **General information**

## **Electricity**

In Spain, the power sockets are of type F. The standard voltage is 230 V and the standard frequency is 50 Hz.

Type F

Germany, Austria, the Netherlands, Sweden, Norway, Finland, Portugal, Spain and Eastern Europe

Two round prongs and two grounding clips.

Two round prong holes and grounding clips.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Details updated 11 December.

#### Weather

In January-February, the average daytime temperatures are around 17°C (62°F) whereas the average minimum temperatures drop down to 9°C (48°F). Learn more <a href="https://weather.com/weather/today/l/SPXX0052:1:SP">https://weather.com/weather/today/l/SPXX0052:1:SP</a>.

#### Currency

The national currency in Spain is the Euros (€). The UN operational exchange rate as of 1st September 2023 is 1 USD= 0.914 Euro.

Foreign currency can be changed at the Málaga-Costa del Sol Airport, Pier D (Floor 1): from 6:30am to 10:30pm. Banks and foreign currency exchange bureaux also offer these services. Cashless/bank card payments are widely accepted in Málaga. ATMs are easily found across the city.

### **Safety and Security**

Spain is considered a safe tourist destination and visitors can easily explore, discover and enjoy the city. Nevertheless, participants are advised to exercise caution and remain aware of their surroundings.

## **Emergency Contacts**

Emergency numbers are available 24 hours a day.

- All Emergencies: 112
- Medical Service Emergencies: 061 or +34 902 50 50 61
- Local Police (Emergency): 092

# **Annex 1: Accommodation list**

The following is a non-exhaustive list of hotels in central Málaga. The rates indicated are approximate.

Hotel	Comments
Hotel MS Maestranza  Av. de Cánovas del Castillo, 1, 29016 Málaga  https://maps.app.goo.gl/gm1Pm9FoAUtVh5MK6	Rate varies by season: 140€ - 220€ Free Wifi
Hotel Vincci Larios  C. Marqués de Larios, 10, 29005 Málaga <a href="https://maps.app.goo.gl/6MkNNAfd1oz9GZQe9">https://maps.app.goo.gl/6MkNNAfd1oz9GZQe9</a>	Rate varies by season: 230€ - 270€ Free Wifi
Only YOU Hotel Alameda Principal, 1, 29001 Málaga, Spain <a href="https://maps.app.goo.gl/Sy3Z4yKui6anM4HG9">https://maps.app.goo.gl/Sy3Z4yKui6anM4HG9</a>	Rate varies by season: 220€ - 250€ Free Wifi
Hotel SOHO Boutique Equitativa EDIFICIO DE LA EQUITATIVA, Alameda Principal, 3, 29001 Málaga https://maps.app.goo.gl/NGmfXuQvWAkV92ES7	Rate varies by season: 150€ - 200€ Free Wifi
Hotel SOHO Boutique Colón Alameda de Colón, 5, 29001 Málaga https://maps.app.goo.gl/7JeyU7aQP5w4yrfu9	Rate varies by season: 200€ - 240€ Free Wifi
Room Mate Valeria Hotels Plaza Poeta Alfonso Canales, 5, 29001Málaga, <a href="https://maps.app.goo.gl/a6m8BfCXqQVCkA4S7">https://maps.app.goo.gl/a6m8BfCXqQVCkA4S7</a>	Rate varies by season: 150€ - 160€ Free Wifi
Hotel MOLINA LARIO C. Molina Lario, 20, 29015 Málaga https://maps.app.goo.gl/mMcJnMLboQq6GztR6	Rate varies by season: 130€ - 150€ Free Wifi
Hotel NH Málaga C. San Jacinto, 2, 29007 Málaga <a href="https://maps.app.goo.gl/YM2bVDuujAKrVtS27">https://maps.app.goo.gl/YM2bVDuujAKrVtS27</a>	Rate varies by season: 135€ - 150€ Free Wifi
AC Hotel Málaga Palacio Calle Cortina del Muelle, 1, 29015 Málaga <a href="https://maps.app.goo.gl/XD3sYPG2Fvh3Zuzg9">https://maps.app.goo.gl/XD3sYPG2Fvh3Zuzg9</a>	Rate varies by season: 190€ - 220€ Free Wifi
B&B HOTEL Málaga Centro Av. Fátima, 7, 8 y 9, 29009 Málaga https://maps.app.goo.gl/twisS2WYHnWncVxk9	Rate varies by season: 55€ - 70€
Ibis Malaga Centro Ciudad 2 estrellas Cerrojo 1 Num Reg T H Ma 01981, 29007 Málaga https://maps.app.goo.gl/6drzB7riJs1a7mmK8	Rate varies by season: 65€ - 95€

# **Annex 2: Map PDS/ EPE venues**

