ENQA GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2019  
Yerevan, 17–18 October 2019

Venue:
Armenia Marriott Hotel
Tigran Mets Grand Ballroom
1 Amiryan Street
0010 Yerevan
Armenia

Practical Information

The 2019 General Assembly will take place in the Tigran Mets (Tigran the Great) Grand Ballroom of the Armenia Marriott Hotel located at 1 Amiryan Street, 0010 Yerevan, Armenia

The event map is available at:
https://drive.google.com/open?id=1LxkoMCoGrcYaU4kkbngAibbNFNPHbSHPl&usp=sharing

Armenia Marriott Hotel (Event venue)
Arrival and transport
Participants are kindly requested to make their own international and local travel arrangements. Participants may find it helpful to coordinate their travel to Yerevan by using www.rome2rio.com.

Getting to Yerevan
Zvartnots International Airport is situated about 12 km from the event venue. Participants may take a taxi from the airport to the event venue or arrange an airport pick up by the hotel during their stay. See the hotel websites for information on their pricing for hotel shuttle services.

Taxi Services
If travelling by taxi, all participants are encouraged to take official taxis from the airport:

Yandex Taxi contact information:
E-mail: support@taxi.yandex.com

Taxi Service Contact information:
Tel.: +374 98 82 82 00,
    +374 10 59 59 00,
    +374 60 43 00 00

GG taxi:
Participants in are invited to download the GG taxi app before arriving to Yerevan. Guests can then connect their credit card to the application and order a taxi from the airport. This is a rideshare service similar to Uber and is safe, clean and reliable. Their website can be found here: https://www.ggtaxi.com/signin

E-mail the Zvartnots Airport at airportservice16@gmail.com for more information about the taxi service. Rates of the taxis vary depending on your destination, but a ride to the Armenia Marriott Hotel (the event venue) is estimated to be about 3,000 AMD (about 6 EUR) one way. Please note that not all taxis accept card payments, but the Zvartnots International Airport is equipped with currency exchange and banking services.

Uber is also available in Armenia.

Moving around the city
Taxis can be used as mentionned above. Uber is also available in Yerevan.

Public transport:
The main way around Yerevan is by marshrutka (a system of yellow shuttle busses). There are hundreds of routes, shown by a number in the van’s front window. They stop at bus stops but you can flag one down anywhere on the street. Trips cost 100 AMD; pay the driver as you leave. Ask to stop by saying ‘kangnek’.

There are also buses and electric trolleybuses following numbered routes. Tickets cost 100 AMD.
The Yerevan metro runs north–south through the city, stopping at these underground stations: Barekamutyan, Marshall Baghramyan, Yeritasardakan, Republic Square (Hanrapetutyun Hraparak), Zoravar Andranik near Surp Grigor Lusavorich Cathedral/Rossiya Mall and Sasuntsi Davit at the Yerevan train station. The line continues west and south on ground level to stations in the industrial suburbs. Trains run every five to 10 minutes between 6.30am and 11pm and one-way tickets cost 100 AMD. More information can be found here: https://www.yerevan.am/en/metro/

A useful website to plan your public transportation trip can be found here: https://t-armenia.com/en?fbclid=IwAR3uVOuaRsLmUFxvGfRFOkVxPAkB_Tx69qfWIZDNfsgDqFMcAwGl6bC_sA

**Accommodation**

The following hotels have been recommended by ANQA, the host agency. Participants are requested to book by the mentioned deadlines to secure the negotiated rates.

1. **Armenia Marriott Hotel Yerevan** (Event venue)
   Address: 1 Amiryan Street, 0010 Yerevan, Armenia
   Tel: +374 10 599000
   Rooms can be booked by using this link: https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1551970574948&key=GRP&app=resvlink
   Room rates:
   - Standard Single – 54.900 AMD (roughly 103 EUR)/night
   - Double room – 61.000 AMD (roughly 113 EUR)/night
   Deadline to book: **11 August 2019**

   For any questions you may have, please contact Ani Barseghyan, the Sales Executive of the Marriott Hotel, at +374 10 59 92 42, +374 99 00 40 78, or by email at ani.barseghyan@marriott.com

2. **Ibis Yerevan Center Hotel**
   Address: Northern Avenue 5/1, 0001 Yerevan, Armenia
   Tel: +374 10 595959
   Reservations can be made by emailing H7309-SL2@accor.com and mention the reservation code "ENQA General Assembly." The deadline for the room discount is 5 September 2019.
   Room rates:
   - Single room – 37.000 AMD (roughly 70 EUR)/night
   - Double room – 41.000 AMD (roughly 77 EUR)/night
   - Premium single room – 41.000 AMD (roughly 77 EUR)/night
   - Premium double room – 45.000 AMD (roughly 85 EUR)/night
   Deadline to book: **5 September 2019**

**Cancellation of reservation**

The guests may cancel the reservation free of charge before July 29, 2019. Any Cancellation between the periods 30 July-05 August 2019 will be result penalty of 50% for the entire length of stay. Any Cancellation after 05th of August 2019 will be charged 100% for the entire length of stay.

**Payment Policy**

Full stay amount will be preauthorized on the guest’s credit card 30 July, 2019. Full stay amount will be charged upon arrival.
3. **Best Western Plus Congress Hotel**  
Address: Italy 1 str., 0010 Yerevan, Armenia  
Tel: +374 10 591199  
Reservations can be made by email corporate1@congresshotelyerevan.com to the attention of Sona Danielyan, Corporate and MICE Sales Coordinator, or Shoghik Harutyunyan, Sales Manager. Mention the rate code "ENQA General Assembly 2019."  
Room rates:  
- Single rooms – 52.000 AMD (roughly 98 EUR)/night  
- Double rooms – 62.000 AMD (roughly 116 EUR)/night  
Deadline to book: **31 August 2019**

**On-site registration**  
On-site registration will take place in from of the “Tigran the Great” Grand Ballroom of the Armenia Marriott Hotel starting from 9.00 on 17 October. Participants are kindly requested to arrive no later than 9.20 for registration.

**Cloakroom**  
Participants may keep their coats and luggage in the cloakroom, located on the ground floor.

**Internet**  
Free Wi-Fi is available at the venue and is not password protected.

**Pre-event and reception by ANQA**  
Participants arriving early to Yerevan are welcome to attend a facultative pre-event entitled “Discover Armenian culture with ANQA”. The pre-event will take place on **Wednesday, 16 October from 15:30–21:00** with participants visiting various cultural sites, ending with an opportunity for participants to make and taste traditional Armenian barbeque.

The participants will have the opportunity to visit Geghard Monastery, Garni Temple and will participate in the barbeque making process in Noyan Garden Gallery. See below for details.

Participants of the pre-event organised by ANQA are invited to take the bus transportation provided in front of the Marriot Armenia hotel at **15:30 on 16 October**.

**Geghard Monastery**

Geghard Monastery is one of the greatest medieval architectural structures in Armenia. Geghard is completely hollowed out in a cave; it is also called a “cave monastery”. This monastery was founded in the 4th century CE at the location of the sacred spring that originates in the cave. The name of the monastery complex Geghard (spear) comes from the Langin’n spear, which pierced the body of Jesus Christ on the cross. Currently, this spear is kept in the museum of Etchmiadzin. The monastery complex Geghard is included in UNESCO World Heritage List.
Temple of Garni

The pagan temple of Garni was built in the second half of the 1st century by King Trdat III. This is the only pagan temple that has been preserved on the territory of Armenia. After the adoption of Christianity, it became the summer residence of Khosrovadukht, sister of King Trdat III. It was destroyed in 1679 by an earthquake. Parts, fragments of graceful columns, and wall stones were spread around the temple. It is thought that the temple was dedicated to Mithra, the God of the Sun. The temple of Garni is included in UNESCO World Heritage List.

The Noyan Garden Gallery

The Noyan Garden Gallery presents Armenia and its entire palette. For thousands of years, Armenia has been famous for its cultural achievements, cuisine and winemaking. There is a hall where the rarest samples of Armenian artefacts, pottery and carpet weaving are kept. Here you can taste Armenian wines, dried fruits and other Armenian dishes prepared from by sun-warming and ripe fruits that are made by preserving the traditions of Armenian traditional cuisine. The Noyan Garden Gallery will introduce you to Armenia and make you a part of it.

Dinner

The dinner, provided by ANQA, will take place on Thursday, 17 October 2019 at 19:30. Pick-up by bus will take place in front of the Armenia Marriott hotel at 18:30, as the restaurant is about a 40-minute drive out of the city. The dinner will take place in Agape restaurant, a one-of-a-kind location with authentic Armenian cuisine that has been hosting guests since the 17th century. It is located near The Mother See of Holy Etchmiadzin (also called the “Armenian Vatican”): an integral part of the Armenian identity and spiritual life and one of the most significant and breathtaking pieces of Armenian architecture. The building is protected by UNESCO and is one of the oldest restaurants in the region. The programme in Etchmiadzin will begin with a visit to the Treasury Museum near the restaurant before the meal begins.

It is expected that all participants will be back to the Marriott hotel by 23:00, but departure buses will be flexible and nearby for groups that are prepared to leave the dinner earlier.
Social programme

For those staying in Armenia after ENQA’s General Assembly, ANQA has also arranged an optional social programme. On Friday, 18 October 2019 from 14:30-17:00 a visit to the Matenadaran of Armenia will be organized. Matenadaran translates to “holder of manuscripts” or “manuscript collector” and the Mesrop Mashtots Institute of Ancient Manuscripts is an incredibly rare and exclusive treasure due to its collection of manuscripts. It holds the history of Armenian and foreign nations’ written cultures. The Matenadaran has consolidated about 23,000 manuscripts, including almost all areas of ancient and medieval Armenian culture and sciences. It also holds manuscripts in Arabic, Persian, Greek, Ethiopian, Syrian, Latin, Tamil, and other languages.

The Matenadaran is situated in the city center (53 Mashtots Avenue, Yerevan) not far from the Armenia Marriott Hotel. There will be a walking tour from the hotel to the Matenadaran starting at
14:30. During the walking tour, the participants will have the opportunity to explore a few of Armenia’s historical places.

**Photography**
Please note that photos will be taken during the event and may be used for publications and websites, both of organisers and of hosts. Should you be opposed to your picture being used as described, please contact the photographer or the organisers on-site.

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

**Currency**
The currency in Armenia is the dram (AMD). The approximate EUR/AMD exchange rate as of 2019 is: 1 euro = 536 dram. However, as the exchange rates may vary, participants are encouraged to check them before arriving in Armenia. There are a currency exchange offices at the Zvartnots International Airport and the Armenia Marriott Hotel.

**Additional information**
Please find a website for visitors to Yerevan here: [https://www.yerevan.am/en/](https://www.yerevan.am/en/).

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