

Social Programme

A very interesting, experiential and entertaining social programme awaits you during the ORFEUS Workshop in Lisbon. The organisers want you to work hard, produce results, advance knowledge but also want you to savour the destination and to have ample opportunities to network with your colleagues:

Wednesday, 25th – Welcome Reception

The Welcome Reception will provide you with the opportunity to spend some time in the enjoyable company of your colleagues and new attendees. The event will take place at the Meteorological Institute (IM) from 6.00 p.m. to 7.30 p.m..

Thursday, 26th – Workshop Dinner

This is an opportunity to savour world famous traditional Portuguese cuisine and wines in a traditional Portuguese setting and entertainment.

The Dinner will be held at ***Páteo de Alfama*** one of the most well-known traditional venues in Lisbon and highly sought after for events of this nature. Here you will dine in a typical Portuguese páteo. Set in old Lisbon quarters at the foot of a Palace wall and a setting which survived the 1755 earthquake built against the city walls. Surrounded by rocks which have long stood the test of time and protected the city in days gone by you will taste the genuine Portuguese culture, from the food to the setting to the china and tablecloths used. Then you will be entertained by the unforgettable sounds of the Fado, the Portuguese guitar and Portuguese folklore which dates back to the very roots of the nation. You will leave Lisbon, informed and transformed. The Workshop Dinner will take place at the Restaurant *Páteo de Alfama* at 8.00 p.m..



Transfers available to and from the hotels.

- ❖ Cost per person: 35,00€, including VAT



Saturday, 28th – Workshop Tours

The organizers have put together a very interesting optional programme for Saturday.

You may choose to do the **HALF day** or **FULL day** programme.

Half Day Lisboa City Tour



Departure from the hotel in direction to the Terreiro do Paço (Praça do Comércio), considered to be one of the most beautiful squares of Lisbon and the Archaeological Nucleus of Rua dos Correiros (NARC) where you can see the base of the «gaiola» (birdcage) structure invented by the 18th century engineers to resist earthquakes such as the one that destroyed the city in 1755. The group will then continue on to Belém, another earthquake-related area of the city and which today's one of the most iconic historical sites of Lisbon.

A visit to the historical centre of the city will then be followed by **LUNCH** in Belém.

After lunch the tour continues to the outskirts of Lisbon and the breathtaking resort of Kings for those who choose to take part in the **FULL DAY** tour.

AFTERNOON PART OF THE TOUR

After lunch you will have free time to enjoy one of the most beautiful villages of Portugal. Sintra is famous for its royal palace, its craft shops and the most famous pastry shop "The Piriquita" where you can taste one of the traditional pastries (queijada or travesseiro) and have a drink if you feel up to it.



Depart towards Cabo da Roca the westernmost point of Europe and continue along the coast passing the famous Guincho beach towards Cascais where you will be able to see "Boca do Inferno" (Hell's Mouth) and the magnificent Bay of Cascais. Return to Lisbon via Estoril which is the favourite resort of Kings and nobles since the 19th century. During the 20th century this area was the favourite spot for exiled Royal families fleeing from World War II. Here too met the spies of Europe and its elite intellectuals and politicians. The famous Casino and the Estoril Palace Hotel today represent the best of luxury and elegance. Even Fleming was inspired here for this was where James Bond was born and the inspirational setting for the first book *Casino Royal*. Return to the hotel. The Tour will begin from 9.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m..

- ❖ **Minimum number of persons:** 20
- ❖ **Lunch:** aprox. 25€
- ❖ **Afternoon part of the Tour:** 50€

You can register for the tour on-site.