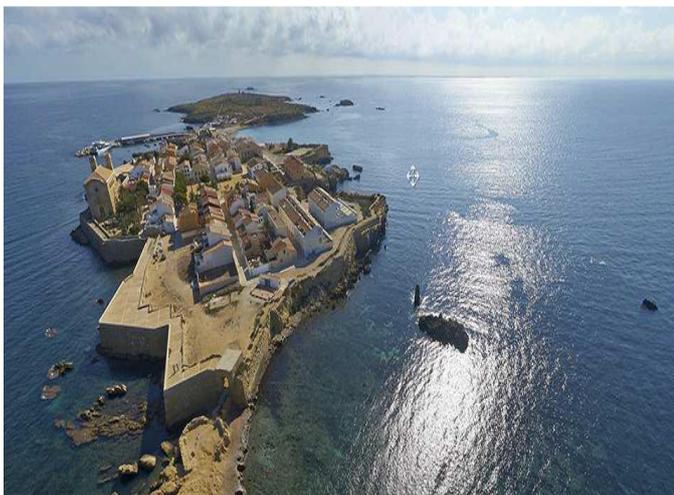


Last social event: Tabarca

The day after.....

The AREUEA Intl Conference in Alicante is expected to be very busy concentrating around 140 paper presentation in two days. The work will be very hard and the rest is needed, that is why we are organized an activity to relax **the day after... go to Tabarca.**

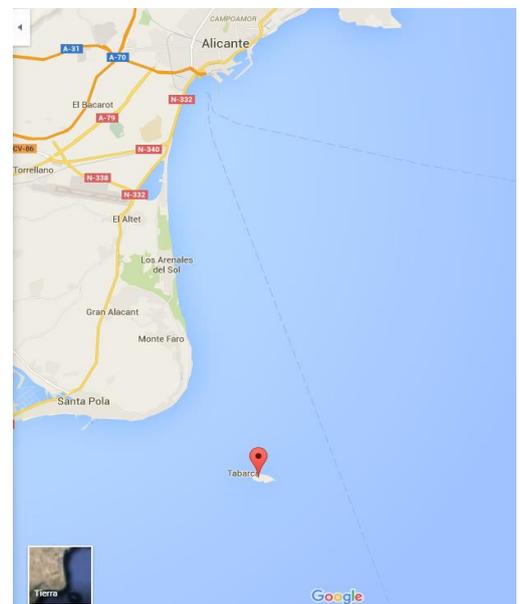
Tabarca is the only inhabited island in the Region of Valencia and is located opposite the city of Alicante, 11 nautical miles offshore and near the Santa Pola headland. In fact, it's more than just an island: it's a small archipelago that comprises the islets of La Cantera, La Galera and La Nao as well as the Isla de Tabarca itself. It is approximately 1,800 metres long and measures some 400 metres across at its widest point. It is currently protected area as declared Natural Park by the Spanish Institutions.



In the past, its shores were a refuge for Berber pirates and, in the 18th century, King Carlos III ordered the island to be fortified and a town built, in which to house several families of Genoese fishermen who were being held prisoner in the Tunisian city of Tabarka.

We have planned a quiet-day in Tabarca, a beautiful island for rest, after the congress. The day includes sailing, going to the beach, waling, eat a 'caldero' and return to Alicante city mid afternoon.

We plan to take a boat in the morning at 11am, not very early to allow attendants to enjoy farewell dinner and the Alicante Friday night.



The boat ride is comfortable and lasts for around one hour. In the case we are more than 100 people, we are planning to hire a full boat only for AREUEA delegates and accompanying persons.

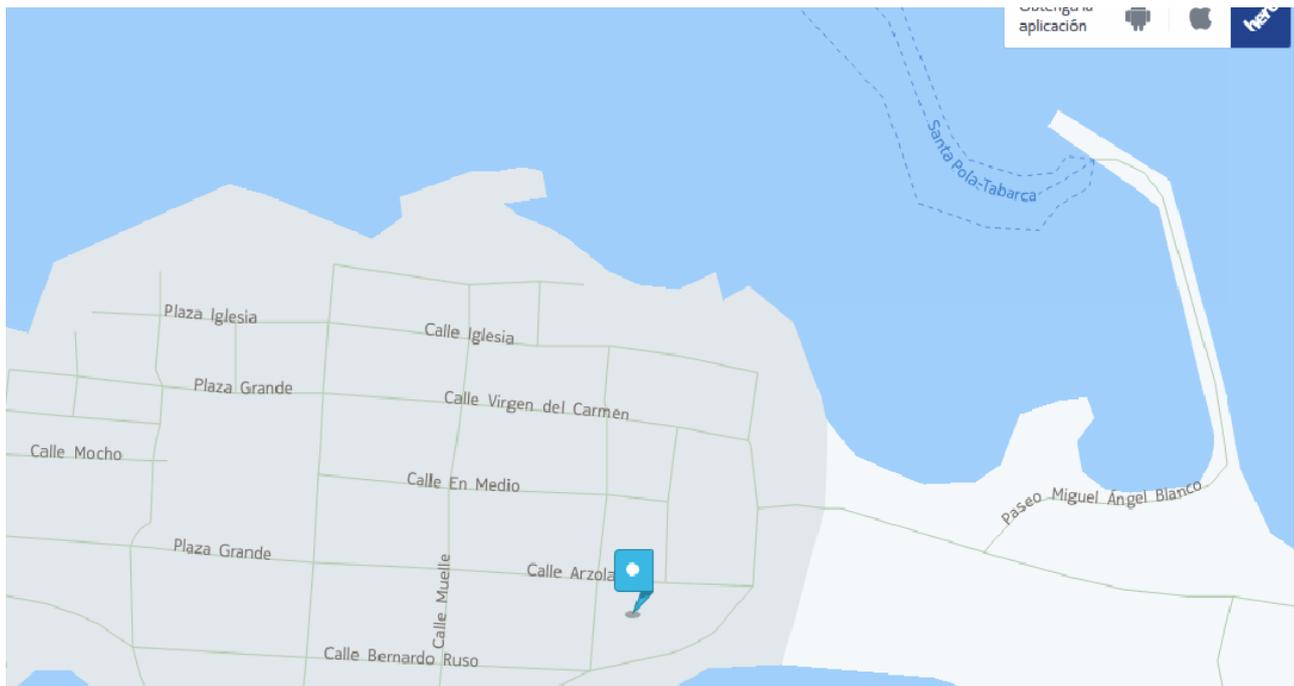


As the island is in front of the city, the sea usually is quite calm making the trip very pleasant. The arrival is beautiful with the boat coasting the island and allowing to see part of the walls. The walls surrounding the town have been officially declared a Historical and Artistic Site and an Asset of Cultural Interest.

We expect to arrive around noon. Once on the island, we can have enough time to enjoy swimming at the beach, taking sunshine, walking, visiting the small town or enjoy the coves and beaches with their crystal-clear waters and a picturesque fishing port.



We will have a lunch at 13.30 pm in one of the best Tabarca's restaurants called 'Gloria' where we have booked caldero for the whole group. Tabarca's caldero is very famous. The caldero is a fish-dish consisting in several parts: fish soup, paella and the fish-meat cooked at natural oven. It is cooked in a traditional way and very healthy. Caldero is considered an Alicante delicious speciality and very difficult to find with the quality reached in Tabarca in any restaurant in the city or along the coast. Caldero is particularly cooked in those areas with islands (you also can find caldero In Balearic Islands).



After the meal, we can rest, walk through the town and/or go for a visit to the island's museum.

After that, we come back to Alicante around 6 pm. There are numerous departure times back from Tabarca allowing those wanting to go back early or late, to do so. In addition, visitors can also enjoy an overnight stay on the island, thanks to the recent opening of accommodation. This, however, is out of our task.

We look forward to you joining us to Tabarca.

Timetable. Saturday, 9th July 2016

10.45 Alicante Sport Harbour. Kontiki Pier.

11.35 Tabarca Island

11.35-13.30 Free time

13.30 Lunch in Gloria's

15.00-16.30 Free time

16.45. Tabarca Port

17.45 Alicante Sport Harbour. Kontiki Pier.

