

WORLD LINK FOR LAW NORTH
AMERICAN REGIONAL MEETING

BOSTON

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WELCOME TO BOSTON

The World Link for Law North American Regional Meeting will take place from October 9th to 11th, 2025, in the historic city of Boston, USA.

Working in partnership with Anthony Barsamian from Hutchings Barsamian, a Board Member of World Link for Law, we have created an agenda filled with insightful discussions, dynamic presentations, engaging speakers, and valuable networking opportunities.

You will also have the opportunity to explore Boston and immerse yourself in its rich history, diverse culture, world-class cuisine, and unique local charm.



ACCOMMODATION

We have organised a discounted World Link for Law room rate at The Sheraton Boston Hotel, part of the Marriott Group of Hotels.

Nestled in the historic Back Bay area and directly connected to the Prudential Centre and the Hynes Convention Centre, experience outstanding service and an incredible location in downtown Boston, offering soaring views of the Charles River.

The hotel boasts an expansive indoor swimming pool with a retractable roof and an adjacent outdoor sun deck, as well as an on-site fitness centre including Peloton bikes.

To book your accommodation at The Sheraton Boston Hotel, please [\[click here\]](#) and contact Rachel Tombs.

The World Link for Law rate has been confirmed at **\$325 per night + charges and tax**. This exclusive room rate booking will only be available until September 18, 2025.

Please note: breakfast is an extra charge, which we believe will be \$40 dollars a night.

Once you have made your booking, please contact Rachel Tombs (rachel@worldlink-law.com) so that we can keep track of numbers. If you'd like to extend your stay before or after the conference dates, again, let us know and we will do our best to help secure the same favourable rates.

Address: 39 Dalton Street, Boston, Massachusetts, USA, 02199

Telephone: +1 617 236 2000

Website URL



USEFUL INFORMATION

DISTANCE FROM AIRPORTS

- Boston Logan International Airport – 4.0 miles
- T F Green Airport – 59.0 miles
- Manchester-Boston Regional Airport – 50.6 Miles
- Other Transportation
- Bus Station: Back Bay Station, South Station and North Station
- Subway Station: Prudential MBTA Station (Green Line – E) and Hynes MBTA Station (Green Line)
- Train Station: South Station and Back Bay Station

TAXIS

Uber/Lyft For Terminals A, C and E, follow signs to Central Parking and then look for signs for Rideshare. For Terminal B follow signs to Terminal B Garage on the Departures Level and then look for signs for Rideshare. Uber and Lyft are both available and are likely less expensive than taxi services.

TIME ZONE

The time zone in Boston is Eastern Daylight Time (EDT), which is UTC (Coordinated Universal Time) -4 hours.

THE WEATHER

When visiting Boston in early October, you can expect temperatures to be in the mid-60s to upper 70s Fahrenheit (18°C to 26°C) during the day. However, the nights will be much cooler, so layering is key. Be sure to pack a light jacket or sweater and an umbrella - so you'll be ready for a cool evening or a passing shower.

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

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Thursday 9 October

Welcome Evening - All of Boston in One View & Dinner at Eataly

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Friday 10 October

Board Meeting, Boston Duck Tours & Dinner at Abe and Louie's

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9 – ALL OF BOSTON IN ONE VIEW

View Boston is a 360-degree observation deck offering breathtaking and orienting views from high above the heart of Boston. The observatory encompasses the top three floors of Prudential Tower.

We will be ascending to the top of Prudential Tower's 52nd floor for incredible indoor panoramic views of the city, no matter where you stand. The journey continues on the 51st floor, where you will find plenty of photo opportunities as you roam the 360-degree open-air roof deck, where we will be having drinks with a view at Stratus.

We have booked a package that includes two drinks, and we will aim to enjoy seeing Boston in the daylight, sunset and at night within our two-hour experience.

This venue is a 6-minute walk from the hotel. We will leave from the hotel lobby at 5 pm to walk to View Boston. Alternatively, you can join us between 5:15 pm and 7:30 pm and pick up your tickets from the View Boston kiosk.

Start Time: 5:00 pm - Meet in the hotel lobby and walk to View Boston

End Time: 7:30 pm

View Boston Address: 800 Boylston St, Boston, MA 02199, USA

View Boston Telephone: +1 617 236 3100

Dress Code: Smart/Casual.

Ticket Cost: £55 per person



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9 – DINNER AT EATALY AT LA PIZZA E LA PASTA

After taking in everything View Boston has to offer, we will head to Eataly in the Prudential Centre for dinner.

Eataly is the world's largest Italian marketplace, dedicated to offering high-quality, yet affordable, regional Italian food with a local twist. As of now, Eataly USA comprises Eataly New York Flatiron, Eataly Chicago, Eataly NYC Downtown, Eataly Boston, Eataly L.A., and Eataly Las Vegas – all modelled after the first Eataly in Turin, Italy, founded by Oscar Farinetti in 2007. Eataly Boston is a three-floor authentic Italian experience with plenty for guests to eat, shop and learn including: four full-service restaurants; retail counters (including meat, seafood, fresh pasta, pastry and chocolate, cheese and cured meats); two coffee bars; a bakery; a salad bar; a mozzarella lab; a gelato counter; every essential grocery department including sweets, spreads and jams, hundreds of olive oils, and dry pastas (sourced from both Italy and New England); a housewares section; a book store; a cooking school; various private event spaces, and much more!

Start Time: 7.30 pm at La Pizza e La Pasta

Address: 800 Boylston St, Boston, MA 02199.

This venue is a 6-minute walk from the hotel.

Website URL

Eataly Telephone Number: +1 617 807-7300

Dress Code: Casual.

Ticket Cost: £100 per person



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9 – DINNER AT EATALY: MENU

The menu selection for Eataly is as follows:

For Antipasti

- Suppli Cacio e Pepe

Crispy Riso Scotti rice, Granarolo Pecorino Romano DOP, black pepper

Pizza

- Margherita Verace

San Marzano Tomato, Buffalo Mozzarella, Basil, Extra Virgin Olive Oil

- Capricciosa

San Marzano Tomato Sauce, Mozzarella di Napoli, Cremini Mushroom, Gaeta Olives, Ferrarini Prosciutto Cotto, Artichoke, Basil, Extra Virgin Olive Oil

Pasta

- Quadrati Ricotta Spinaci

Housemade Spinach & Calabro Ricotta Filled Pasta, Butter, Agriform Grana Padano DOP, Sage

- Tagliatelle Alla Bolognese

Housemade Tagliatelle, Pork & Beef Ragù alla Bolognese, Agriform Parmigiano Reggiano® DOP

Dolci

- Cannoli al Cioccolato e Pistacchio

Cannolo Shell, Sweet Sheep Milk Ricotta with Toasted Sicilian Pistachios & Chocolate Chips

All served as a family-style/sharing platter for you to enjoy! Limited drinks are available.

Start Time: 7.30 pm at La Pizza e La Pasta

Address: 800 Boylston St, Boston, MA 02199.

This venue is a 6-minute walk from the hotel.

Dress Code: Casual.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10 – BOARD MEETING

DETAILS

- Meeting: Board Meeting at the University of Massachusetts (UMASS)
- Time: 10:00 am - 1 pm with lunch provided
- Location: UMASS - University of Massachusetts Club - Dartmouth Room

This is a 40-minute walk from the Hotel, or taxis can be provided in groups. Anthony Barsamian will be available in the hotel lobby at 9.30 am to ensure your group taxi is ready for you.

If you plan to walk, please let him know in advance to ensure adequate transportation is available for everyone.

Start Time: 10:00 am

End Time: 1:00 pm

Address: One Beacon Street, 32nd Floor, Boston, MA 02108

Website URL

Main Switchboard Number: 413-545-0111

Dress Code: Smart.





FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10 – AFTERNOON MEMBERS ACTIVITY

Experiencing Boston's most popular tour with Boston Duck Tours – Afternoon Members Activity

We will embark on an unforgettable private 80-minute tour with Boston Duck Tours, taking in the city like never before, by both land and water.

As we roll through Boston's vibrant neighbourhoods and then splash into the Charles River, we will be treated to stunning views of the skyline, historic landmarks, and the unique charm that makes Boston the birthplace of American freedom and a city of firsts.

The legendary ConDucktors will put their unique spin on the tour, filling every moment with fascinating facts, hidden gems, and plenty of laughter.

Departure Location: The Prudential Centre, 53 Huntington Avenue, Boston, MA 02116, USA. This is an 8-minute walk from the hotel

Start Time: 4:00 pm - please meet in the hotel lobby at 3:20 pm

End Time: 5:20 pm

Dress Code: Casual.

Ticket Cost: £125 per person



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10 – MEMBERS DINNER AT ABE & LOUIES

It all started with a passion for excellence.

In 1965, Charles F. Sarkis established the modern restaurant business in Boston. Through the simple philosophy of providing guests with quality cuisine and artful service, Abe & Louie's was born into the Back Bay Restaurant Group family of concepts. Named after Charles' father and good friend, Abe & Louie's has since set the standard for steakhouses across the country, becoming known for its undeniably superior service and unmatched flavour combinations.

More than a decade later, Tavistock Restaurant Collection is proud to continue the Abe & Louie's legacy as a Boylston Street namesake and as part of its broader portfolio of restaurant brands. Abe & Louie's signature menu items, such as prime-aged Midwestern steaks and fresh seafood accompanied by seasonal produce, have earned several high-ranking awards from notable outlets since its debut.

The evening will begin in our exclusive private dining space with a warm welcome and a cocktail reception from 7:30 pm to 8:00 pm. At 8:00 p.m., guests will be seated to enjoy an elegant five-course meal, accompanied by a selection of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages. As the evening progresses, tea and coffee will be served to round out the dining experience. The event will conclude at approximately 11.00 pm, following an evening of fine food, great company, and engaging conversation.

Thank you to the Bank of America for their support as the sponsor of this meal.

Address: 793 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02116.

This is an 8-minute walk from the hotel.

Start Time: 7.30 pm

End Time: 11:00 pm

Telephone: +1 617 536 6300

Website URL

Dress Code: Smart.

Ticket Cost: £185



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10 – MEMBERS DINNER AT ABE & LOUIES: MENU

The menu for dinner at Abe & Louies is as follows:

Enjoy a welcome drink/cocktail upon arrival.

You will then be seated and have a selection of assorted artisan breads served with local cultured butter

Starters

- Abe's House Salad

Baby romaine, cucumber, tomato, olives, red onion, feta, dijon vinaigrette

- New England Clam Chowder

Fresh clams, bacon, potatoes, thyme

- Potato Leek Soup

Creme fraiche, crispy leek

Entree

- Faroe Island Salmon

With a mustard glaze

- New York Strip

16 oz

- Pan Roasted Chicken

- Corn & Tomato Risotto

Shallot, basil, parmesan

Drinks

There will be a selection of beverages to enhance your experience at this meal.

Sides for the table

- Asparagus
- Hand-Cut French Fries

Enjoy a selection of award-winning red and white wines, along with Kila Organic Cava Bubbles.

Desserts

- Chef's Seasonal Selection

A variety of freshly brewed coffee, tea, and both still and sparkling water will also be available.

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Start Time: 7:30 pm

End Time: 11:00 pm

Telephone: +1 617 536 6300

Website URL

Dress Code: Smart.

Ticket Cost: £185

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11 – NORTH AMERICAN REGIONAL MEETING

The North American Regional Meeting will take place at The Sheraton Boston Hotel from **8:00 a.m.** with a continental breakfast for an hour. The meeting will then commence at **9:00 a.m.** and run until **1:00 p.m.**, with a **coffee break at 10:30 a.m.** followed by a **buffet lunch from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

The meeting will bring together our members for a morning of engaging sessions, featuring speakers from World Link for Law as well as special guest presenters. The agenda includes interactive breakout groups designed to foster collaboration and encourage the sharing of ideas. followed by a networking lunch, which will be served in the hotel's main restaurant space.

Our guest speaker will be Gary Belvin, Principal Consultant at GDB Security PLC.

Address: The Sheraton Boston Hotel, 39 Dalton Street, Boston, Massachusetts, USA, 02199

Location: 5th Floor, Boston Common Room/Public Garden Room
(Opposite the swimming pool and fitness centre)

Start Time: 8:00 am

End Time: 2:00 pm

Telephone: +1 617 236 2000

Website URL

Dress Code: Smart.

Ticket Cost: £300 per person



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11 – NORTH AMERICAN REGIONAL MEETING

OUR SPEAKERS



Gary Belvin, Principal Consultant at GDB Security PLC.

Gary is a leading expert in secure communications and information security. He is an xNSA, xGoogle cryptographer and former fintech CISO, who founded Key Transparency—a cryptographic framework now protecting communications in iMessage, WhatsApp, and Proton—and built security programs protecting AI algorithms responsible for over 10% of the US equities market. His policy work with 30 Fortune 100 CISOs resulted in Executive Order 13800 on cybersecurity, establishing him as a trusted regulatory interlocutor across eight international markets. Gary will discuss how legal professionals can leverage the latest advances in cryptography and AI to protect sensitive client communications and confidential data.

Contact: gary.belvin@gmail.com | gdbsecurity.com



Barbaros Karaahmet, Chief Operating Partner of Herrick and Board Member of World Link for Law will facilitate our Group Discussion. The theme will be Law Firm Management.

Barbaros Karaahmet is the Chief Operating Partner and a member of the Executive Committee at Herrick, Feinstein LLP. He has been with the firm since 1995. He is also involved in international trade and cross-border business matters, particularly for multinational companies establishing U.S. operations. He also advises on real estate acquisitions, leasing, and financing for family businesses.

See Barbaros Karaahmet's profile [here](#).

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Dress Code: Smart.

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OUR SPEAKERS



Anahit Melkonyan

A J.D. Candidate at Harvard Law School with a background in economics and hands-on experience in financial regulation. After completing undergraduate studies in economics, she served as a Financial Systems Regulator at the Central Bank of Armenia, worked to strengthen financial oversight and regulatory frameworks. Now, through legal studies at Harvard, she is focused on combining her economics expertise with the broad, analytical tools of the law to forge a successful career in financial regulation, aiming to promote data-driven and development oriented regulatory field.

Connect with Anahit [here](#).

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Website URL

Dress Code: Smart.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11 – NORTH AMERICAN REGIONAL MEETING

Event Agenda

Location: 5th Floor, Boston Common Room/Public Garden Room

8:00 AM: Breakfast (1 hour)

9:00 AM: Welcome and Opening (30 minutes)

Accompanied by a brief talk from sponsor Denis D Hamboyan from the Bank of America

9:30 AM: Speaker Session:

Gary Belvin National and Cyber Security (1 hour)

10:30 AM: Refreshment Break (30 minutes)

11:00 AM: Law Firm Management Group Discussions (1 hour)

Lead and Facilitated by Barbaros Karaahmet

12:15 PM: North American Regional Meeting (45 minutes)

General discussion amongst members on any topics they wish to raise.

12:45 PM: Talk plus Q&A with Anahit Melkonyan (15 minutes)

1:00 PM: Lunch (1 hour)

2:00 PM: Official Finish and Networking



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11 – NORTH AMERICAN REGIONAL MEETING

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT

8:00 AM Continental Breakfast BOSTON COMMON (5th floor)

Join us for a Continental Breakfast

- Fresh Fruit Display
 - Chef's Selection of Breakfast Pastries and Muffins
 - Individual Flavored Greek Yogurts
 - Assorted Fruit Juices: Orange, Apple and Cranberry
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- Freshly Brewed Regular and Decaffeinated Starbucks® Coffee, Selection of Tazo Teas, plus Still and Sparkling Water

10:30 AM Coffee Break BOSTON COMMON (5th floor)

Enjoy fresh Warm Cinnamon Buns

- Macaron "Everything Bagel"
with Bacon Cream Cheese
- Cereal Milks
Cinnamon Toast Crunch, Fruity Pebbles

- Freshly Brewed Regular and Decaffeinated Starbucks® Coffee, Selection of Tazo Teas plus Still and Sparkling Water

1:00 PM Lunch Buffet BOSTON COMMON (5th floor)

We have selected a Latin Spice Lunch Buffet, which includes:

- Chicken Tinga Soup
- Tostones
Pico De Gallo
- Ensalada Verde
Roasted Zucchini, Red Onion, Cherry Tomato, Creamy Avocado Dressing
- Mexican Street Corn Salsa
Chipotle, Cojita Cheese
- Carnitas
Flour Tortilla, Cojita Cheese, Cilantro and Onion Slaw
- Arroz Con Pollo
Chicken Thighs, Tomato, Seasoned Rice
- Refried Pinto Beans
Garlic, Chilli
- Garlic Chilli Roasted Zucchini

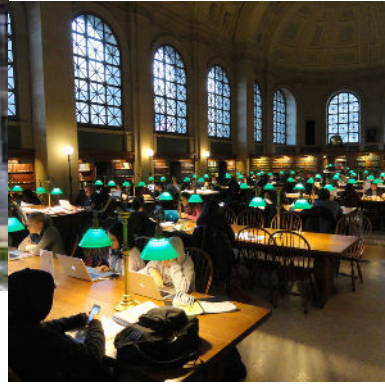
Fried Yucca

Mojo, Garlic

- Tres Leches Cake
Cinnamon Sugar Churros

- Assorted Pepsi Product Soft Drinks
- Freshly Brewed Regular and Decaffeinated Starbucks® Coffee, Selection of Tazo Teas, plus Still and Sparkling Water





SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11 – AFTERNOON MEMBERS ACTIVITY

A coach will pick us up from the Sheraton Boston, where we will begin a private tour exploring Harvard University. We will then embark on an unforgettable 90-minute student-led walking tour, where history and tradition come alive!

Stretching about a mile, this engaging journey takes you throughout Harvard's campus and surrounding neighbourhood while enthusiastic student guides provide entertaining stories of Harvard's fascinating past, as well as their own experiences. We will also visit Harvard Law School, and you will have a brief opportunity at the beginning to buy some Harvard souvenirs.

A quick stop at the end of the tour to visit Mike's Pastry so you can indulge in Authentic Italian Pastries in Harvard Square. Mike's Pastry (Dunster Street) has delighted locals and tourists alike with its legendary cannoli, making it a must-visit tradition for anyone in the city before heading back to 75 Mt Auburn St to get the coach back to the hotel.

Collection from hotel: 2:15 pm

Drop off will be at Harvard University/Harvard Yard

The Harvard Tour starts at 3:00 p.m. and runs until 5:00 p.m.

Mike's Pastry is a 2-minute walk back to the coach drop-off/collection point.

Coach collection to the hotel: 5:45 pm

Dress Code: Casual.

Ticket Cost: £175 per person

Remember your walking shoes!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11 – ALL MEMBERS DINNER AT JOES ON NEWBURY STREET

Join us for our final evening together at Joes, conveniently located just around the corner from the Sheraton Boston.

Joe's On Newbury offers a distinctively Bostonian dining experience with made-from-scratch bold flavours and classic American comfort fare.

The restaurant provides a perfect setting to unwind and connect with fellow members. With its lively ambience and modern design, it's the ideal spot to reflect on the meeting, continue your networking, and enjoy great food and drink.

We look forward to a memorable end to our time in Boston!

Start Time: 7:30 pm

End Time: 10:30 pm

Address: 181 Newbury St, Boston, MA 02116

This venue is a 5-minute walk from the hotel.

Website URL

Dress Code: Casual.

Ticket Cost: £125



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11 – ALL MEMBERS DINNER AT JOES ON NEWBURY STREET - MENU

Join us for a taste sensation!

Choose from:

Salad

- House Salad mixed greens, cucumber, tomato, herb dijon vinaigrette

Bread Service

- Joe's baked bread with whipped butter

Starters

- Crispy Brussels Sprouts
- Buffalo Chicken Tenders
- Joe's Hot Chicken Wings

Entrees

- Braised Short Rib Meatloaf whipped potatoes, spinach, bacon-mushroom gravy
- Chicken & Broccoli Ziti roasted red peppers, garlic parmesan cream
- Fish & Chips crispy beer-battered atlantic cod, coleslaw, tartar sauce
- Joe's Mac & 5-Cheese gruyère, jack, cheddar, parmesan, blue cheese
- Quinoa Bowl broccoli, red peppers, carrots, bok choy, ginger, peas, mushrooms, sesame vinaigrette

Dessert

- Chef's Dessert Duo: seasonal samplings of Joe's famous desserts

Drinks

- Coffee, Iced Tea & Soft Drinks and Water (Still and Sparkling) will be available.

Alcoholic Beverages

Enjoy a few drinks from a selection of alcoholic beverages that Joes have to offer.

Start Time: 7:30 pm

End Time: 10:30 pm

Address: 181 Newbury St, Boston, MA 02116

This venue is a 5-minute walk from the hotel.

Website URL

Dress Code: Casual.

Ticket Cost: £125
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WHAT'S ON IN BOSTON?

Whilst you're in Boston, why not check out some of these attractions:

Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum

Relive a famous event in American history. Board a replica of an 18th-century ship and dump tea into the harbour.

The Freedom Trail

Walk a 2.5-mile path connecting 16 historic sites. It tells the story of the American Revolution.

Old State House

A key stop on the Freedom Trail. It's a museum of colonial and revolutionary history.

Museum of Science

Explore a massive science museum. It has a planetarium, IMAX, and a Triceratops fossil.

Museum of Fine Arts

See nearly 500,000 works of art. It's one of the largest art museums in the U.S.

Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum

Visit a unique museum in a Venetian-style palace. It holds a beautiful and eclectic art collection.

Boston Public Library

Tour a stunning historic library. The Central Library has beautiful architecture and reading rooms.

Boston Red Sox

Watch a game at Fenway Park. It's the oldest ballpark in Major League Baseball.

Newbury Street

Shop at boutiques and galleries. This street is in the historic Back Bay neighborhood.

Beacon Hill

Wander through a historic neighborhood. It's known for its brick sidewalks and gas lamps.

And after all that, if you're thirsty or hungry, consider stopping at:

J.P. Licks Ice Cream

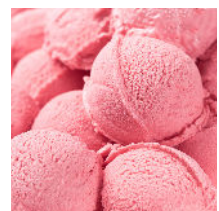
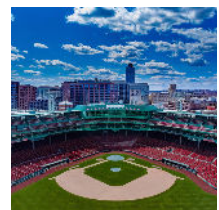
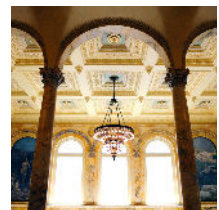
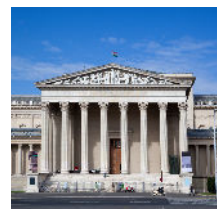
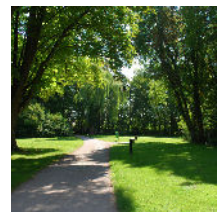
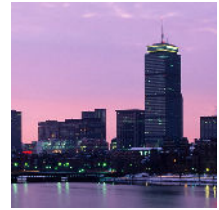
Try creative ice cream flavors. This is a popular local spot.

Antico Forno

Enjoy authentic Italian food. They are known for wood-fired brick oven pizzas.

Regina Pizzeria

Eat classic pizza from a brick oven. This pizzeria has been a Boston favorite since 1926.



YOUR HOSTS



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