

Spanish Conference Series, 2009

Mitigating Endemic Democratic Problems, MEDP.

2000 places for delegates are available; the deadline for abstract submission is October 1, 2009, with the deadline for article submission November 1, 2009. If you think you have a way to improve any aspect of Spain, this conference is for you. Your paper -directed to a section, perhaps a Spanish ministry of government or other - (if accepted) will have its main points published in a book chapter. The goal of the conference is to provide the Spanish government and civil society with **practical (meaning realistic, immediately feasible) prescriptions** for their improvement. Lists of all sections are provided at the end of this document. After the conference is finished, each section's body of work will be distributed to the appropriate government ministry, public libraries, major media bodies, larger NGOs of Spain, and larger university bodies. All sections will then be published into a volume(s) by a local university press and be available for purchase worldwide. This dispersion of practical and realizable information may improve Spain.

December 1-4, 2009, will host MEDP's Spanish Conference Series to improve Spanish government and society. All Spanish government ministries will go under scrutiny (a list of them is available at the bottom of the page), as well as seven endemic problems with democracy which MEDP has identified, along with two auxiliary committees (chaired by technical school professors and exceptional post-graduate engineering students to make technical recommendations) and a specialist committee (chaired by specialists in Spanish government, society, and/or economy, to make in-depth specialist recommendations).

All university students, academic staff, professionals, or members of the general public with either (a) relevant work experience, (b) relevant university degrees, or (c) an excellent paper are welcome to submit abstracts or articles for our conferences. University, technical school, and high school students, as well as general population are eligible to participate as audience bodies.

University professors, doctorate holders, or senior professionals (at least 10 years of experience) vested in Spanish democracy, who specialize in Spanish government, society, and/or economy are asked to present abstracts for the **specialist committee**.

The benefits of participating in this conference series are:

- 1) Sparking discussion and awareness of practical improvements may increase the Spanish human condition.
- 2) You and your institution gain a conference proceedings publication, first class book chapter publication, and possibly a peer-reviewed journal article publication in MEDP's annual journal, *The International Abridgment of Democratic Improvement*.
- 3) Valuable discussion, networking, and the strengthening of civil society.

If you are aware of any persons (students, colleagues, friends, etc.) which may be interested in this interdisciplinary conference series, please forward this email. Below are the sections for the Spanish Conference Series currently accepting abstracts and/or papers.

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Spanish Ministries and Other Sections

[Ministerio de Agricultura, Pesca y Alimentación \(MAPA\)](#) [Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food]

- Secretaría General de Agricultura y Alimentación [General Secretariat of Agriculture and Food]
 - [Instituto Nacional de Investigación y Tecnología Agraria y Alimentaria \(INIA\)](#) [National Institute of Agricultural and Nutritional Research and Technology]
- Secretaría General de Pesca Marítima [General Secretariat of Maritime Fisheries]
 - [Instituto Español de Oceanografía](#) [Spanish Institute of Oceanography]
 - [Fondo de Regulación y Organización de Productos de la Pesca y los Cultivos Marinos \(FROM\)](#)

Ministerio de Defensa (MD) [Ministry of Defence]

- [Ejército de Tierra](#) [Spanish Army]
- [Armada Española](#) [Spanish Navy]

[Ministerio de Fomento](#) [Ministry of Development]

- [Instituto Geográfico Nacional \(IGN\)](#) [National Geographical Institute]
- [Centro de Estudios y Experimentación de Obras Públicas \(CEDEX\)](#)
- [Aeropuertos Españoles y Navegación Aérea \(AENA\)](#)

[Ministerio de Economía](#) [Ministry of Economy]

- [Secretaría de Estado de Comercio y Turismo](#) [State Secretariat of Commerce and Tourism]
 - [Dirección General de Política Comercial](#) [General Directorate of Commercial Politics]
 - [Instituto Español de Comercio Exterior \(ICEX\)](#) [Spanish Institute of External Commerce]
 - [Instituto de Turismo \(Tourespaña\)](#) [Institute of Tourism]
 - [Instituto de Estudios Turísticos \(IET\)](#) [Institute of Touristic Studies]
- [Instituto Nacional de Estadística \(INE\)](#) [National Institute of Statistics]
- [Instituto de Crédito Oficial \(ICO\)](#)
- [Instituto de Contabilidad y Auditoría de Cuentas \(ICAC\)](#)
- [Comisión Nacional de Energía \(CNE\)](#) [National Energy Commission]
- [Comisión del Mercado de las Telecomunicaciones \(CMT\)](#) [Commission for the Telecommunications Market]
- [Comisión Nacional del Mercado de Valores \(CNMV\)](#) [National Commission for the Securities Market]
- [Tribunal de Defensa de la Competencia](#)

[Ministerio de Educación, Cultura y Deporte \(MECD\)](#) [Ministry of Education, Culture and Sport]

- [Secretaría de Estado de Cultura \(SEC\)](#) [State Secretariat of Culture]
 - [Instituto Nacional de las Artes Escénicas y de la Música \(INAEM\)](#) [National Institute of Performing Arts and Music]

- Secretaría de Estado de Educación y Universidades (SEEU) [State Secretariat of Education and Universities]
 - [Dirección General de Universidades](#) [General Directorate of Universities]
 - [Instituto Nacional de Calidad y Evaluación \(INCE\)](#) [National Institute of Quality and Evaluation]
 - [Consejo Escolar del Estado](#) [State School Council]
 - [Consejo de Universidades](#) [Council of Universities]
- [Consejo Superior de Deportes \(CSD\)](#) [Superior Council of Sports]
 - [Instituto Nacional de Educación Física \(INEF\)](#) [National Institute of Physical Education]

[Ministerio de Medio Ambiente](#) [Ministry of Environment]

- [Instituto Nacional de Meteorología \(INM\)](#) [National Institute of Meteorology]

[Ministerio de Asuntos Exteriores](#) [Ministry of External Affairs]

- [Agencia Española de Cooperación Internacional \(AECI\)](#) [Spanish Agency of International Cooperation]
- [Instituto Cervantes](#) [Cervantes Institute]

[Ministerio de Hacienda](#) [Ministry of Finance]

- [Secretaría de Estado de Presupuestos y Gastos](#) [State Secretariat of Budget and Expense]
- [Dirección General de Tributos](#) [General Directorate of Taxes]
 - [Agencia Tributaria](#) [Tax Agency]
- [Dirección General del Patrimonio del Estado \(DGPE\)](#) [General Directorate of National Heritage]
 - [Subdirección General de Compras](#) [General Subdirectorato of Purchases]
- [Dirección General del Catastro](#) [General Directorate of the Cadastre]
- [Instituto de Estudios Fiscales \(IEF\)](#) [Institute of Fiscal Studies]

[Ministerio de Sanidad y Consumo](#) [Ministry of Health and Consumer Affairs]

- [Instituto Nacional de la Salud \(INSALUD\)](#) [National Institute of Health]
- [Instituto de Salud Carlos III \(ISC III\)](#)

Ministerio del Interior [Ministry of the Interior]

- [Dirección General de la Policía](#) [General Directorate of the Police]
- [Dirección General de Política Interior](#) [General Directorate of Internal Politics]
- [Dirección General de Infraestructuras y Material de la Seguridad](#) [General Directorate of the Security Infrastructure and Material]
- [Dirección General de la Guardia Civil](#) [General Directorate of the Civil Guard]
- [Dirección General de Protección Civil](#) [General Directorate of Civil Protection]
- [Dirección General de Tráfico](#) [General Directorate of Transport]

[Ministerio de Justicia](#) [Ministry of Justice]

- [Instituto de Toxicología](#) [Institute of Toxicology]

[Ministerio de Trabajo y Asuntos Sociales \(MTAS\)](#) [Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs]

- [Secretaría de Estado de la Seguridad Social](#) [State Secretariat of Social Security]
 - [Instituto de Migraciones y Servicios Sociales \(IMSERSO\)](#) [Institute of Migration and Social Services]
- [Instituto Nacional de Empleo \(INEM\)](#) [National Institute of Employment]
- [Instituto Nacional de Seguridad e Higiene en el Trabajo \(INSHT\)](#) [National Institute of Security and Health at Work]
- [Instituto de la Juventud \(INJUVE\)](#) [Institute of the Youth]
- [Instituto de la Mujer](#) [Institute of Women]

[Ministerio de la Presidencia](#) [Ministry of the Presidency]

- [Centro de Estudios Políticos y Constitucionales](#) [Centre of Political and Constitutional Studies]
- [Centro de Investigaciones Sociológicas \(CIS\)](#) [Centre of Sociological Research]
- [Radio Televisión Española \(RTVE\)](#) [Spanish Radio and Television]

[Ministerio para las Administraciones Públicas \(MAP\)](#) [Ministry for Public Administrations]

- [Inspección General de Servicios de la Administración Pública \(IGSAP\)](#)
- [Instituto Nacional de Administración Pública \(INAP\)](#) [National Institute of Public Administration]
- [Consejo Superior de Informática \(CSI\)](#) [Superior Council of Informatics]

[Ministerio de Ciencia y Tecnología](#) [Ministry of Science and Technology]

- [Secretaría de Estado de Telecomunicaciones y para la Sociedad de la Información](#) [State Secretariat of Telecommunications and for the Information Society]
- [Oficina Española de Patentes y Marcas \(OEPM\)](#) [Spanish Office of Patents and Trademarks]
- [Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas \(CSIC\)](#) [Superior Council of Scientific Research]
 - [Instituto Nacional del Carbón \(INCAR\)](#) [National Institute of Coal]
- [Centro de Investigaciones Energéticas Medioambientales y Tecnológicas \(CIEMAT\)](#) [Centre of Environmental and Technological Energy Research]
- [Centro para el Desarrollo Tecnológico Industrial \(CDTI\)](#) [Centre for Industrial Technological Development]

[Consejo de Seguridad Nuclear \(CSN\)](#) [Council for Nuclear Safety]

[Consejo Económico y Social de España \(CES\)](#) [Social and Economic Council of Spain]

4 [Banco de España](#) [Bank of Spain]

[Tribunal de Cuentas](#) [Court of Accounts]

[Agencia de Protección de Datos](#) [Agency for Data Protection]

[Defensor del Pueblo](#) [People's Ombudsperson]

[Consejo de Estado](#) [Council of State]

[Tribunal Constitucional](#) [Constitutional Court]

[Consejo General del Poder Judicial \(CGPJ\)](#) [General Council of the Judiciary]

Transparency in Spanish Government?

Corruption in Spanish Government?

Accountability in Spanish Government?

Long-Term Goals, why don't Spanish citizens agree with the government on long term goals for Spain?

Representation, are there flaws in this system?

Campaigning Methods, are elections equal for all runners?

Constitution, does it reflect Spain's pluralist society?

Auxiliary Committees - Are there areas of Spanish technology, technical economy, agriculture, etc., that need improvement? How?

Specialist Committee - What are the most immediate pressing matters for improvement in Spain?

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