

At 11.00am this morning in the Formentera Council's Sala d'Actes, CiF social welfare councillor Vanessa Parellada met with the organiser of the Festa Intercultural, Maribel Jiménez Tur, and Adan Gimena, who chairs the organising group, to unveil details about Formentera's 17th Festa Intercultural, an event scheduled for April 7 in es Pujols' plaça d'Europa.

The yearly gathering encompasses a diverse array of countries and Spanish autonomous communities represented on the island (twelve and six, respectively). Chile, Bolivia, Dominican Republic, Argentina, Colombia, Venezuela, Indonesia, Brazil, Italy, Ecuador, Morocco, Paraguay, plus Andalusia, Galicia, Valencia, Catalunya, Asturias, Castilla la Mancha, Andalusia and Formentera, are some of the twenty nations and peoples whose cuisines and cultures will be represented at the event.

Games for children

Activities from 1.00pm to 6.00pm will include mural painting, a pint-size field day or “gymkhana” and games from around the world. Children at the Festa Intercultural will also be able to enjoy inflatable bouncy toys and take part in other kid-friendly activities.

World cuisine

From 2.00pm to 3.30pm, attendees will be treated to an assortment of fine-dining flavours from the event's various stands. Among the signature world dishes expected to make appearances are Moroccan couscous, Argentinian roast meat (asado) and an Indonesian dish, not to mention more traditional fare like Valencian paella and arròs negre.

Musical performances

Music, including a selection from participating countries and regions, is on the programme from 2.00pm to 7.00pm. Islanders will enjoy a sonada pagesa (a local signature), Brazilian dance, Argentinian folklore, merengue from the Dominican Republic and more. Paco Romero together with Claudio Sabor and Gabriel Guitar will be there with more music later, and La 22 will help wrap things up with a closing concert.

Admission

Four-euro adult tickets permit their holder to enjoy five sample dishes, while admission for children under 12 is €2 and includes three sample dishes. Islanders are asked to do their part for the environment by bringing their own plates and cutlery. Those who can't will be provided biodegradable utensils with everything they need. The 2019 Festa Intercultural is, for the first time ever, 100 per cent plastics-free. The officials also took the opportunity to applaud hard work of this year's 100-person team of volunteers.

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