



29 September – 1 October 2025

Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya

Barcelona, Spain

Logistical brief

Introduction

The Evidence for Policy in Disaster Risk Management Summer School 2025 is organised by the Civitas Soteria Consortium namely ICF and Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna and hosted by the Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, on behalf of the Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations of the European Commission (DG ECHO).

This document contains useful information regarding the logistical organisation of the Summer School in Barcelona, including travel, accommodation, and meals. Participants will also find additional information about the venue, the key contacts for the organising and support team.

Please read the entire document carefully.

EU Account and UCPKN page

All the information and support materials related to the Evidence for Policy in Disaster Risk Management Summer School 2025 are available on a platform hosted by the Union Civil Protection Knowledge Network (UCPKN).

A **private group** has been created for the participants [here](#). In the group, you will be able to see and chat with your co-participants. Class descriptions, updated material, video of the workshop, and other useful information will be uploaded there. Please click the **“Join group”** button to request access. If you do not have a profile on Knowledge Network yet, you will be prompted to create one through EU Login.

It is crucial that all participants register on the platform and **thoroughly review all the available information** to be well-prepared for the event. Your proactive engagement and preparation are key to making the most of this learning opportunity.

If you do not have an EU Account, you can check the [Guidance on creating and using an EU Account available on the website](#). Once logged in, you will find essential content such as the detailed agenda, Masterclass session plans, and logistical brief.

If you encounter any issues, please contact ECHO-CP-KNOWLEDGE-NETWORK-PLATFORM@ec.europa.eu for assistance. Some of the public information is also available here: [UCP Knowledge Network's page for the Evidence for Policy in Disaster Risk Management \(DRM\) Summer School 2025](#)

Host and lead organiser of the workshop

Civitas Soteria Consortium

The Civitas Soteria Consortium is responsible for the implementation of the Ad-hoc Training strand of the UCPM. It brings together organisations with extensive expertise in various fields, including civil protection, disaster medicine, humanitarian health, risk reduction, and specialised training.

The consortium led by ICF includes MDF, Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna, Up Learning, CI3R, and CRIMEDIM, with support from eight Civil Protection Agencies across Europe.

The "Evidence for Policy in DRM Summer School 2025" is jointly led by ICF, the Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya (UPC), and Professor Andrea de Guttery, combining their strengths to deliver a comprehensive training programme.

Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya



The **Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya** is one of Europe's leading institutions in the fields of engineering, architecture, science, and technology. Established in 1971, the UPC has grown into a dynamic and research-intensive university. With more than 31,000 students, it offers 67 bachelor's degrees, 96 master's programs, and 46 doctoral programs. The university is structured around 18 schools located across nine campuses in cities such as Barcelona, Terrassa, Castelldefels, and Manresa.

Venue and location

The Summer School will be held across several buildings located at the **Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya – Campus Diagonal Nord located at Jordi Girona, 1-3, Barcelona.**

The plenary sessions will take place in building C2, on the “**Auditorium José Antonio Torroja**”, located on the ground floor (**room number C2-001**). Before the first session on the 29 September, participants will need to collect their name badge and sign their attendance at the reception desk, located just outside the Auditorium.

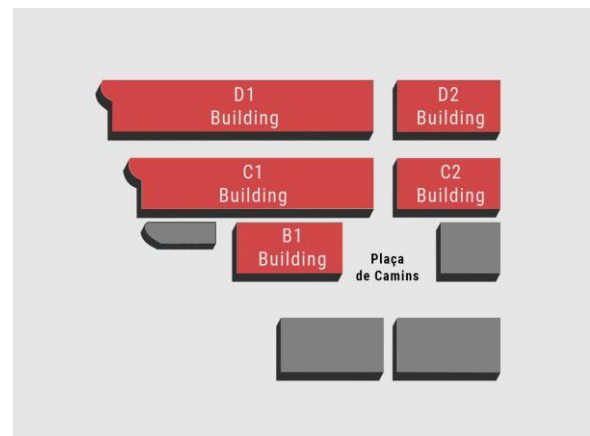
Dinner on 29 September will be held in the space between buildings C2 and D2.

Lunches on 30 September and 1 October will be served in the space [next to Aula Màster](#) (Sala Polivalent) in building A3, located at a [2-min walk](#) from the plenary room.



Summary of Locations and Rooms

- **Plenary Sessions:** building C2, ground floor - Auditorium “José Antonio Torroja”
- **Classes:**
 - Building B1, ground floor: Rooms 003, 005
 - Building C1, ground floor: Rooms 001a, 001b
 - Building C2, 2nd floor: Room 212
 - Building D1, 1st floor: Room 103
 - Building D2, 2nd and 3rd floor: Rooms 216, 305



Note: For additional information about the classes, please consult the Agenda in the Union Civil Protection Knowledge Network (UCPKN) private group (as linked above) and shared via email.

Wi-Fi Access

Participants can connect to the campus Wi-Fi network **DRM_SCHOOL_2025**, which is available in all buildings used for the Summer School. The access password is **Participant25!** For convenience, Wi-Fi details are also printed on participant badges.

Travel arrangements and public transport transfers

The workshop will start on **Monday 29 September 2025 at 16:00 CEST** and will finish on **Wednesday 1 October 2025 at 17:15 CEST**.

Before travelling, please ensure you have received your travel booking (sent via icfgroups@gdg.travel) and that you make the necessary check-ins before travelling. Please note **we do not cover, and are unable to reimburse, the cost of additional local travel within your own country, including local airport transfer, buses, trains, or taxis.**

Participants will get a [Hola Barcelona Travel card](#) to be able to use public transport during the Summer School. The travel card includes **unlimited journeys for the specified days** within the city of Barcelona, as well as the journey to and from the airport. The travel card includes for the following transport, within the city of Barcelona:

- ✓ Metro lines.
- ✓ TMB buses (red buses only).
- ✓ Tram (TRAM).
- ✓ Montjuïc funicular.
- ✓ Ferrocarril (FGC, zone 1 only).


These transports are managed by TMB (Transports Metropolitans de Barcelona). Beware that there are private companies that operate within Barcelona, which are not included as part of the Hola Barcelona Travel card.

How to retrieve the travel card using the voucher?

Your individual **voucher has been sent via email as a PDF attachment**, and contains a QR Code and a digit code.

The travel card needs to be retrieved at any metro station, including the metro stations Airport T1 and T2. To retrieve the card, locate any ticket vending machines (located inside metro stations), click the button 'voucher' and insert the **unique 13 digit voucher code** located on the PDF that has been sent along with the logistical communication to retrieve your Hola Barcelona card.

After collecting your travel card, take the **orange metro line L9S** from the Barcelona Airport (from Terminal 1 or Terminal 2) to the station **Zona Universitària**, which is the closest metro station to the venue and the hotels. This journey takes around 30 minutes.

	
Aeroport El Prat > Barcelona	
	Lenght 32 min. (Aeroport T1 – Zona Universitària)
	Where? Terminal T1 – floor P0 Terminal T2 – outside the terminal
	Frequency 7 min.
	Times Monday – Thursday: 5.00 am to midnight Friday and eves of public holidays: 5.00 am – 2.00 am Saturday: 5.00 am – runs all night Sunday: to midnight

More information about the L9S metro line can be found [here](#).

Accommodation and meals

Participants will be offered full-board accommodation (breakfast included) in a single room with a private bathroom, TV, telephone and internet, in high-quality hotels in Barcelona, located within walking distance to the University.

The cost of the accommodation (bed and breakfast), along with lunch, dinner and coffee breaks, is covered by the European Commission through the Civitas Soteria consortium

Kindly note that extra costs such as drinks (other than those provided during the coffee breaks, meals and during the planned social activities) will be covered by the participants.

Attendees have been allocated to one of the below hotels. [Confirmation regarding the hotel that participants will be staying at has been communicated via email, along with the check-in and check-out dates.](#)

Abba Garden

Address: [C. de Sta. Rosa, 33, 08950 Barcelona](#)

Website: www.abbahoteles.com/es/destinos/abba-garden-hotel

Telephone: +34 93 503 54 54

Email: garden@abbahoteles.com

Guest room availability: check-in available from **3:00 PM**, check out by **12:00 PM** on the day of departure.



How to get from Zona Universitària metro station to Abba Garden (via public transport): To reach Arenas Atiram, take the orange metro line **L9S** from the Barcelona Airport (from Terminal 1 or Terminal 2) until reaching the stop **Zona Universitària**. This is a 30-minute journey.

The hotel is a 20-minute walk from Zona Universitària metro station. Alternatively, participants can take the **'JM' bus line** from the bus stop 'Av de l'Exèrcit - Trias i Giró' to 'Prof Barraquer - Hospital Sant Joan De Déu', which is a 7-minute journey (note: this bus journey is not included in the local travel card). This route is detailed on Google Maps [here](#).

Walking distance to the plenary room: 16-minute walk. This route is detailed on Google Maps [here](#).

Dinner on 1st September: A dinner has been organised for participants staying at the hotel on the 1 September due to their flight schedules. The dinner will take place at the Abba Garden restaurant at 19:30pm. Further information will be sent to the attendees.

Arenas Atiram

Address: [Carrer del Capità Arenas, 20, Les Corts, 08034, Barcelona](#)

Website: www.atiramhotels.com/hoteles/barcelona/hotel-arenas-atiram-cerca-camp-nou/

Telephone: +34 932800303

Email: hotelarenas@atiramhotels.com

Guest room availability: check-in available from **2:00 PM**, check out by **12:00 PM** on the day of departure.



Transfers from Barcelona airport (via public transport): To reach Arenas Atiram, take the orange metro line **L9S** from the Barcelona Airport (from Terminal 1 or Terminal 2) until reaching the stop **Zona Universitària**. This is a 30-minute journey. The hotel is a 22-minute walk from Zona Universitària metro station. Alternatively, participants can take the **'L3' green metro line** from 'Zona Universitària' to 'Maria Cristina', which is a 3-minute journey. This route is detailed on Google Maps [here](#).

Walking distance to the plenary room: 22-minute walk. This route is detailed on Google Maps [here](#). Alternatively, participants can walk 5 minutes from the hotel to 'Maria Cristina' metro station, and take the **L3 green metro line** to 'Zona Universitària', and walk 12 minutes to reach the UCP – C2 Buidling.

Dinner on 1st September: A dinner has been organised for participants staying at the hotel restaurant on the 1 September due to their flight schedules. The dinner will take place at hotel restaurant at 19:30pm. Further information will be sent to the attendees.

Hotel NH Collection Barcelona Constanza

Address: [Carrer de Déu i Mata, 69-99, Les Corts, 08029 Barcelona](#)

Website: www.nh-collection.com/es/hotel/nh-collection-barcelona-constanza

Telephone: +34 93 2811500

Email: nhcollectionconstanza@nh-hotels.com

Guest room availability: check-in available from **3:00 PM**, check out by **12:00 PM** on the day of departure.



Transfers from Barcelona airport (via public transport): To reach NH Collection Barcelona Constanza, take the orange metro line **L9S** from the Barcelona Airport (from Terminal 1 or Terminal 2) until reaching the stop **Zona Universitària**. This is a 30 minute journey. The hotel is a 30 minute walk from Zona Universitària metro station. Alternatively, participants can take the **'L3' green metro line** from 'Zona Universitària' to 'Les Corts', which is a 3 minute journey. This route is detailed on Google Maps [here](#).

Walking distance to the plenary room: participants can walk 5 minutes from the hotel to 'L'Illa' tram station, and take the T1, T2 or T3 tram line to 'Zona Universitària', and walk 14 minutes to reach the UPC - C2 Building. **This route is detailed on Google Maps [here](#).**

Dinner on 1st September: A dinner has been organised for participants staying at the hotel on the 1 September due to their flight schedules. The dinner will take place at hotel [Arenas Atiram](#) restaurant at 19:30pm. Further information will be sent to the attendees.

Social programme and dinner – 30 September

The social programme of the Summer School will feature a guided visit to the iconic Antoni Gaudí's **Casa Mila (La Pedrera)** followed by a social dinner on 30 September.

The meeting point for the guided visits will be at [Passeig de Gràcia, 92](#), at 18:20pm.

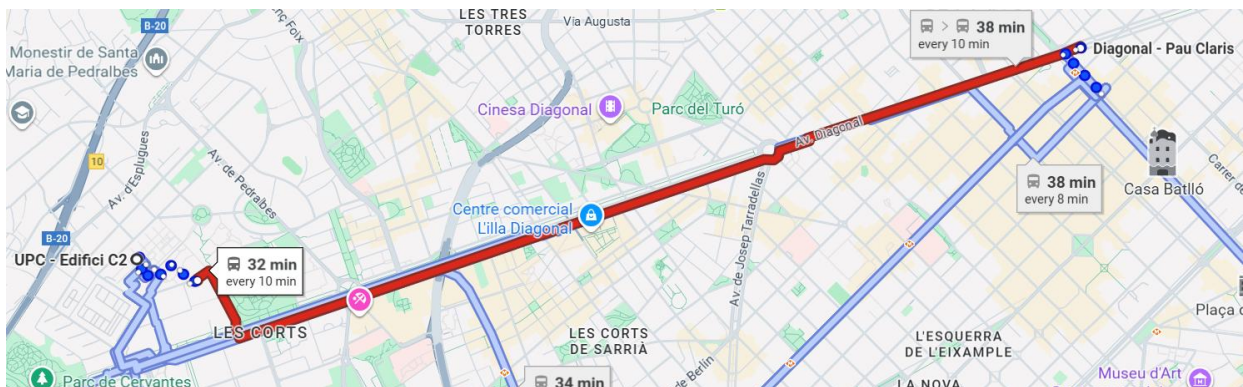
Upon arrival, participants will be allocated into 4 different groups, to conduct the visit, which will last 1 hour in total.

After the visit, starting at 19:30pm, participants will be directed to [El Cafè de la Pedrera](#), located on the ground floor of the building, to enjoy a sociable cocktail tapas-style dinner.

How to reach la Pedrera via public transport?

La Pedrera can be reached via public transport from the UPC Campus, taking around 35 minutes in total either bus or metro using the Hola Barcelona travel card.

Bus: take the **33 red bus** from 'Jordi Girona - John M Keynes' until 'Diagonal – Pau Claris' (22 minutes).



Metro: take the **L3 green metro line** from 'Zona Universitària' to 'Diagonal'.



Contacts

The names and contact details of key staff involved in the Summer School logistical organisation are as follows:

Logistical Coordinator (for hotels and travel):

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- Liza Tapia (+34 627 277 447).

Travel Agency

If you encounter any issues at the airport or while travelling, please call our **Travel Agency** at this 24/7 emergency number: **0044 1494 733420** or email at icfgroups@gdg.travel or ooh@gdg.travel (out of office hours), **with** ucpm-training@icf.com **in copy**