

III ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS PACIFIC ALLIANCE – CANDIDATES ASSOCIATED STATES

SANTIAGO - CHILE / MARCH 3-9, 2018



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VENUE AND DATE

Chile will host the III Round of Negotiations between The Pacific Alliance and The Candidates Associated States, which will take place in the city of Santiago, Chile, between March 3rd and March 9th, 2018.

The meeting will be held at the ICON Hotel (Alonso de Cordova 6050, Las Condes, Santiago), which is placed in Las Condes’s Heart District and two blocks from “Manquehue” Subway Station.



A short walk from ICON HOTEL, you will find Parque Arauco, one of the biggest Shopping Mall in Santiago, with several restaurants and a food court with fast food. Adjacent to this Shopping Mall, is Parque Araucano, a big park, with beautiful ornamented green areas, a great place to pull up a patch of grass and relax or at the other extreme do exercises or sports.



REGISTRATION

All coordinators must provide a list of delegates and their associated agencies by email at cramirez@direcon.gob.cl (format list is attached to this guide), and send it before Tuesday February 20th. A registration table will be set up in the -1 floor of the venue on Saturday 3rd from 8:30 am to 10:30 am, Sunday March 4th from 08:30 am to 10:30 am, and Monday March 5th from 7:30 am to 13:30 hrs in ICON Hotel. Upon arrival, coordinators will need to approach the registration desk. Coordinators will be provided with the lanyards for each of their delegates.

AIRPORT ARRIVAL

International Airport Arturo Merino Benitez is 45 – 60 minutes from the venue. There are direct flights from North America, Oceania, Asia, Europe and Latin America.

a) Airport Transportation¹

1. Taxi Oficial

Location Counters:

First Level, Central International Hall

Telephone: (56 - 2) 2601 9880 – (56 - 2) 2601 9880

www.taxioficial.cl



TUR TRANSFER

First Level Central International Hall

Telephones: (56 - 2) 2677 3600

(56 - 2) 2677 3600

www.turtransfer.cl



TRANSVIP

First Level Central International Hall

Telephone: (56 - 2) 2677 3000

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¹ It is recommended to use official airport taxis and vans.

TRANSPORT

Transport will be responsibility of their own delegations. It is recommended asking for taxis in the concierge of the Hotel. In Santiago, taxis and transportation services can also be hired to companies which offer services through “smartphone apps”:

Easytaxi: www.easytaxi.com/cl

Safertaxi: www.safertaxi.com/cl

Cabify: www.cabify.com

Uber: www.uber.com

HOTELS

The Icon Hotel has several types of rooms. If you do not wish to stay at the venue, Las Condes District has many hotels within walking distance (or a short taxi ride). Delegations are kindly request to liaise and book their accommodations themselves. Included below are some suggestions of hotels in the area.

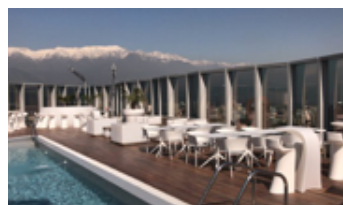
Hotel ICON (Venue)

Address: Av. Alonso de Córdova 6050, Las Condes.

Phone: (+562) 24882500

Email: bpalacios@iconchile.com /
reservas@iconchile.com

Web: <https://iconchile.com>



Hotel Plaza el Bosque Nueva las Condes

Address: Av. Manquehue Norte 656, Las Condes

Phone +562 2498 1900

Email: reservas@plazaelbosque.cl

Web: <http://www.plazaelbosque.cl/es/nueva-las-condes/>



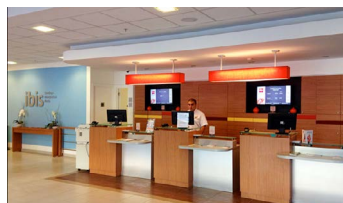
Hotel Ibis Manquehue Norte

Address: O Connell 165, Las Condes.

Phone: (+562) 26877800

Email: h7933-re@accor.com

Web: <http://www.ibis.com/es/hotel-7933-ibis-santiago-manquehue-norte/index.shtml>



Best Western Marina Las Condes

Address: Av. Alonso de Córdova 5727, Las Condes.

Phone: (+562) 25994000

Web: https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotels-in-santiago/best-western-premiermarina-las-condes/propertyCode.76068.html

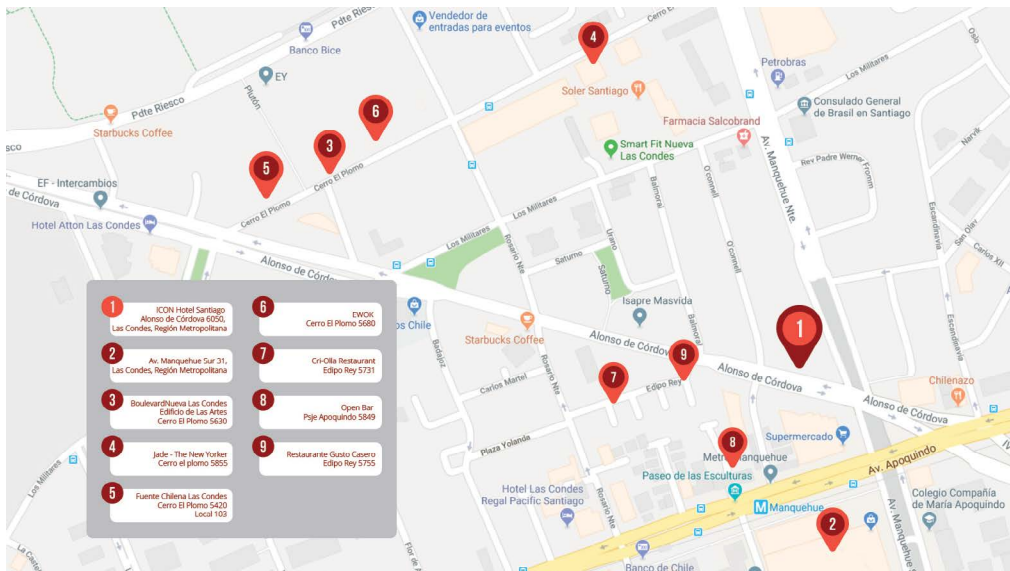


COFFEE SERVICE

Coffee service will be provided in the morning and afternoon, outside of the session rooms.

LUNCH

Bazaar Restaurant & Bar is located in the Icon Hotel. Also, adjacent to the hotel there are several restaurants, we suggest the following:



WEATHER AND DRESS CODE

Due to its geographic location, the seasons in Chile are exactly the opposite from Europe and North America. In Santiago, the climate can be defined as Mediterranean, with long and dry summers, and short mild winters. Summer - from December to March - is the hot and dry season, with widely fluctuating temperatures (at night, they can drop at 11°C, while during the day, they can range from 28°C to 34°C).

The weather in Santiago during beginning of march is hot and dry, with a high average temperature of 29° C, and a Low high of 11° C. Mornings and nights can be cold.



The dress code will be business casual.

An aerial photograph of Santiago, Chile, showing a dense urban landscape with numerous high-rise buildings. In the background, a range of large, rugged mountains is covered in snow. The entire image has a blue color overlay.

ABOUT SANTIAGO, CHILE

This country is located on the southwest end of South America. Its official name is Republic of Chile and its capital city is Santiago. It is surrounded by a beautiful natural environment, close to world-renowned ski resorts, big parks, natural reserves and the beaches of the central coastline. This is an active, dynamic, diverse and multicultural region, where we can also find the attractions that are characteristic of big cities, such as museums, cinemas, theaters along with other interesting places to visit, such as vineyards, handicraft shops and places to practice extreme sports.

Location: South America

Total surface area: 756,247 km².

Capital: Santiago

Government type: Presidential democracy

Population: 18,191,884 (source: INE)

Currency and Banks

The currency in Chile is the Peso, which is minted in 1, 5, 10, 100 and 500 peso coins and 1000, 2000, 5000, 10000 and 20000 peso bills. Currently, the exchange rate is approximately 605 pesos to a USD, while for the Euro, it is approximately 771 pesos to a Euro. There are exchange bureaus close to the base hotels as well as in the Mall Parque Arauco (it is very common to exchange money at these places).

1 US Dollar= 605 CLP

1 Euro= 771 CLP

Commerce

To withdraw money: the best way to get pesos in most cities of the country, is using your bank or credit card in the many automatic teller machines belonging to Redbanc (a maximum withdrawal amount of 200.000 pesos a day can be taken). The machines must display the Cirrus, Plus or Maestro symbols. Don't forget to memorize your password! Your bank will charge a fee for each transaction (find out which tariff applies before leaving your country), but it is generally low and a good exchange rate applies. The use of travelers' checks is not very common. If you bring cash, US dollars or Euros, you can exchange them at the money exchange (never on the street), which offer better rates than the banks. In Santiago, there are several money exchanges, those located at the airport have less convenient rates.

Credit Cards

You can use your credit cards in supermarkets, stores, restaurants, etc. Only some travelling agencies or big hotels will take US dollars or Euros directly.

Schedules

Banks: Monday to Friday from 9 am to 2 pm.

Money Exchange: Monday to Friday from 9 am to 2 pm. The one in Mall Parque Arauco is open until 8 pm.

Tips

At restaurants, the expected tip is 10%, and it is usually not included in the bill. It is customary to receive all the change back first and then leave the tip at the table. In many places, such as gas stations or parking lots, attendants expect to receive a 200 to 300 peso tip, while it is not usual to tip taxi drivers.

Voltage, electrical plug/outlet Information

Electrical sockets in Chile supply electricity between 220 – 240 volts and 50 hertz. Electric devices designed for 110 volts require plug adapters. Three-prong electrical adapters are not common, but two-prong converters can be found in stores selling electrical equipment.



Telephones

When dialing land lines in Santiago, first dial 2 and then the phone number. For mobile phones, dial 9 and then the phone number.

Country code: 56.

Emergency Numbers

Ambulance 131;

Fire department 132;

Carabineros de Chile (national police emergencies) 133

Clínica Las Condes: Lo Fontecilla st 441, Las Condes. Tel. (56 2) 2210 4000

Clínica Alemana: Av Vitacura 5951, Vitacura. Tel. (56 2) 2210 1111

Security

Although Santiago is considered a safe city, like any major urban city, some precautions are good to be taken. Delegates are asked to be aware of their valuable objects (IPads, notebooks, cameras, etc.).

ABOUT SANTIAGO, CHILE

i. [Palacio de la Moneda \(La Moneda Palace\)](#), is the presidential palace of the Republic of Chile since 1846, designed by Joaquín Toesca. Visitors can see the changing ceremony of Presidential guard´s every day at 10:00 a.m.



ii. Plaza de Armas.

A considerable part of the history of Chile has been written around the main square area of Santiago, the Plaza de Armas, and its surroundings. Lose yourself among its streets and find gorgeous old buildings, like the ones currently housing the Santiago City Hall, the Cathedral, the National History Museum and the Magistrate Courts, among others. Or simply sit and take in the hustle and bustle of city life unfolding before you in Paseo Ahumada. The downtown area of the capital offers varied gastronomic options from elegant restaurants that welcome the patrons coming in from the busy streets, to the famous ‘picadas’ (popular tiny restaurants) that people use to recharge energy and keep going.



iii. La Chascona, Bellavista.

La Chascona is a museum/house where Nobel Price winner Chilean poet, Pablo Neruda, lived in Santiago. The house was built in 1953 and is located in San Cristobal Hill, in the neighborhood of Bellavista.



iv. Patio Bellavista,

Known for its Bohemian atmosphere, Barrio Bellavista is an ideal place to take a break, with an unending list of restaurants, pubs, bars and discos open every night, because Bellavista does not sleep! During the day, visit the house-museum La Chascona, which belonged to the poet Pablo Neruda, and the many important theaters that can be found here, such as San Ginés, Centro Mori and the Bellavista theatre, among many others. Simply tell the taxi driver to take you to “Patio Bellavista”.



v. Barrio Lastarria,

The diverse gastronomic options, as well as theatres, cultural centers, cinemas, bookstores, art galleries, and design and antique stores this neighborhood has to offer, make it a veritable cultural oasis in the city. Walk around this gastronomic hub and enjoy the intensity of the nightlife on its streets and its many locales. Make sure you visit the Centro Cultural Gabriela Mistral (GAM), the Parque Forestal and the National Museum of Fine Arts. Also, allows the visitor to admire the ornate architecture and the city's panoramic views from the Santa Lucía Hill.



vi. Museo Nacional de Bellas Artes and Museo de Arte Contemporáneo,

is Santiago's fine arts museum. Is a neoclassical building inaugurated in 1910, at Chile's centennial Independence Day. Within the same building, but entering from the back, is the Museo de Arte Contemporáneo, the modern art museum of Santiago.



vii. San Cristóbal Hill,

Discover and climb the San Cristóbal hill, one of the green lungs of the capital and part of Parque Metropolitano. Suit up in your best sports gear and climb to the very top of the San Cristóbal either walking, jogging or biking. At the top, enjoy a delicious mote con huesillo (non-alcoholic Chilean drink made from a mixture of caramelized juice, husked wheat and dehydrated peaches.) Look at the city from the most spectacular viewing spot, and take full advantage of your camera. Visit the Zoo, located on the skirts of the hill, where you will find animal species from all over the world, as well as those endemic to Chile.



viii. Shopping Mall “Parque Arauco”,

one of Chile’s biggest malls. All kind of stores can be found, great for doing shopping. The mall also has a “Boulevard” with restorants such as Tony Roma’s, Friday’s, Asian Bistro, Mr. Jack, Pasta Basta, Santabrasa, Ruby Tuesday, Starbucks and many more. It also includes bowling alleys, ice skating and movie theaters. Great for having dinner.



ix. Shopping Mall “Alto Las Condes”,

shopping mall which includes all kinds of stores and restaurants. It is located in the east side of Las Condes District.



x. Shopping Mall “Costanera Center”,

biggest shopping mall in Santiago. It is located in Tobalaba with Apoquindo. Close to metro station Tobalaba.



xi. Italia Neighborhood (Barrio Italia).

Enjoy a delicious cup of coffee, admire the interesting works of art shown at an art gallery or buy a good book. This is Barrio Italia, a labyrinth of shops and store windows that invite you to roam its streets and commerce to find state of the art design objects or curious collectibles. Appreciate the antiques and dine at restaurants serving Chilean and International food. Listen to the live music, and enjoy the shops offering decorative items, lighting and clothes, as well as the bars and the sight of many, many bicycles.



xii. **Bicentenario Park,**

Parque Bicentenario is a green lung located next to the financial zone of the capital, playfully known as Sanhattan. Discover this modern and well-kept park, while enjoying a stroll around its grassy esplanades. Admire the swans and other bird species that call the park's two artificial lagoons home, and have fun in the areas that have been prepared for leisure and to be enjoyed with family and friends. Explore the park on your bike or jog on its pathways, and later set up your picnic for a whole afternoon of rest and relaxation.



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