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TRAVEL TO PUNTA DEL ESTE

Punta del Este is easier to reach than it may seem

Two simple gateways. One easy final leg.

01 MONTEVIDEO

Best when travelling directly from Europe

Land at MVD. A pre-booked driver takes you directly to your hotel.

02 BUENOS AIRES

Ideal if your itinerary already includes Buenos Aires

Continue by direct flight or travel comfortably by ferry.

Recommended arrival: 1 December, preferably in the afternoon

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FROM EUROPE

Choose the gateway that fits your itinerary

Both routes lead to a straightforward final transfer.

VIA MONTEVIDEO (MVD)

Direct from Madrid

One connection from Paris, Frankfurt, Brussels, Rome and Milan, commonly via Madrid or São Paulo.

MVD to Punta del Este Private car · approximately 2 hours

VIA BUENOS AIRES

Best for participants already attending meetings in the city

Continue to Punta del Este by direct flight, or take Buquebús to Montevideo and a private car onward.

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IF YOU ARE ALREADY IN BUENOS AIRES

Punta del Este is a natural next stop

Choose speed by air or a comfortable journey by ferry.

DIRECT FLIGHT

AEP to PDP

2 flights on 1 December

Departures at 11:30 and 21:20
Flight time: approximately 55 minutes

DIRECT FERRY

Buquebús to Montevideo

Approximately 2 h 30 min

Continue by pre-booked private car to Punta del Este. Allow approximately 2 hours for the road transfer.

BOOK EARLY

Ferry check-in opens 2 hours before departure

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ONCE YOU ARRIVE

It is a very safe destination where everything is close and easy to arrange

You will not need to rent a car or manage local logistics alone.

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MINUTES

Most recommended hotels are a short drive from the Convention Center.

Ask your hotel to arrange a car, or use Uber, a taxi or a private driver.

RECOMMENDED HOTELS

The Organizing Committee has confirmed room availability for the Forum dates.

The Grand Hotel

Hotel La Capilla

L'Auberge

Barradas Parque

2122 Hotel Art Design

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PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE

A full day of business dialogue and connections

Arrive on 1 December. The Forum takes place on 2 December.

1 DECEMBER	**Arrival in Punta del Este**
MORNING	**Opening and morning panel sessions**
NETWORKING	Request meetings through the platform and view the full participant list
LUNCH	Networking lunch with sector-focused areas for easier connections around shared interests
AFTERNOON	High-level trade dialogue with Uruguay's Minister of Foreign Affairs and European Commissioner Maroš Šefčovič
FINANCE + CLOSE	Regional financing session with key institutions, followed by a high-level closing

EVENING · CLOSING COCKTAIL AT MACA

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CLOSING COCKTAIL

An evening at MACA

Museo de Arte Contemporáneo Atchugarry · Manantiales





2 DECEMBER

Following the high-level closing

Contemporary art, landmark architecture and the landscape of Manantiales create a memorable setting for informal conversations.

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YOUR TRAVEL PLAN

Three decisions. We will help with the rest.

1 **Choose your gateway**

Montevideo or Buenos Aires

2 **Plan your arrival**

1 December, preferably in the afternoon

3 **How long will you stay?**

Consider extending your visit to 3 and/or 4 December

BRINGING A BUSINESS DELEGATION?

We can explore a tailored agenda in Uruguay for your companies on 3 and/or 4 December.

Stay on to experience Punta del Este, a safe destination that attracts founders and business leaders from across the Southern Cone.

Forum website

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BACKUP · PRACTICAL FAQ

Practical questions from participants

When should I arrive?	1 December, preferably in the afternoon.	**What time is the Forum?**	2 December, 09:30–21:00.
Do I need to rent a car?	No. Use a hotel-arranged car, Uber, taxi or private driver.	**Are hotel rooms available?**	The Committee has confirmed availability at the recommended hotels.
How far is the venue?	Approximately 10 minutes by car from central Punta del Este.	**What about visa requirements?**	Check the official requirements for your passport before booking.
Which languages are used?	English, Spanish and Portuguese.	**Where can I find updates?**	The Forum website contains the latest practical information.

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