



**Fourth Meeting of the CAFSAT Network management committee
(CNMC/4)**

Ninth Meeting of the FANS I/A Interoperability Team (SAT/FIT/9)

**Nineteenth Meeting on the improvement of Air Traffic Services over the
South Atlantic (SAT/19)**

Buenos Aires, Argentina, 4 to 8 August 2014

GENERAL INFORMATION

(Presented by the Secretariat)

1. Place and date

The Fourth Meeting of the CAFSAT Network management committee (CNMC/4), Ninth Meeting of the FANS I/A Interoperability Team (SAT/FIT/9) and Nineteenth Meeting on the improvement of Air Traffic Services over the South Atlantic (SAT/19) will be held in Buenos Aires, Argentina, from 4 to 8 August 2014, at the Argenta Tower Hotel.

2. Address of the events

Argenta Tower Hotel
Juncal 868 – Ciudad de Buenos Aires
Fax: +54 11 4326-7090
Tel: +54 11 4325-4100
Web: www.argenta-suites.com.ar

3. Contacts

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4. **Registration of participants**

Participants are requested to submit the registration form to the SAM Regional Office as soon as possible. A subsequent registration will take place at the corresponding registration desk on 4 August 2014, from 09:00 to 10:00 hours.

5. **Opening**

The opening session will take place on 4 August 2014 at 10:00 hours, at Argenta Tower Hotel, underground.

6. **Documentation link and languages**

The events will be carried out in English and Spanish, with simultaneous interpretation services. The documentation will be presented in English and posted on the ICAO SAM Regional Office website as soon as available; participants should check our website frequently to download the documentation. All participants must bring their own set of documentation (hard copy or electronically in a laptop) to the meetings' venue; there will be no hard copies available for distribution.

The instructions to log on the SAM website are:

- a) <http://www.icao.int/SAM>;
- b) Click on “*English*” (upper right corner of the welcome page);
- c) Select “*Meetings*”, located at the left panel of the South American (SAM) Office welcome page; and
- d) Look for and click on “*CNMC/4, SAT/FIT/9 & SAT/19 meetings*” (events are ordered by date).

7. **Temperature**

In July, the temperature in Buenos Aires varies from 6°C to 15°C. The average humidity is of 75%.

8. **Money exchange**

The national currency is the Peso Argentino. It is preferable you exchange your currency at banks or money exchange houses, to avoid changing money in the street. The “Banco Nación” is at Ezeiza airport, which is open 24 hours a day, year round. Currently, the exchange is approximately \$ 8.0380 Pesos per US\$1.00 (purchase) and \$ 8.1380 Pesos per US\$1.00 (sale).

9. **Credit cards**

Credit cards such as Visa, Diners, Master Card y American Express, are usually welcome in hotels, shopping centres and restaurants. Most stores and restaurants accept payment in US-Dollars.

10. **Lodging**

The hotels suggested hereunder provide special rates for all participants:

Hotel	Address	Room (US\$)	Tax (IVA)* %
Argenta Tower Hotel & Suites	Juncal 868 Tel.: +54 11 4325-4100 (contact Ms. Romina Userpater ventas@argenta-tower.com.ar	99.00 (Standard)	21%
Feir's Park Hotel	Esmeralda 1366 Tel.: +54 11 4327-1900	220.00 (Studio)	21%
Hotel NH Crillón	Av. Santa Fe 796 Tel.: +54 11 4310-2000	110.00 (Standard)	
		Junior/Standard (Pesos argentinos)	
Suipacha Suites	Suipacha 1235 Tel.: +54 11 4819-3600	830.00 / 990.00	
Dolmen Hotel	Suipacha 1079 Tel.: +54 11 4315-7117 (contact Ms. Victoria – Ventas (sales)	620.00 / 740.00	21%
Gran Hotel Buenos Aires	Marcelo T. de Alvear 767 Tel.: +54 11 4312-3003	688.00 / 935 00	

NOTE: Hotel reservations are to be requested directly and well in advance, to the hotel of your choice.

11. **Hotel reservations**

Reservations are to be made mentioning the **CNMC/4, SAT/FI/9 and SAT/19 meetings**. You will be required to indicate your credit card type (Visa, Amex, etc.) and validity to guarantee the reservation.

12. **Transport**

It is recommended that authorized taxis be taken from the airport to the hotel. The taxis authorized to transport passengers to their respective hotels are found upon leaving the customs building.

13. **Emergency telephone numbers**

General information:	110
Fire fighters:	100
Police:	101 / 911
Comando Radioeléctrico:	4370-5911
Police Headquarters switchboard:	4370-5800 / 6600 / 4346-7000 / 5700, 4809-6100
Medical emergencies:	107 SAME

14. **Hospitals**

Participants should count with a valid medical insurance coverage.

In the event of need, the following hospitals are suggested:

HOSPITAL BRITÁNICO BARRIO NORTE	Marcelo T. de Alvear 1573 Tel.: +54 11 4812-0040
SANATORIO ANCHORENA	Dr. Tomás de Anchorena 1872 Tel.: +54 11 4808-5400
HOSPITAL FERNÁNDEZ	Av. Cerviño 3356

15. **Commercial hours**

From 09:00 to 21:00 hours, approximately.

16. **Electricity**

2200 Volts / 50 hz.

17. **Airport tax**

The airport tax is mostly included in air ticket. Nevertheless, it can be calculated in US\$ 37.00.

Exempted are:

- a) Foreigners visiting or in transit in Colombia, when the stay does not exceed sixty (60) days; and
- b) Those travelling with diplomatic passport.

18. **Passport, visa and vaccination requirements**

To enter the country, an updated passport and visa are requested; however, it is recommended to contact well before your departure the Argentina Embassy or Consulate in your country, to enquire on this requirement. Note should be taken that it is not possible to obtain entry visas upon arrival in Argentina. Please also verify whether any vaccination is required.

19. **Other**

The purchasing tax is included in the consumer prices. Tips at restaurants, etc., are approximately 10% of the total, but they are mostly already included in the overall price.

Buenos Aires has a very good taxi service. Tips are 10% of the total amount.