



**CALL FOR PAPERS**

**INTERNATIONAL SYSTEMIC COLLOQUIUM**

**(the systemic-cybernetic approach and its application to the Quixote)**

**Villanueva de los Infantes**  
**-the “place of la Mancha” which name Cervantes did not want to remember-**  
**Campo de Montiel, Spain, from 28 June to 2 July, 2017**

Offered by the **Sociedad Española de Sistemas Generales (SESGE)** in cooperation with the **II Congreso Internacional América-Europa sobre los Valores del Quijote (IICAE17)**

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Given the role played by the theory and methodology of Systems and Cybernetics in the discovery of the Place of la Mancha in Cervantes' novel Don Quixote, the Sociedad Española de Sistemas Generales (SESGE) ([www.sesge.org](http://www.sesge.org)) wants to invite all the systemic and cybernetician colleagues, interested or no on the Quixote, to present a communication at any of the two groups:

- A) CURRENT SYSTEMS THEORY AND CYBERNETICS: PROBLEMS AND PERSPECTIVES
- B) SESSIONS ON THE NOVEL OF DON QUIXOTE AS A COMPLEX SYSTEM OF SENTENCES

**SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF THE COLLOQUIUM**

\*The venue is the “Casa de Espiritualidad de las Madres Siervas de Jesus”, 7 kms from Villanueva de los Infantes, situated in a countryside full of trees in contrast with the flat and dry land of la Mancha, on the same way used by don Quixote in the novel returning from

Sierra Morena. There are gardens, a swimming pool, conference salon, a church and sports field. All the academic sessions will take place at this venue.

## PAPERS

Communications may deal with any of the following matters:

A) **ABOUT CURRENT SYSTEMS AND CYBERNETICS. Some relevant themes could be:**

\*Historical empirical contributions of Systems Theory and Cybernetics: from Systems Dynamics (Forrester) to the discovery of the Place of la Mancha in The Quixote (Universidad Complutense de Madrid); \*The Viable Model of S. Bear: the Spanish political change in 1978; \* Second-Order Cybernetics: Some ethical aspects from Von Foester to Stuart Umpleby; \*The Soft Systems Methodology of Checkland: the case of Brexit; \*Systemic mediation in conflicts; \*Some systemic approaches in Medicine: the contribution of Dr. Martí Bosch; \*The systemic approach in Family Problems; \*Internet Security: some systemic approaches; \*Systemic solutions to Government Problems; \*Free choice of other subjects

B) **ABOUT THE QUIXOTE AS A SYSTEM. some relevant themes could be:**

\*Can the novel of don Quixote be seen as a closed/open system of sentences?; \*Can it be also seen as a closed system of values?; \*Can Systems Theory be applied to literary analysis with positive results?; \*The discovery of the “place of la Mancha” through systemic approaches: critical aspects; \*What could be the axiological impact of The Quixote in the contemporary world?

## LANGUAGE

Papers can be written and presented in English, French and Spanish. Nevertheless it is recommended to use Power Point presentations in English to improve communication between participants.

## SPECIAL CONDITIONS

For the colleagues specialized in Systems Theory and Cybernetics whose papers and CV have been accepted for the Systemic Colloquium, the “**Sociedad Española de Sistemas Generales**” (SESGE) and the “**II Congreso Internacional America-Europa: los Valores del Quijote**” (IICIAE17) will pay their full accommodation (breakfast, break, lunch and dinner ) during the 5 nights/ 4 days of the stay in the Casa de la Espiritualidad. Accompany persons will pay for meals

\*For all the paper givers accepted for the Systemic Colloquium, or for the IICIAE17, the Congress will facilitate the transport from Madrid to Villanueva de los Infantes (225 km), on the 28 June 2017 and also the coming back on the 3 July from Villanueva de los Infantes until the Madrid Airport, at the moderate cost of 25 Euros each person (cheaper than taking undergrounds, taxis,, buses, transfers and so on, and avoiding

the logical difficulties of information, schedules, etc.). Therefore the participants will go directly from the Airport until the hotels and the Casa de la Espiritualidad.

\*Daily transports from the House of Spirituality to cultural events in Villanueva de los Infantes will be free.

\*Nevertheless, the sightseeing tour to Torre de Juan Abad/Montiel on the 30<sup>th</sup> June will cost 5 Euros each person; and to Lagunas de Ruidera on the 2<sup>th</sup> July will cost 8 Euros each person (lunch is included). The entry to Cueva de Montesinos , will depend of the maximum number of people allowed for that day..

## **CULTURAL ACTIVITIES**

All the persons registered at the IICIAE17 and his/her accompanying persons will have the opportunity to participate in the cultural events prepared by the Town Hall of Villanueva de los Infantes, that in principle are:

29 June 2017, first afternoon/evening: visit to the town of Fuenllana; the “Sigh of Sancho Panza” and sunset on the village of Villanueva de los Infantes and Campo de Montiel (free). A cup wine will be served by courtesy of the municipality of Fuenllana.

30 June, second afternoon/evening: sightseeing tour of the Quevedo Museum in the town of Torre de Juan Abad and the site where the King Pedro the Cruel was murdered in the town of Montiel. (The Bus cost will be 5 Euros each person). We will see a medieval spectacle (free) and a cup wine will be served by courtesy of the municipality of Montiel.

1 July, third evening: Theatre: “Requiem for don Quixote” in Villanueva de los Infantes (free).

2 July, At 10 a.m. closure of the IICIAE17; and at 11 a.m. departure by bus to Lagunas de Ruidera (the Bus cost be 8 Euros each person). We will have lunch in Ruidera (free) where only accompany persons have to pay. The entry to Cueva de Montesinos (quoted in the Quixote) will depend of the maximum number of people allowed for that day, and we shall inform about the price.

3 July: Departure by bus to Madrid Airport (already paid by participants).

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## **IMPORTANT NOTES ABOUT ACCOMMODATION IN THE “CASA DE ESPIRITUALIDAD”**

1. It is important to know that the stay in this House is in a regime of full board and rather Spartan accommodation and work. Sessions will star at 8 and continue until 15 hours with a break of one hour).
2. Specifically, the House has: 19 single/double rooms with bath; 6 double rooms with a bathroom each two rooms; and 40 bunk beds divided into 10 rooms, each of one have

7 washbasin, 6 showers and 6 toilets. The House, therefore, has a maximum of 90 beds if we consider the special conditions of the 19 single/double rooms, the 6 double rooms and the 40 bunk beds, depending of the kind of room the participants choose.

3. But given the rule of the House of not distinction among economic categories or prices, **the best single rooms will be assigned to the participants strictly according to the date of registration at the IICIAE17.** According to the available time, the maximum number of paper givers for this Colloquium can be 32, although the number of individual rooms are  $19+6+10=35$  where the last 10 are bunk beds. In any case it is recommended to register for the IICAE17 as soon as possible.

## REGISTRATION

To attend the International Systemic Colloquium it is necessary to register for the II Congreso Internacional America-Europa sobre los Valores del Quijote (IICIAE17). see: ([www.congresoamericaeuropa.org](http://www.congresoamericaeuropa.org)).The registration fees are:

\*For participants, with or without presenting a paper, until 31 March 2017: 190 Euros, which includes the conference proceedings, two official meals and coffee breaks. (Paper givers at the Colloquium will have only one official meal)

\*Id id (from 1 April to 25 June 2017): 220 Euros

\*Reduced fees for papers no presented personally: 150 Euros ( which include conference proceedings)

\*Reduced fees for students or unemployed not presenting a paper: 150 Euros including two official meals and coffee breaks.

\*One inscription has the right to present only a paper

\*When several authors present a collective paper, each one the them should pay his/her registration fees.

## ORGANIZATION OF THE COLLOQUIUM

All the papers that have been accepted will be discussed in a plenary session with all the participants. During the almost three days of the academic colloquium we will have 6 hours per day, with 30 minutes for each paper (20 mn +10 mn for discussion). Thus, we could have a maximum of 32 papers during the Colloquium. The presentations of papers will start at 8 hours

and continue until 15 hours, with a break of one hour, from 11 to 12 for coffee and rest. Lunch will be served from 15 to 16 hours.

All the afternoons will be free until dinner at 19 hours

Every afternoon/evening, at 20 h. a bus will take the participants to Villanueva de los Infantes for the cultural events. The bus will return to the House exactly at 23 hours.

The last day (2 July ) will be devoted to: a) attend the IICIAE17 Closure in Villanueva de los Infantes; b) to visit Villanueva de los Infantes and for walking the Scientific Circuit about the "Place of la Mancha"; and c) Bus for the visit Lagunas de Ruidera for lunch and Cueva de Montesinos.

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