

	<p>9.00: Secretary General of the Fundación Consejo España – EE.UU., Ambassador Mr. Eduardo Garrigues</p> <p>Mr. Garrigues has been Head of the Caribbean Area at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Counsellor in Spain’s Delegation to the United Nation. Advisor to the U.N. Security Council; Deputy Director General for of Africa at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Director of the Spanish Institute in London and Cultural Counsellor in the Spanish Embassy; General Consul of Spain in Los Angeles; General Director of Casa de América; Ambassador of Spain to Namibia and Botswana; Ambassador of Spain in Norway and Island; Advisor for Hispanic Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.</p> <p>9.30: Secretary of State of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Angel Lossada</p> <p>Mr. Lossada has been assigned to the Spanish Embassy in Moscow, Algeria and Beirut He held the post of General-Sub-director of the Middle East. He was named Director of the Department of Coordination of Spanish Participation in the United Nations Security Council in 2004. In 2005 he held the title of General Director of International Relations for Terrorism, No Proliferation, and Disarmament.</p> <p>Visit and briefing at the U.S. Embassy in Madrid Serrano, 75. Madrid. Tel: 91 5872508 www.embusa.es</p> <p>[This visit will be made together with a group or “young leaders of Hispanic origin” participating in a visitors program run by Fundación Carolina].</p> <p>Lunch offered by the board members of Fundación Consejo España – Estados Unidos at Casa de América Paseo de Recoletos, 2. Madrid. Tel: 91 5954839 www.casamerica.es</p>
12.00 noon	
	02.00 pm
	<p>The Casa de América, which is housed in the Linares Palace, is a Consortium formed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Community of Madrid and the Capital City’s Town Hall. It has an Executive Council that is chaired on a rotating basis by the President of the Community, the Mayor of Madrid and the Secretary of State for International Cooperation and Latin America as well as a high-level Board of Trustees chaired by H.M. the King. The Casa de América is the institution par excellence in Spain that focuses on the very intense flow of relations among the members of the Latin American Community with special attention being paid to contacts between the American countries and Spain.</p> <p>Ana Iribar: 91 595 48 41 M^a Jesús de Avila: 618 659 489</p>

<p>04.00 – [] pm</p> <p>09.00 pm</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr. James Levy, Director of Republicans Abroad Spain and representative for Inversis. - Ms. Alana Mocery, Director of Democrats Abroad Spain <p>Personal appointments / Free time</p> <p>Tapas dinner and flamenco show at famous <i>tablao</i> Casa Patas Cañizares, 10. Madrid. Tel: 91 3690496 www.casapatas.com</p>
<p>April 21 – Wednesday</p> <p>09.30 am</p> <p>12.00 noon</p>	<p>Meeting at the Elcano Royal Institute for International and Strategic Studies Príncipe de Vergara, 51 Madrid. Tel: 91 781 6770 www.realinstitutoelcano.org</p> <p>Meet and greet:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ambassador Mr. Antonio de Oyarzábal, Vicepresident - Ms. Pilar Tena, Deputy Director - Mr. Haizam Amirah Fernández, expert on Mediterranean and Arabic Affairs. <p>The Elcano Royal Institute is a private think-tank, independent of both the public administration and the companies which provide most of its funding. It was established, under the honorary presidency of HRH the Prince of Asturias, in 2001 for the purpose of conducting an exhaustive study of the interests of Spain and of Spaniards in international affairs and to place its findings before the public at large. Elcano considers itself a non-partisan -but not neutral- institution that seeks to promote the values by which it was inspired and which aims to establish a global strategy resulting in political proposals having a practical application. The chief mission of the Elcano Royal Institute is to provide a centre of analysis and initiative of practical use to politicians, heads of relevant public and private entities, and to help promote an informed public opinion.</p> <p>Visit to Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria Bank (BBVA) Paseo de la Castellana 81. Madrid Tel: 91 3747988 www.grupobbva.com</p> <p>Meeting: Mr. Román Escolano, Institutional Relations Director</p>

<p>02.00 pm</p> <p>04.00 pm</p>	<p>BBVA is one of the most important banking institutions in Europe. With a market capitalisation of more than 50 billion Euro, it ranks second in the Eurozone. BBVA has a brilliant track record in creating value. Share revalorization exceeds 600%, the highest performance among Europe's main banks. The Group has a direct presence in 37 countries, basically in Europe and Latin America. It has nearly 110.000 employees, 70.000 of whom work for the Group's Latin American units, and a network of close to 9.000 branches, 4.800 located in Latin America. BBVA also distributes its products and services through an extensive network of its own ATMs, advanced telephone and on-line banking services in Spain and in all Latin American countries in which it does business. On the domestic market, BBVA leads the retail banking sector and is also at the forefront of the corporate banking segment, in relations with small and medium-sized enterprises and with the public administrations. In the US BBVA has bought two regional banks: Laredo National Bankshares (Texas) and Sun Valley Bank (California). It also has a majority in the venture capital firm Palladium Equity III.</p> <p>Lunch offered by BBVA</p> <p>Visit to INDRA Avenida de Bruselas, 35. Arroyo de la Vega, Alcobendas Tel: 91 4806321 www.indra.es</p> <p>Meeting: Mr. Josep Pujol, Institutional Affairs Director</p> <p>INDRA is the leading Spanish Information Technologies and Defense Systems company. A solid technology base, permanent innovation, quality in processes and results, demanding management and the high degree of qualification of more than 20,000 professionals that work for the company are the pillars sustaining its success. Indra is organised around three business areas: Information Technologies, Simulation and Automatic Test Systems and Defence Electronic Equipment. Indra has become an outstanding reference on the markets on which it operates, with business in more than 80 countries on the five continents, representing approximately a third of the company's annual revenues.</p>
<p>BARCELONA</p>	
<p>April 22 – Thursday</p> <p>10.00 am</p>	<p>Visit to CIDOB Foundation c/ Elisabets, 12. Barcelona. Tel: 93 318 08 07 www.cidob.org</p> <p>Anna Ayuso: 659143319</p> <p>Meeting: Ms. Anna Ayuso, Director for Latin America Affairs</p>

<p>12.00 noon</p>	<p>Visit to Abertis Infrastructures Avinguda del Parc Logistic, 12-20. Barcelona. Tel: 93 230 5000 www.abertis.com</p> <p>Meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr. Sergi Loughney, Corporate Relations Director - Mr. Jordi Graells, Director for North America <p>Abertis is an international group which manages mobility and telecommunications infrastructures through five business areas: Tollroads, Telecommunications infrastructures, Airports, Car parks and Logistics parks. As a result of continuous international expansion it now operates in 18 countries on 3 continents and has consolidated its position as the leading infrastructure management company in Europe and a major world player in the field. The Abertis group has a workforce of over 11,000 people and almost 50% of its income is generated outside of Spain. abertis is listed on the Spanish Stock Exchange and forms part of the selective Ibex 35 index, as well as the Dow Jones Sustainability, FTSE Eurofirst 300 and Standard & Poor's Europe 350 international indices.</p>
<p>02.00 pm</p>	<p>Lunch offered by Abertis Infrastructures</p>
<p>04.00 pm</p>	<p>Guided bus/walking tour to Barcelona</p>