



**E.S.T.A. 2009 CONFERENCE, GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND EXHIBITION  
ROME, 26-28 APRIL, 2009**

**CROWNE PLAZA ROME-St. PETER'S HOTEL \*\*\*\*sup.**  
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**PRACTICAL INFORMATION**

**A. MAIN FEATURES**

**VENUE**

The Crowne Plaza Rome-St. Peter's Hotel is located in a 4 hectar park in a beautiful residential area of Rome, just a few minutes from S. Peter's Basilica, S. Angelo's Castle, the Vatican City and the city centre of Rome.

The Hotel has a SPA Health & Fitness Centre with heated indoor swimming pool, sauna, Roman bath, jacuzzi, gym, cardio fitness circuit, outdoor swimming pool (open only from May to September), 4 tennis courts, bar with live entertainment every evening, etc....

All the rooms have a private balcony and are equipped with individually controlled air conditioning, trousers press, iron/ironing board, tea/coffee making facilities, electronic safety box, WiFi and wired high speed internet connection, .....

Fiumicino International Airport is at 25 km from the hotel. A taxi costs approx. Eur 45.

**TIME ZONE** : GMT + 1 hour

**CURRENCY** : Euro – an ATM is available in the lobby of the hotel.

**POWER SUPPLY** : The current is 220 volts AC, 50 Hz; European-style 2-pin plugs are in use.

**INTERNET ACCESS** : high speed wireless internet access is also available in the lobby of the hotel (several internet business corners) and in the meeting/conference rooms.

**B. STAYING THERE**

**HOTEL RESERVATIONS**

ESTA has booked a block of 225 rooms at the Crowne Plaza Hotel at the discounted rate of Eur 160 per room/night, in single occupancy and Eur 180 per room/night in double occupancy, inclusive American breakfast buffet, service and taxes. **A reservation of two nights is required.**

ESTA succeeded to book a rather limited number of rooms, at the same rate, for the two days before and after the event, if the reservation is made by end February 2009 at the latest.

Furthermore an allotment of 100 double rooms has been blocked in the TORRE ROSSA PARK HOTEL \*\*\* ([www.hotel-invest.com](http://www.hotel-invest.com)), part of the Aurelia Convention Centre & Expo and located at approx.100m from the Crowne Plaza, at a discounted rate of Eur 135 per room/night in single use and Eur 145 in double use, inclusive English breakfast, service and taxes.

For both hotels: check-in time as of 15.00 hours and check-out time before 12.00 hours.

A private luggage-room has been reserved for ESTA in the foyers of the conference area of the Crowne Plaza.

**HOTEL COSTS, SUBSTITUTIONS AND CANCELLATIONS**

The hotel accommodation costs are not included in the conference fee and are supported individually by the participants.

The secretariat should be informed well in time of all modifications, substitutions or cancellations by fax or by e-mail. If not cancelled well in advance, the hotel will charge the **total** stay costs. **Cancellations received after 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2009 will consequently not be refunded.**

### C. THE CONFERENCE

#### ATTENDANCE

Only ESTA Members having paid their 2009 subscription fee are allowed to participate and **the admission to the conference is subject to the pre-registration and the pre-payment of the conference attendance fee.**

For security reasons there is no "walk-in", on-site registration.

**Subject to ESTA's approval, Members may invite guests to the conference, under their responsibility; a registration form should be completed for each invited guest. However ESTA has the right to refuse a registration without giving any justification.**

#### ATTENDANCE FEE

The fee is fixed at Eur 725 per delegate participating in the conference and Eur 325 for the accompanying person not attending the working sessions, excl. VAT.

**The conference fee will be invoiced in full even if the delegates are not participating in all the events.**

**The participants are requested to settle their conference dues by bank transfer, free of any charges for ESTA, at the very latest one month before the start of the conference.**

#### WELCOME DESK – CONFERENCE PACKAGE

The participants are invited to collect their conference maps and badges at the ESTA welcome desk in the hotel lobby, during the afternoon of Saturday and Sunday.

#### CULTURAL TOURISTIC ACTIVITIES

There will be no sightseeing activities organised by the ESTA.

The Concierge, whose desk is located in the hotel lobby, stays at your entire disposal for the organization of any excursion or to arrange a car rental. The hotel also offers a free shuttle service to and from the (historical) city centre.

#### CONFERENCE LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS

As usually simultaneous translation will be provided (normally from and to English, French and Italian).

#### EXHIBITION & SPONSORING

Vehicle builders can finally again participate in the exhibition. The vehicle parking along the right side of the hotel (out of street sight) is also accessible via the glass doors of the exhibition room and the foyers (both with day-light). The doors of the exhibition room are opening to the foyers where coffee breaks and cocktails are being held; the height of the large exhibition room is 4m and allows for the exhibition of all kinds of displays. The conference room is located next to the exhibition room and the foyers.

Participating in the exhibition or sponsoring a service, a lunch, dinner, cocktail party, coffee-break, portfolios... or placing an advertisement in the program, enables you to enhance awareness of your company. Do not hesitate to contact the ESTA secretariat for eventual additional information.

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The participation to the conference will offer you the opportunity to socialize with colleagues and to discuss experiences, technology, systems, innovative solutions and procedures, all this in the historical environment of Rome.

The ESTA Organising Committee will be working very hard to make once more of this ESTA conference a most interesting and successful event.

With your support and attendance it will be the highlight of the year 2009. Do not miss this unique opportunity.

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU IN ROME !**

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