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High-speed trains, high-tech trams; Focal point on France/Spain rail study tour

Top high-speed trains, together with state-of-the-art tram systems, share the spotlight on a rail-packed, 11-day study tour to France and Spain sponsored by the Midwest High-Speed Rail Association (MHSRA).

The tour runs March 15-25.

Beginning in Paris, tour participants also visit Bordeaux, Madrid, Seville and Barcelona. Along the way, they'll ride the Alstom built AVE, the Talgo 350, the TGV Duplex as well as three local transit systems. They'll also get exclusive, behind-the-scenes tours of the Charles de Gaulle Airport station and two high-speed rail maintenance shop complexes.

Tour leader Werner Schorn, of Bonn, Germany is a rail expert and has worked in railroad tourism for more than 30 years. Mr. Schorn will be accompanied by Rick Harnish, MHSRA director.

France/Spain specialist Fred Rotschild rounds out the tour faculty. Mr. Rotschild will offer more general sightseeing for participants—or their spouses—who prefer less “hard-core” rail touring.

Tour cost is \$3,140 per person. Air and rail fare is additional to allow flexibility of arrival and departure dates. The tour is limited to 30 travelers. Single supplement is \$1,032.

To book or for more information, contact The Society of International Railway Travelers, a rail tour specialty company with more than 20 years experience. Call (800) 478-4881 or email tourdesk@irtsociety.com.

The Midwest High Speed Rail Association is a member-supported non-profit educational organization promoting the development of fast, frequent and dependable train service connecting the entire Midwest. Our members include business leaders, mayors and individuals that want the option of traveling by train.

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