



8th International FLINS Conference On Computational Intelligence in Decision and Control

Madrid, 21 - 24 September 2.008

Dear FLINS 2008 attendant,

We are pleased to welcome you to Madrid. As a register, you will receive the following **documentation**:

- **Tourist information package** including a Map of Madrid
- **Madrid Tourist Travel Three-Days Pass** (this transport pass is valid to move within the city centre either by Metro or Bus, three days since it is activated by its first use: note that in case it is activated on Sunday, it will not be valid on Wednesday)
- **Tickets** for Meals and Gala Dinner, the FLINS 2008 proceedings book, the FLINS 2008 memory stick containing all papers in proceedings and the FLINS 2008 conference bag (please show tickets to FLINS organization when required).
- **Receipts of payment** (FLINS fee and accommodation)
- **Application form for invoice** (please fill in your data and present it at FLINS 2008 Technical Secretariat as soon as possible in case you require invoice)
- **Accreditation** (please, make sure it is visible at all FLINS Activities)

FLINS 2008 **Technical Secretariat** will be placed at the Conference site, the ["Facultad de Matemáticas"](#) building, Complutense University, **room S117** at level "-1" (enter downstairs in the "Facultad de Ciencias Matemáticas" building and turn left). You will find the ["Facultad de Matemáticas"](#) building at coordinates A-07 in the Map of Madrid included in your documentation. Please do not hesitate to contact **Patricia González (Viajes El Corte Inglés)** at the FLINS Registration Desk if you need any help concerning your visit to Madrid, from **08:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**, Monday through Wednesday. Other FLINS 2008 team members will be available at the Registration Desk for your convenience, every time during the conference.

Please let me remind you some useful tips for FLINS 2008:

- **General recommendations:** Madrid is a city full of live 24 hours and quite safe, but of course be aware of **pickpockets**, ready to look for wallets, purses and cameras of those that can not avoid to show they are tourists. If you come with your **mobile phone**, note that you should dial first **"00"** for an international call and then **"34"** for Spain. Autumn usually brings the best **weather** to Madrid; **last forecast for September 21-24 suggests** temperatures between 15 and 23 Celsius degrees but **RAINY from Sunday to Wednesday**.

- **FLINS optional Tours and Welcome Reception:** departures to each optional guided visit (either to [Toledo](#) at 14:00 to [Madrid](#) at 17:30) will be from the exit of [Metro "Ciudad Universitaria" station](#) (coordinates A-08 of the Map of Madrid included in your documentation). Both tours will finish at 20:30 with the **FLINS 2008 welcome reception offered by SCK-CEN**, back in Madrid to [Bokado, the restaurant of the "Museo del Traje"](#) at [Avenida de Juan de Herrera, 2. Madrid, 28040](#) (coordinates A-09 in the Map of Madrid included in your documentation). Welcome Reception will finish at 22:30.

- **Conference venue:** a complete **map with all FLINS 2008 sites** is available on the conference web, allowing you to zoom and restrict sites of your specific interest. A courtesy map has been included in your

documents folder. The conferente site is at the "Facultad de Matemáticas" building (coordinates A-07 in the Map of Madrid included in your documentation).

- **Room sessions:** All session rooms are at that same level "-1" as the FLINS Technical Secretariat. The Poster exhibition and coffee breaks will be allocated downstairs, level "-2".

- **Plenary sessions:** all plenary sessions will be in room S118. Please note that Prof. **Zadeh's keynote talk** has been scheduled on Monday at 18:00.

- **Oral presentations:** there are three parallel sessions (rooms S108, S109 and S116, all in the same level "-1"), Please upload and check your presentation files 15 minutes prior to your session. Please identify yourself to the chairperson with your name as actual speaker, and the chairperson will give you your presentation certificate. Help the chairpersons to keep tight the FLINS 2008 schedule (**15 minutes talk plus 2 minutes discussion for each speaker**).

- **Poster presentations:** a slot has been specifically allocated for your poster in the exhibition room, **downstairs** (same place as coffee breaks). Please fix your poster 15 minutes prior to your session. The chairperson and some other members of the FLINS local organization team will be there ready to help you and give you your presentation certificate.

- **Meals:** lunches will be served at the "**Facultad de Ciencias Físicas**", located in front of the "**Facultad de Matemáticas**" building, just at the other side of "Plaza de las Ciencias". Get into the "Facultad de Ciencias Físicas" building, go downstairs one floor and turn left. Please move to lunch at 13:45, as scheduled. Regular menu has been elaborated trying to avoid standard food restrictions, but an alternative vegetarian menu will be served in some few tables.

- **Coffee breaks:** there will be one coffee break from 11:45 to 12:15. A second coffee break will be served just after lunch at 15:15, together with the poster exhibition on Monday and Tuesday.

- **Gala dinner:** please note that Tuesday sessions will end at 18:00 and you do not have much time to go to your hotel and be at the **Florida Park Restaurant at 20:00**, for the FLINS cocktail and the FLINS awards (Florida Park Restaurant is at "Parque del Retiro", Menéndez Pelayo entrance, in front of Ibiza street and "**Ibiza**" **Metro exit, line 9**). In the Map of Madrid included in your documentation you will find the Florida Park Restaurant in coordinates H-12. Flamenco show will finish at 23:30, and then you will be free to stay there for dancing (however, after dinner beverages are not included in the fee). Taxi drivers know the place and there should be no problem if you need a cab. Just in case, here you have a couple of taxi services: Radio-taxi (**0034-914473232**), Tele-taxi (**0034-913712131**).

- **WIFI access:** please connect your wireless computer at the Conference site and choose the "**UCM-CONGRESO**" network. Username is "**flins08**" and password is also "**flins08**", then press login. More information is provided in an attached sheet.

- **Medical assistance:** remind that FLINS 2008 has subscribed at your name an insurance policy that covers luggage and primary medical assistance during the conference (Dial **0034-913441155** collect). More information is provided in an attached sheet. Ask in FLINS 2008 registration desk for nearby Pharmacies in case you need medication. Remember also that the European emergency number is **112**.

The FLINS 2008 team wish you a pleasant stay in Madrid.



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