



## **APDPE CONGRESS “NEW PRIVATE SECURITY LAW: LIGHTS AND SHADOWS”**

**TOLEDO, FROM 27 TO 29 MARCH**

### **CONGRESS SITES IN TOLEDO**

The walls surrounding the historic center of Toledo are from Roman times origin, but it was in the seventh century when, under kingdom Wamba, they were rebuilt and provided the city with its almost impregnable character. Defensive walls that protected the city until Alfonso VI came in 1085, and reconquered Toledo.

The “Puerta de Bisagra”, whose etymology goes back to Arabic, with a meaning which would be "new door of Sagra" dates from the sixteenth century, and is the monument that welcomes and announces something of the splendor located in Toledo.

The network of streets, slopes and condensation of so many sights, in a relatively small place like the historic center of Toledo space, shows the tremendous magnitude of the beauty of this city of three cultures.

Therefore, we have valued the possibility of developing our Congress in the walled city of Toledo, which promotes the knowledge of the city, the opportunity to walk along the streets and not rely on any transport. On the contrary, hotels and other accommodations that are in that environment are small establishments with limited capacity, hence it is not possible to have a single hosting settlement. The APDPE has blocked some rooms, not many, in several places, but does not cause major disruptions to stay in other hotels in the city, because during the Congress we will develop the activities in different areas of the city, which we will detail and, may be traversed walking the city within minutes.

\* It is advisable to make reservations in hotels at your earliest convenience, since the large amount of events arising around El Greco 2014 hampers, doubtless, those reserves

Since the vehicle is not necessary inside the old town and most hotels do not have parking, you can leave your car in a free public parking outside the walled city (Avenida Castilla La Mancha, 2), here are all the details

<http://www.parkopedia.es/aparcamiento/garaje/safont/45003/toledo/>

## **1.- PALACE OF CONGRESS “EL GRECO” DE TOLEDO**

Paseo del Miradero s/n - Toledo

The Toledo Palace of Congress is located in the historical center of the city, on top of a steep rock that surrounds and insulates almost entirely the Tajo River. It is located close to Zocodover Square, the heart of the town during most of its history

The Congress will take place during March, Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>, full day, and Friday 28<sup>th</sup> noon.



## **2.- HOTELS**

### **HOTEL FONTECRUZ PALACIO EUGENIA DE MONTIJO\*\*\*\*\***

Pza. Juego de Pelota, 7 – Toledo

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<http://www.fontecruzhoteles.com>

Located in the historic center of the town, just 200 meters from the cathedral. This Renaissance building was the palace of Empress Eugenia de Montijo, wife of Napoleon III, and hosts a Boutique Hotel with 40 rooms. Such Palace, rebuilt under the watchful and careful tasks of specialized architects, archaeologists and restorers, allows admire Roman sewers, XIV century Arab walls, XVI century walls, XIV and XVI century coffered ceilings, in which the main Toledana Families shields appear



The welcome cocktail will take place on Wednesday, 26th of March and the General Ordinary Assembly will be on Saturday, 29th of March.

Double room, single use, buffet breakfast and vat included:	95,00 €
Double room, buffet breakfast and vat included	105,00 €
*Special prices for SPA users	

If you are interested in this option, it is necessary to e-mail [info@apdpe.es](mailto:info@apdpe.es) to put you through to the hotel.

### **HACIENDA DEL CARDENAL**

Paseo de Recaredo, 24 - Toledo

<http://www.hostaldelcardenal.com>



A former cardinal residence, with 3000 m2 of garden with ancient trees, surrounded by the towers and the Arab wall canvases. The restaurant has received the Bronze Plaque from the Ministry of Tourism, and the Tourism Award of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Toledo. Hostal del Cardenal also houses a three stars hotel, full of harmony and charm, located in the pavilion enclosure, built in the XVIII century by order of Cardinal Lorenzan. The hotel is located in the upper garden. The hallway topped with the Lorenzana family crest, houses the reception and leads to a roofed hall bath to use in the second half of the s. XVIII

Working lunch will take place in the Restaurant on Thursday, 27th of March.

The hotel offers double rooms for single use, breakfast and VAT included, for 66,00 €. To confirm the reservations, contact 925 22 49 00 Ext. 1 and inform about the APDPE blocking.

### **3.- RESTAURANTE ALFILERITOS 24**

C/ Alfileritos, 24 – Toledo

Located in the heart of historic Toledo, as a result of the comprehensive rehabilitation of a Toledo typical palatial home. The building has structures dating from s. XIV to the s. XVI, depending on the room. The use of steel and glass as building elements have given the building a theater sense, unique of buildings in Toledo



Dinner will take place here on Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> of May.

### **4.- EL CIGARRAL DE LAS MERCEDES – Gala Dinner**

Carretera de Piedrabuena, 72 - Toledo



Cigarral (holiday house overlooking Toledo) surrounded by large gardens, in an exceptional natural setting, enjoy the best views of the city. The origin of the word "cigarral" derives from the presence of cicadas in these hillsides during the hot summers of Toledo.

Toledo high society occupied the city setting with pastures and pleasure palaces in the valley of the Tajo river while the educated elites (clergy, certain noble citizens) opted for the current areas of

cigarrales to build dedicated spaces, first for leisure, and later (XVIII century), for the cultivation of fruit and vegetable gardens. It was in the twentieth century when, again, the Cigarrales experienced another change, turning into places for entertainment or private residences

The old farm house has been designed to create a new space, a true reflection of the style and character of The Cigarral de las Mercedes, putting together elegance and comfort.

Gala dinner will take place here on Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> of March.

### **5.- RESTAURANT KUMERA**

C/ Alfonso X, El Sabio, 2 – Toledo

Restaurant Kumera was created in 2005 aiming to offer a careful selection of raw material and the elegance of its service. They look after both quality and quantity in their dishes, achieving a perfect mixture between flavors, textures and presentation. The careful selection and the complete variety of their menu a la carte, shows their continuous commitment with their culinary identity.



The optional meal will take place here on Saturday, 29th of March.

### **6.- THREE CULTURES TOLEDO**



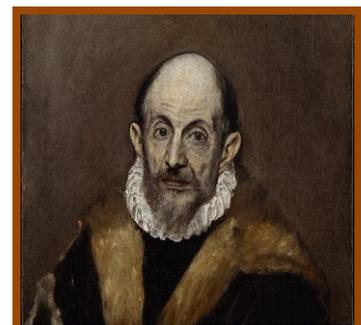
Once the Congress is over on Thursday 27th of March, we'll go for a walk through the districts and the most representative outer monuments of the three religions which lived together in Toledo during the medieval centuries: Jewish, Christian and Muslim.

We'll get into its dark labyrinth streets, so characteristic in the city! Introducing inherited elements of the three cultures that lived together in Toledo, stopping in the most suitable places to stare at the beauty of some streets, buildings, curious elements or listen to stories or anecdotes.

### **7.- EL GRIEGO DE TOLEDO**

Santa Cruz Museum – C/ Miguel de Cervantes, 3 – Toledo

Even though it may look strange, an exhibition of El Greco has never been held in Toledo. In 1902 the first exhibition of the artist was held at the Prado Museum, and since then the painting figure the artist has become famous all around the world. But never in Toledo, his hometown. Santa Cruz Museum will host alongside Espacios Greco, the biggest exhibition ever of the painter.



The visit to this exhibition will be made on Friday, 28th of March, at 04:00 pm.



The total cost for the Congress for APDPE's members will be 195,00 € including:

- ✓ Talks and round table attendance
- ✓ Welcome Cocktail, 26/03/14
- ✓ Lunch, 27/03/14
- ✓ Cocktail dinner, 27/03/14
- ✓ Lunch, 28/03/14
- ✓ Gala dinner and open bar, 28/03/14
- ✓ Coffee breaks
- ✓ Sightseeing

The full programm and the registration sheet will be available soon.