



**CAR/SAM Seminar/Workshop on Aerodrome Certification for Operators and Regulators**

Panama City, Panama, 23 to 27 October 2017

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**GENERAL INFORMATION**

(Presented by the Secretariat)

**1. Place and date**

The CAR/SAM Seminar/Workshop on Aerodrome Certification for Operators and Regulators will be held in Panama City, Panama, from 23 to 27 October 2017, in The Syxth conference room, sixth floor, Hotel Riu Plaza Panama.

**2. Address of the venue of the event**

Address: Hotel Riu Plaza Panamá, Street 50 with street 53 Este

Telephone: +507 378 9000

E-mail: <https://www.riu.com/es/hotel/panama/panama-city/hotel-riu-plaza-panama/>

**3. Coordinators**

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**4. Registration of participants**

Participants are requested to fill in the registration form and submit it to SAM Regional Office as soon as possible. A subsequent registration will take place at the corresponding registration

desk, from 08:30 to 09:00 hrs, during the first day of the event, where the duly completed registration sheet should be handed in. Likewise, participants are requested to use the badges supplied to them during registration.

5. **Opening session**

Monday, 23 October 2017

Registration of participants: 08:30 – 09:00

Opening session: 09:00 – 09:30

6. **Documentation link and languages**

The event will be carried out in Spanish and English, with simultaneous interpretation services. The documentation for the Meeting will be posted on the ICAO SAM Regional Office website <https://www.icao.int/sam/pages/default.aspx>, option *Meetings*.

7. **Temperature**

Temperature in Panama City during the month of October varies from 30°C to 22°C. The average humidity is of 85%.

8. **Transportation from/to the airport**

It should be noted that the main streets and avenues in Panama are in a phase of expansion and maintenance, therefore, it is suggested to take the necessary measures and consider an additional time for transportation in order to avoid traffic jam at different hours.

There are authorized taxis services at Tocumen International Airport.

The rate of transportation – Taxis – to/from Tocumen International Airport and the zone of hotels is approximately US\$35.00 (additional person US\$12.00). The rate can be confirmed in the counters located at the exit from migrations office, at the airport. For safety reasons it is recommended to use the services of authorized Tourism taxis of the Tocumen Terminal, located in the following telephone numbers.

9. **Transportations to and from the site of the event**

Participants staying at the event's site could walk to the conference room of the event.

If staying in another hotel near the venue of the event, the use of taxis is suggested.

The companies recommended for transfers within the city are:

Radio Taxi Concordia + 507 236 7848

Radio Yellow Car Panama + 507 396 9999

# 10. **Suggested hotels in Panama city**

Reservations should be arranged directly by the participants with the selected hotel and **well in advance**. \* *Note: These are reference prices and could vary.*

| Hotel                               | Address - Tel/Fax<br>Website - E-mail  | Single<br>US\$ - S/.  | Double<br>US\$ - S/.   |
|-------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Riu Plaza<br>Panama ( <b>Sede</b> ) | Street 50 with street 53 Este, Panama.<br>Tel. +507 378 9000<br><a href="mailto:acardenas@riu.com">acardenas@riu.com</a>   | <b>US 105.00</b><br>Includes breakfast<br>buffet, wifi, use of<br>hotel facilities<br><br>+ 10% tax | <b>Piso Ejecutivo<br/>US 135.00</b><br>Includes breakfast<br>buffet, wifi, use of<br>hotel facilities<br><br>+ 10% tax |
| Hotel DeVille                       | Street 50 and Beatriz M. de Cabal, Panamá.<br>Tel. +507 206 3100<br><a href="mailto:reservaciones@hoteldevillepanama.com">reservaciones@hoteldevillepanama.com</a>                     | <b>US 65.00</b><br>Incluye desayuno, wifi<br><br>+ 10% de impuesto                                  |  |
| Executive<br>Hotel                  | Aquilino de la Guardia Ave., Panama.<br>Tel: +507 265 8011   | <b>US 69.00</b><br>Breakfast included,<br>wifi<br><br>+ 10% tax                                     | <b>US 79.00</b><br>Breakfast included,<br>wifi<br><br>+ 10% tax  |
| Holiday Inn<br>Express<br>Panama    | Street Ricardo Arango and Street 53e, Panama.<br>Tel. +507 305 8800<br><a href="mailto:reservashiexpanama@agrisal.com">reservashiexpanama@agrisal.com</a>                              | <b>US 85.00</b><br>Breakfast included, wifi<br><br>+ 10% de impuesto                                |  |
| Hotel Bristol                       | Zona 10, Aquilino de la Guardia Ave., Panamá<br>Tel. +507 264 0000<br><a href="mailto:reservation@thebristol.com">reservation@thebristol.com</a>                                       | <b>US 125.00</b><br>Breakfast included,<br>wifi.<br><br>+ 10% tax                                   | <b>US 145.00</b><br>Breakfast included,<br>wifi<br><br>+ 10% tax   |
| Panama<br>Marriot Hotel             | Street 52 and Ricardo Arias, Área Bancaria,<br>Panama.<br>Tel. +507 210 9100<br><a href="mailto:mhrs.ptypa.reservations@marriothotel.com">mhrs.ptypa.reservations@marriothotel.com</a> | <b>US 188.00</b><br>Includes breakfast buffet for 1 or 2 persons,<br>wifi<br><br>+ 10% tax          |  |

# 11. **Passport, visa and vaccination requirements**

To enter the country, an valid passport for at least for 6 months before the travel date is required. In some cases visa is requested to enter the country. It is recommended to contact the airline, the Panama Embassy or Consulate in your country to enquire on this requirement well before your departure.

Please also verify if yellow-fever, or any other vaccination is required.

**12. Money exchange and credit cards**

The Panamanian currency is Balboa (B/.) and the US dollar (US \$). The current exchange rate is B/ 1.00 per US \$ 1.00.

Credit cards as American Express, Master Card, VISA, etc, are usually welcome in hotels, shopping centres and restaurants. Traveller's checks should be exchanged in banks.

**13. Hospitals**

In case of emergency, the following services are recommended:

**CENTRO MÉDICO PAITILLA**, located in Av. Balboa and Street 53, Panama City  
Tel.: +507 265 - 8888 (emergencies)  
Tel.: +507 265 - 8800

**CLÍNICA HOSPITAL NACIONAL**, located in Av. Cuba, between Streets 38 and 39, Panama City, telephone: +507 207 9100/ +507 306 3300.

**CLINICA HOSPITAL SANTA FE**, located in Av. Frangipani, Panama City, telephone +507 227-4733.

**14. Electricity**

110 Volts/60Hz.

**15. Airport tax**

The airport tax is US\$ 50.00 US dollars, mostly included in the air ticket cost.

**16. Information on safety and protection**

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| National Police             | 104  |
| Ambulances (SUME911)        | 911  |
| Panama Fire Department      | 103  |
| SINAPROC (Civil Protection) | *335 |
| Panama Red Cross            | *445 |