



INFORMATION ON LOGISTICS

Hotel Accommodation

Delegates will be accommodated at the Hilton Barbados Resort. The room rates have been negotiated with the hotel (inclusive of breakfast and all taxes). The rates are quoted in **United States Dollars (USD)**. Delegates are advised to book their rooms early, latest by **30th September 2016** in order for them to enjoy the special negotiated rates and the availability of desired rooms. All delegates and participants must contact the hotel directly to arrange, confirm and guarantee their bookings. A link to the hotel reservations site will be circulated to members in due course.

Delegates are kindly requested to note that the Conference organisers will not be in a position to facilitate accommodation in any other hotel other than the one designated hereunder.

Room Rates
\$199 USD per room, per night (single occupancy) \$216 USD per room, per night (double occupancy)
<i>Sleeping room rate includes daily buffet breakfast</i>

Conference Registration

Nomination of delegates, other than special guests and observers must be done by their respective Country Representatives. Further details of registration will be circulated in due course.

Conference Secretariat

Details to be provided shortly

Currency

The Barbados dollar is pegged to the USA dollar at an exchange rate of **US\$1 = BDS\$1.98**. US dollars are accepted island-wide and most stores and restaurants accept major credit cards and traveller's cheques.

Visa & Entry Requirements

All visitors to Barbados require a valid passport. The passport must be valid for the duration of the stay in Barbados.

Most Commonwealth countries do not require entry visa into Barbados. However, citizens of the following Commonwealth countries require entry visas:

- Cameroon
- India
- Namibia
- Pakistan
- Papua New Guinea
- Rwanda

Delegates are advised to check on their visa requirements from Barbados missions and consulates closer to them.

The Immigration Department in Bridgetown is responsible for matters relating to the issuing (of all types) of visas for entry to Barbados by non-nationals. Visitor visas are also issued by Barbados' missions and consulates abroad.

The contact information for the Immigration Department in Barbados is:-

Address: Careenage House,
Wharf Road
Bridgetown
BARBADOS
Telephone: (246) 4344100
Fax: (246) 4260819
E-mail: imm-dept@caribsurf.com
OR

Address: Grantley Adams International Airport
Christ Church
BARBADOS
Telephone: (246) 4184180
Fax: (246) 4207180
E-mail: imm-dept@caribsurf.com

The requisite application form should be completed in duplicate and must be accompanied by two (2) passport-size photographs.

Health Requirements

Yellow fever vaccination certificates are required for travellers, over one year of age, coming from infected areas.

Emergency Services

Acquaint yourself with Barbados' emergency services numbers listed below:

POLICE - 211

AMBULANCE - 511

FIRE - 311

DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE - 411

OPERATOR - 0

Climate

With an average daily high temperature of 78F/26C, an average daily rainfall of less than 1/4 inch and 3000 hours of annual sunshine, it's hard to imagine a place that enjoys weather any more perfect than in Barbados.

On average each year, the daily high temperature is 30°C / 86°F with some 3,000 hours of sunshine, and it gets cooler (but never really cold) at night. The Barbados

climate includes pleasant and revitalising north-east tradewinds almost every day, and Barbados ocean temperatures are deliciously warm (26-29°C / 79-84°F) all year round.

So this means that the best time to visit Barbados is any time of year. We have two main seasons - the dry season (during the northern hemisphere winter and spring) when the temperatures are a bit cooler and we experience less rain, and the wet season (during the northern hemisphere summer and autumn) when days are likely to be warmer and we expect higher rainfall.

Time Zone

Barbados' time zone is UTC/GMT -4:00

Language

English is the official language of Barbados.

Electricity

115/230 volts 50 cycles. Standard plug types in Barbados are two flat blades or flat blades with round grounding pin -most hotels provide converters for European or Asian appliances. North American appliances will not need converters.