

Welcome to Madrid

The Espacio (inaugurated in May 2012) is located in the emblematic building of Madrid's Gran Vía and can be accessed by the street Fuencarral, 3. This building, constructed between 1926 and 1929, was inaugurated in 1930 as the new headquarters of the company, became the first skyscraper in Europe and was the tallest during almost a year.

The intentions behind the location of the Telefónica Foundation Espacio were to place it in what was, and still is, a unique historical building thanks to its architecture, in a state-of-the-art space with design and modernity. The project is the result of a collective work coordinated by Telefónica Foundation and directed by the architecture Miguel Ángel García Alonso – director of the Quanto Arquitectura study-.

The space aims to be a reference of 21st century culture to reflect and debate the adventure of telecommunications and art in the past, present and future, serving as a meeting point between the historic avant-garde and the knowledge revolution in which we are living today. Its 6,000 m², divided over four floors, is devoted to the dialogue between art, technology and the new forms of communication through different workshops, guided visits, an auditorium and various exhibition spaces, which makes it an **ideal place to visit with children and teenagers** due to the peculiarity of the building (its lift and staircase deserve a visit) and its permanent exhibition on the **History of Telecommunications**.

The History of Telecommunications

This permanent exhibition offers the opportunity to discover a collection unique in Spain and understand the evolution of telecommunications in our country.

From primitive distance communication systems, to the latest in satellite connections; from the first telephone of the nineteenth century to the latest model with internet. The visitor will see how communication systems have evolved from when telephone operators dialled the connections manually, to new technologies that allow us to connect and communicate in real time with everyone.

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Accessibility

General

Accesses and spaces adapted for persons with reduced mobility, adapted toilets, elevators, resting areas and wheel-chairs to be used in the halls.

Services

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Shop

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Audioguides

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Lockers / Cloakroom

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Guided tours

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Lift

Practical Information

Address

Calle
de Fuencarral, 3
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Website

<https://espacio.fundaciontelefonica.com/>

Metro

Gran Vía (L1, L5)

Cercanías (local train)

Madrid-Sol

Price

Free entry.

Guided visits: free with prior reservation.

Type

Cultural venues
Cultural centres, exhibition halls, foundations

Tourist area

Sol / Gran Vía

Fax

Email

espacio@fundaciontelefonica.com

Bus

001, 002, 1, 2, 3, 46, 74, 146, N16, N18,
N19, N20, N21

BiciMAD bike-share scheme

Alquiler de bicis (BiciMAD)

Docking Stations:

- Calle Desengaño, 1
- Calle Tres Cruces, 7
- Plaza de Pedro Zerolo, 1

Times

Tues – Sun: 12:00 – 20:00.



