

## MEETING SCHEDULE

The one-day workshop starts with registration at 08:45 CET on Saturday 15 April 2023, and is expected to close by 18:00 CET.  
<https://www.ascobans.org/en/meeting/ascobans-accobams-marine-debris-workshop-new-and-emerging-aspects>

## MEETING VENUE

### Hotel Spa Norat O Grove

Avenida Luis Casais 22 36980 O Grove Pontevedra

<https://www.hotelspanoratogrove.com/en/location-ogrove/>



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Delegates must ensure their own medical and other insurance covers for the duration of the travel, including the workshop.



## ASCOBANS-ACCOBAMS Marine Debris Workshop: New and Emerging Aspects

15 April 2023  
O Grove, Galicia, Spain

Hosted by:  
Secretariats of ASCOBANS & ACCOBAMS

## HOW TO REACH THE VENUE

### Airplane:

There are three international airports close to O Grove:

- Vigo (65 km)
- Santiago de Compostela (80 km). From the airport, in Santiago or Vigo, take a city bus or a taxi to the bus station or to the railway-station (you can buy the ticket in the bus, in cash).
- Porto, Portugal (200 km). From the airport, take a direct bus to Vigo bus/train station, or a bus to Vigo city center and then to Vigo bus station. See e.g. <https://www.checkmybus.co.uk/>.

Various options to come to O Grove:

- Take a direct bus to O Grove from Santiago or Pontevedra.
- Take a bus or train to Pontevedra, then a bus from Pontevedra to O Grove.
- Take a metered taxi from the airport.

### Bus:

<https://www.monbus.es/en>; <https://www.renfe.com/es/en>. Please check the timetables before your departure. The complete Monbus bus schedules (weekends) are only available one month in advance. As the schedules do not vary significantly between months, check the schedule for this month currently available, to have an understanding of the departure times.

On the website, by entering departure Vigo and destination O Grove (for example), the website will show direct buses only, so you will have to separately look for the buses from Vigo to Pontevedra and then from Pontevedra to O Grove to have all possibilities.

NB. Different “last bus” times apply to different routes.

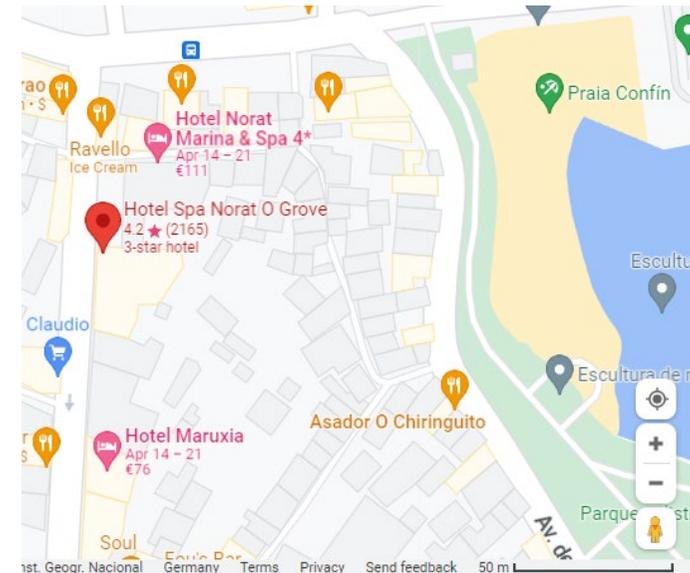
### Car Rentals:

From any of the three airports you can also rent a car from the many car rental companies.

**NB: Some hotels also arrange airport transfers.**

## ACCOMMODATION

O Grove has 50 hotels, ranging from 1 five-star hotel to 5 four-star hotels and then 3 two and one-star hotels, as well as campsites and holiday flats. Here a couple of hotels that are partnering with the ECS conference and have been chosen by the ECS organizer for their proximity to the ECS conference venue as well as the quality of their service and accommodation: [Hotel Norat - Marina and Spa](#), [Hotel Maruxia](#), [Hotel Spa Norat - O Grove](#).



## EXCHANGE RATES

The currency used in Spain is Euro (EUR).

Exchange rates on 17 March 2023:

1 EUR = 1.06 USD, 0.88 GBP, 4.70 PLN, 7.44 DKK, 11.19 SEK.