

EUROPHOTONICS SPRING SCHOOL 2026


SITGES, BARCELONA

23 – 26 of March, 2026



SPRING SCHOOL SCHEDULE

SCHEDULE SPRING SCHOOL EUROPHOTONICS 2026 Talaya Room - Sunway Hotel, Sitges, Barcelona

	Monday, March 23 rd	Tuesday, March 24 th	Wednesday, March 25 th	Thursday, March 26 th	
8.45 - 9.15		Registartion - Talaya Room			
9.15 - 9.30		Opening			
9.30 - 10.15		Mantas Gaidys Laser micro and nanomachining: from functional surfaces to 3D nanostructures (Vilnius University)	Uli Lemmer Inkjet printed photonics: a surprising startup opportunity (KIT)	Marco Oringotti The Geometry of Light (Tampere University)	
10.15 - 11.00		Elodie Choquet Direct detection of exoplanets with high-contrast imaging instruments (Aix Marseille Université)	Angel Lizana Polarimetric Techniques for Improved Imaging of Biological Tissues (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona)	David Hunger Optically addressable spins and their photonic interfacing for quantum networks (KIT)	
11.00 - 11.30		coffee break	coffee break	coffee break	
11.30 - 12.15		Romain Dubessy Controlling atoms with light: a path to Quantum simulation (Aix Marseille Université)	Laurent Gallais Pushing the Limits: Optical Components for Extreme Power and Intensity Lasers (Centrale Mediterranee, France)	María García-Parajo Nanophotonics meets Biology (ICFO, Barcelona)	
12.15 - 13.00		Estela Martin Sculpting light fields at the speed of sound (Universitat de Barcelona)	Enrique Garcia-Caurel Polarimetric Imaging of Electric fields with microsecond temporal resolution in cold plasma jets (Ecole Polytechnique, France)	María García-Parajo Gender balance in Physics: are we making progress? (ICFO, Barcelona)	
13.00 - 14.30		lunch	lunch	lunch	
14.30 - 15.15		Arrivals and apparmnt distribution	Regina GUMENYUK When Power Meets Time: High-Power Fiber Lasers in the Short-Pulse Regime (Tampere University)	Viktorija Tamuliene X-waves in backward wave optical parametric oscillator (Vilnius University)	
15.15 - 16.00			Valerio Pruneri Photonic Chips in Europe Accelerating Research and Product Development (ICFO)	Thomas Brown Polarization, Stress Engineering and Structured Light (Rochester University, USA)	
16.00 - 16.30	coffee break		break		
16.30 - 17.15	Shroddha Mukhopadhyay Engineering Nonlinear Light-Matter Interactions in Thin Films and Resonant Metasurfaces (Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, former student 2021)		Emilie Robert Image processing pipelines for Earth Observation and Planetology (CNES, France, former student 2018)		
17.15 - 18.00	Professional oportunites enabled by photonics Organized by CARLA project 		Juan Rafael Alvarez Multi-dimensional frequency-bin entanglement-based quantum key distribution network (Telecom, Paris - former student 2018)		
18.00 - 18.30			beer break		
18.30 - 20.00		Consortium Meeting (only for the consortium members)	Students poster session Networking		
20.00 - 22.00	dinner	dinner	dinner		

Sitges – Barcelona

Sitges is a Mediterranean sea side town, located south Barcelona, near Barcelona airport.



Location for the Spring School: [Hotel Sunway Playa Golf](https://hotelplayagolfsitges.com/) <https://hotelplayagolfsitges.com/>

The Hotel is located on the promenade of Sitges, in front of the sea.

Address: Paseo Maritimo 92-94, Sitges



Location for the Spring School: [Hotel Sunway Playa Golf](https://hotelplayagolfsitges.com/) <https://hotelplayagolfsitges.com/>

Talaya conference room



Students accomodation

Sunway Amapola Apartments

Sunway Amapola Apartments, with full kitchens and all the facilities.

<https://sunway.es/es/edificios/AMA-apartamentos-sunway-amapola>

Address: Carrer Poeta Trinitat Catasús, 7, 08870 Sitges, Barcelona.

25 minutes walking or 6 minutes by bike from the hotel (bicycles available for free at the hotel reception).

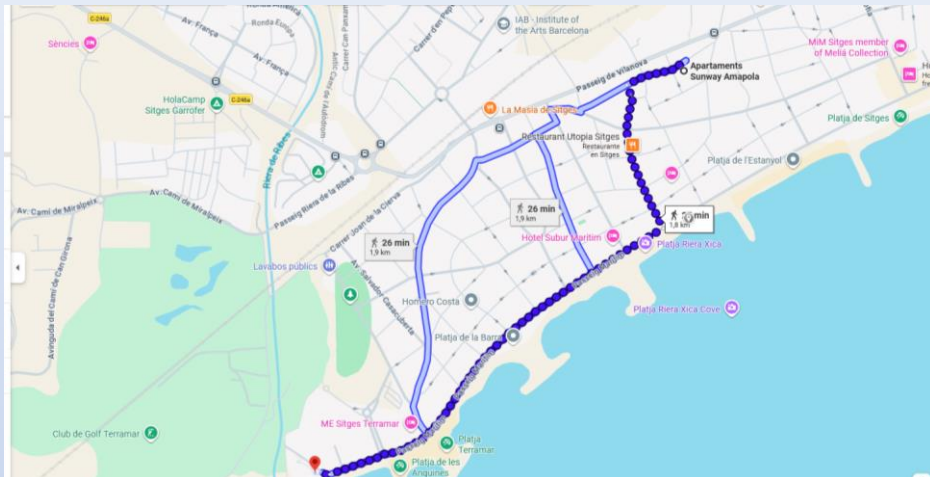
Details : capacity 4pax

2 bedrooms, a living room, bathrooms, kitchen and balcony-terrace.

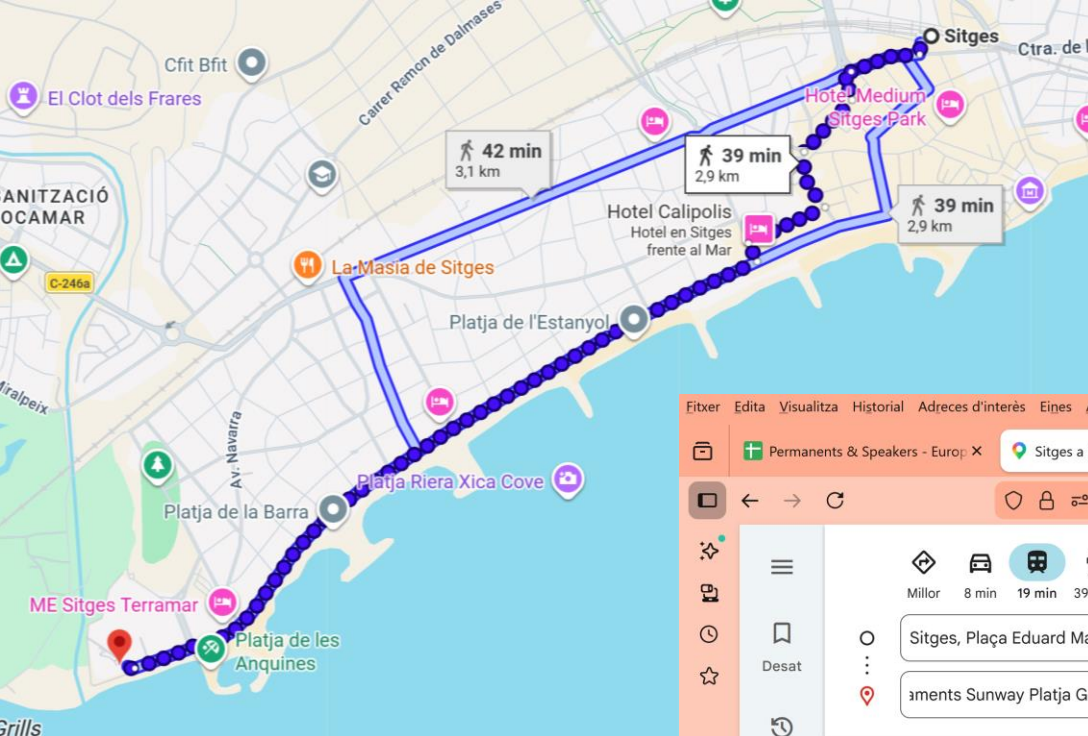
The kitchen includes a refrigerator and a natural gas hob with an oven.

It does not have a microwave. It does not have air conditioning / heating.

Bath towels and bed linen are included.



From the train station to the hotel: 2,9 km



A screenshot of the Google Maps web interface. The search bar shows the route from Sitges, Plaça Eduard Maristany, 1, 08870 to Apartaments Sunway Platja Golf, Passeig Marítim. The transit section shows the following options:

Time	Duration
19:45-20:04	19 min
19:35-20:01	26 min

The map shows a blue route starting from the train station, passing through the city center, and ending at the hotel. The transit icon is selected in the top navigation bar.