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GENERAL INFORMATION

**Fourteenth Meeting of the ICAO/LACAC NAM/CAR and SAM Aviation Security and
Facilitation Regional Group (AVSEC/FAL/RG/14)**
Panama City, Panama – June 24 and 26, 2026

**Regional Workshop on Cargo Security and IID Threat Mitigation
in the Freight and Mail Supply Chain (State Letter AS 8/2.1-26/2)**
Panama City, Panama – June 22 and 23, 2026

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Venue and Dates

The Panama Civil Aviation Authority (AAC) will host the Fourteenth Meeting of the of the ICAO/LACAC NAM/CAR and SAM Aviation Security and Facilitation Regional Group (AVSEC/FAL/RG/14). The meeting will be held in Panama City, Panama, from 24 to 26 June 2026, preceded by the Regional Workshop on Cargo Security and IID Threat Mitigation in the Freight and Mail Supply Chain from June 22 to 23 June 2026.

2. Event Venue and Host Contact Details

The meeting will take place at the Residence Inn by Marriott Hotel, located at Edificio Pacific Center, C. Ramón H. Jurado, Panama City, Panama. Telephone: +50 310-0600

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4. Registration and Opening Ceremony

Registration for the Regional Workshop on Cargo Security and IID Threat Mitigation in the Cargo and Mail Supply Chain will begin on Monday, 22 June at 08:00, and the workshop will start at 09:00.

Registration for the Fourteenth Meeting of the Regional Aviation Security and Facilitation Group NAM/CAR and SAM ICAO/LACAC will take place on Wednesday, 24 June at 08:00, with the **Official Opening Session** at 09:00.

Both events will be held at the Residence Inn by Marriott Hotel in Panama City.

5. Weather

In June, Panama is in the middle of the rainy season, resulting in warm days and high humidity levels, often exceeding 80%. Typical weather patterns include sunny mornings with partly cloudy skies, followed by heavy showers—often accompanied by thunderstorms—in the afternoon. Temperatures range from 24°C to 31°C (75°F and 88°F). The landscape becomes lush and green, but outdoor activity planning requires flexibility and the constant use of umbrellas due to the unpredictable nature of tropical rainfall.



6. Currency











As the United States dollar is legal tender in Panama, currency exchange offices are not as common as in other countries. However, some options are available, particularly in tourist areas and at Tocumen International Airport.

7. Lodging:

The following is a list of recommended hotels for participants of the Fourteenth Meeting of the Regional Aviation Security and Facilitation Group NAM/CAR and SAM ICAO/LACAC.

Note: Participants are responsible for making their own hotel reservations directly with the hotels in a timely manner.

HOTEL	ESTRELLAS	DIRECCIÓN	TELÉFONO	TARIFAS POR NOCHE
Residence Inn by Marriot 	4	Edificio Pacific Center, C. Ramon H. Jurado	(+507) 310-0600 https://www.marriott.com/es/default.mi	Tarifa Individual: USD 122.00 + 10 % de IVA
Hotel Ramada Plaza Panamá.	4	Vía Israel y Calle 71, San Francisco. Panamá, República de Panamá.	(+507) 322-0000 https://www.ramadaplaza.panama.com/	Tarifa Individual: USD 93.50 +10% de IVA. Tarifa Grupal: USD 1,122.00 + 10% de IVA
Courtyard by Marriot Multiplaza Mall 	4	Multiplaza Pacific Mall, Vía Israel	(+507) 238-4218 https://www.guestreservations.com/courtyard-panama-at-multiplaza-mall/booking?utm_source=google&utm_medium=cp&utm_campaign=990032582&gad_source=1&gclid=EAlalQobChMliej3ytO8jAMVxLNaBR2LLj2jEAAYAiAAEgJwDfd_BwE&ctTriggered=true	Tarifa Individual: USD 128.00 + 10% de IVA Tarifa Grupal: USD 1,536.00 + 10% de IVA

HOTEL	ESTRELLAS	DIRECCIÓN	TELÉFONO	TARIFAS POR NOCHE
Hotel Riu Panamá	4	Urb. Marbella - Ciudad de Panamá-Panamá	(+507) 378-9000 https://www.riu.com/es/hotel/panama/ciudad-de-panama/hotel-riu-plaza-panama	Tarifa Individual: USD 124.04 +10% de IVA Tarifa Grupal: USD 1,488.48 + 10% de IVA
Bristol Panamá  	4	Calle Aquilino De La Guardia, Bellavista, 0833-00321 Panamá, Panamá	(+507) 294-7878 https://www.bristolpanama.com/es	Tarifa Individual: USD 198.87 + 10% de IVA Tarifa Grupal: USD 2,386.44 + 10% de IVA
Hotel Hilton Panamá  	3	Avenida Balboa, Calle Aquilino De La Guardia	(+507) 280-8000 / 294-8000 https://www.hilton.com/en/locations/panama/panama-city/hilton-hotels	Tarifa Individual: USD 253.00 + 10% de IVA Tarifa Grupal: USD 3,036.00 + 10% de IVA
Plaza Paitilla Inn  	3	Via Italia Punta Paitilla Calle Winston Churchill	(+507) 208-0611 https://www.plazapaitillainn.com	Tarifa Individual, impuestos incluidos: USD 117.70 Tarifa Grupal por 3 noches + impuestos: USD 4,237.20
Waldorf Astoria  	5	Calle 47 Calle Uruguay.	(+507) 294-8000 https://www.hilton.com/en/?sourceCode=00081212&redirectURL=https%253A%252F%252Fsecure3.hilton.com%252Fen-US%252Fdt%252Fpreservation%252Fbook.htm%253FinputModule%253DHOTEL_SEARCH%2526ctyhocn%253DPTYTP%2526numRooms%253D1%2526numAdults%253D2%2526numChildren%253D0%2526arrivalDay%253D01%2526arrivalMonth%253D05%2526arrivalYear%253D2025%2526departureDay%253D02%2526departureMonth%253D05%2526departureYear%253D2025&adults=2&children=0&gad_source=1&gclid=EAlaQobChMIjs7eo9u8jAMVpp5aBR01-zC7EAQYBCABEGKaSvD_BwE	Tarifa Individual: USD 272.00 +10% de IVA. Tarifa Grupal: USD 3,264.00 + 10% de IVA
Las Americas Golden Tower  	5	Esquina de Marbella y Avenica Vasco Nuñez de Balboa,	(+507) 370-4600 https://www.lasamericasgoldentower.com/	Tarifa Individual: USD 200.00 + 10% de IVA Tarifa Grupal: USD 2,400.00 + 10% de IVA

HOTEL	ESTRELLAS	DIRECCIÓN	TELÉFONO	TARIFAS POR NOCHE
Sheraton Grand Panamá  	4	Vía Israel y Calle 77 San Francisco.	(+507) 305-5100 https://www.marriott.com/es/reservation/rateListMenu.mi	Tarifa Individual: USD 137.00 + 10% de IVA Tarifa Grupal: USD 1,644.00 + 10% de IVA
Aloft Panamá  	4	Vía Israel y Calle 77 San Francisco.	(+507) 282-6000 https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/ptyal-aloft-panama/overview/	Tarifa Individual: USD 118.00 + 10 % de IVA Tarifa Grupal: USD 1,416.00 + 10% de IVA

Participants are encouraged to make reservations directly with the hotel(s) in a timely manner.

8. Local transportation

For transportation between the airport and the hotel, the use of taxi services authorized by the airport is recommended. For transportation within the city, taxis recommended by the hotel are suggested. The Residence Inn by Marriott Panamá offers a taxi service at a cost of B/.38.00.

9. Health Care

For emergencies in Panamá, please call:
 Telephone Directory: 102
 National Police: 104
 Emergency Services: 911
 Fire Department: 103
 SINAPROC: *335 or 316-3200
 Red Cross: *455

10. Hospitals

Pacífica Salud

Telephone: (+507) 204-8184 / 204-8157 / 204-8159
 USA: 011-507-204-8157 / 8159

Location: Pacífica Boulevard and Vía Punta Darién, Panamá City

The Panamá Clinic

Telephone: (+507) 265-8800
 Location: Pacific Center, Tower B, 20th Floor

Hospital Paitilla

Telephone: (+507) 265-8800
 Location: Avenida Nacional

Hospital Nacional de Panamá

Telephone: (+507) 207-8100 and 306-3300
 Location: Avenida Cuba, between 38th and 39th Streets, Panamá City

Participants are strongly encouraged to obtain **international medical insurance**. Neither ICAO nor the Panama AAC shall be held responsible for any medical expenses incurred by a participant

11. Electricity

In Panama, electricity is 120 V with a frequency of 60 Hz. Power plugs are type A and B. If your devices are not compatible, it is recommended to bring an adapter.

12. Passport and Visa Requirements

- Tourist visa, authorized as applicable
- Return or onward travel ticket
- Proof of economic solvency of at least five hundred balboas (USD 500.00) or its equivalent in credit card, bank reference, employment letter, or traveler's checks, depending on nationality (Resolution 1017 bis of 22 March 2000)
- Passport or travel document valid for at least six (6) months at the time of visa issuance
- In some cases, the immigration officer may request proof of hotel reservation

13. Health Entry Requirements for Panama

Yellow fever vaccination is required for foreign nationals arriving from countries considered at risk (mainly South America and Africa).

14. Safety Recommendations

Standard safety precautions applicable to any city are recommended, such as carrying only necessary cash, avoiding the unnecessary display of valuable jewelry or mobile phones, using safe taxi services recommended by the hotel, and exchanging currency only at authorized exchange houses. UBER and BOLT platforms are also available for transportation. Cash withdrawals are recommended at ATMs located in shopping malls.

15. Dietary Restrictions

Participants are kindly requested to inform the organizers of any allergies or dietary restrictions so these can be considered for coffee breaks.

16. Main Shopping Centers in Panama

Multiplaza Pacific

Location: Vía Israel, Punta Pacífica, Panama City

One of the city's most exclusive shopping malls, featuring luxury stores, restaurants, and entertainment options.

Albrook Mall

Location: Albrook, Panama City

With more than 700 stores, it is one of the largest shopping malls in Latin America, offering a wide variety of shops, restaurants, and entertainment.

Metromall Panama

Location: Avenida Domingo Díaz, Cerro Viento, Panama City

An excellent option for last-minute shopping, with numerous stores, restaurants, and a cinema.

17. Points of Interest in Panama City and the Metropolitan Area**Casco Antiguo**

This historic district of Panama City is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, featuring beautiful colonial streets, plazas, and churches.

Location: Approximately 10 minutes from downtown.

Panama Canal

One of the world's engineering wonders, connecting the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans and a major tourist attraction.

Location: Accessible through the Miraflores Locks, approximately 15 km from the city center.

Biomuseo

An interactive museum designed by architect Frank Gehry, exploring Panama's unique biodiversity.

Location: Amador Causeway, Panama City

Telephone: (+507) 314-0733

Amador Causeway

Offers panoramic views of the city, the Panama Canal, and Naos Island; ideal for biking or walking.

Location: Connects Panama City with the islands of Panama Bay.

Metropolitan Park

An excellent place for hiking and enjoying nature without leaving the city.

Location: Outskirts of the urban area, near the Panama Canal

Telephone: (+507) 314-5243

18. Tips and Taxes in Panama

Value Added Tax (VAT): The VAT rate in Panama is 7%.

Tips: While tipping is optional, it is common to leave a 10% tip in restaurants and service establishments.

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