



*International Civil Aviation Organization*  
CAR/SAM Regional Planning and Implementation Group (GREPECAS)  
**Tenth Meeting of the GREPECAS Aeronautical Meteorology Subgroup  
(AERMETSG/10)**  
Buenos Aires, Argentina, 19 – 23 October 2009

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

(Presented by the Secretariat)

### 1. Site and dates of the meeting

The Tenth Meeting of GREPECAS Aeronautical Meteorology Subgroup will take place in Hotel Pestana Buenos Aires, in the Ciudad Autonoma of Buenos Aires, Argentina, from 19 to 23 October 2009.

### 2. Hotel address and contact information

Hotel Pestana Buenos Aires is located in Av. Carlos Pellegrini 877, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Telephone: +5411 5239 1000  
Fax: +5411 5239 1100  
E-mail: [reservas@pestanabuenosaires.com.ar](mailto:reservas@pestanabuenosaires.com.ar)  
Website: [www.pestana.com](http://www.pestana.com)

### 3. Registration of Participants

Participants are requested to register in advance completing the enclosed **Registration Form** and submitting it to the SAM Regional Office as soon as possible. A subsequent registration will take place during the first day of the event, between 08:00 and 09:00 hours, on Monday 19 October 2009, in the Registration Desk of the Meeting. For identification purposes participants are required to use the identification badge, which will be provided during their registration.

### 4. Opening of the meeting

The opening session of the meeting will take place on Monday 19 October 2009, at 09:00 hours at Hotel Pestana Buenos Aires.

### 5. Schedule of the Meeting

Monday 19 October	0800 – 1500 hrs.
Tuesday 20 to Thursday 22 October	0900 – 1500 hrs.
Friday 23 October	1000 – 1330 hrs.

**6. Language and documents**

The meeting will be carried out in Spanish and English, with simultaneous interpretation services. The pertinent documentation will be published at the ICAO SAM Regional Office website: <http://www.lima.icao.int>, option GREPECAS, (username: carsamrpg; password: ccretkode). No printed documentation will be distributed during the event.

**7. Additional information**

Additional information regarding temperature in Buenos Aires during the month of October, as well as the exchange rate, credit cards, banking hours of business, visas, lodging, transportation and other matters related with the city of Buenos Aires, can be found in **Appendix A** to this information paper.

**8. Electricity**

220 Volts/50Hz.

**9. Airport tax**

Airport tax is US\$ 20.00.

**INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION**  
**TENTH MEETING OF AERONAUTICAL METEOROLOGY SUBGROUP- GREPECAS**  
**19 - 23 October 2009**  
**Buenos Aires, República Argentina**

**INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS**



This document contains additional information provided by the Meteorological Service of Argentina for those attending the above meeting to be held in Buenos Aires (Republic of Argentina) from 19 to 23 October 2009.

**Information about the Meeting:**

The Tenth Meeting of the GREPECAS Aeronautical Meteorology Subgroup will be carried out in Hotel Pestana Buenos Aires, located in Calle Carlos Pellegrini 877, Ciudad Autonoma of Buenos Aires.

The opening session will be held on 19 October at 09:00 hours and the badges and registration forms will be handled from 08:00 hours.

## Climatological data for October

Parameter	Period	Value
Mean temperature (°C)	1961-2000	17,2
Mean max. temp. (°C)	1961-2000	22,1
Temp. min. absolute (°C)	2-10-1911	-2.0
Precipitation (mm)	1961-2000	119
Temp max. absolute. (°C)	24-10-2006	34.0
Mean precipitation (mm)	1961-2000	1.190

Phenomenon	Frequency (days)
Precipitation	10
Clear sky	10
Wind 44 Km/hs	4
Fog	0,3
Overcast sky	7
Storm	5

## Hotel accommodation

The election of the hotel is responsibility of each participant, to assist in its election, a list of hotel is enclosed. In case of staying at **Hotel Buenos Aires Pestana**, the National Meteorological Service has ensured corporative rates:

### Hotels with corporative rate

#### CONCORDE BUENOS AIRES HOTEL

**Address:** 25 de Mayo 658 877  
Buenos Aires (C.P1002)  
**Phone:** (+5411) 4313-2018  
**Fax:** (+5411) 51289005  
**Email:** [reservas@concordehotel.com.ar](mailto:reservas@concordehotel.com.ar)

**Single and double room U\$S 65 including breakfast and taxes.**

**Web page:** [www.concordehotel.com](http://www.concordehotel.com)

In order to make the reservation the hotel will request the credit card number and the security code.

#### HOTEL PESTANA

**Address:** Av. Carlos Pellegrini 877  
Ciudad Autónoma de Buenos Aires (C.P.1002ABP)  
**Phone:** (+54-11) 5239 – 1000  
**Fax:** (+54-11) 5239 – 1100  
**E-mail:** [reservas@pestanabuenosaires.com.ar](mailto:reservas@pestanabuenosaires.com.ar)

**Single and double room U\$S 145,00 including breakfast and taxes.**

**Web page:** [www.pestana.com](http://www.pestana.com)

In order to make the reservation the hotel will request the credit card number and the security code.

All the participants who wish to lodge at the Hotel Pestana Buenos Aires will have to send the Registration Form before **15 of September, 2009** to the following mail: [susyb@smn.gov.ar](mailto:susyb@smn.gov.ar).

## **Hotels with no corporative rate**

### **REGENTE PALACE HOTEL**

**Address:** Suipacha 964  
Ciudad Autónoma de Buenos Aires (C.P.1002ABP)  
**Phone:** (+54-11) 4328 - 6800  
**Fax:** (+54-11) 4328 - 7460  
**E-mail:** [inforegente.com](mailto:inforegente.com)

**Single and doble room U\$S 140,40 including breakfast and taxes.**

**Web page:** [www.regente.com](http://www.regente.com)

In order to make the reservation the hotel will request the credit card number and the security code.

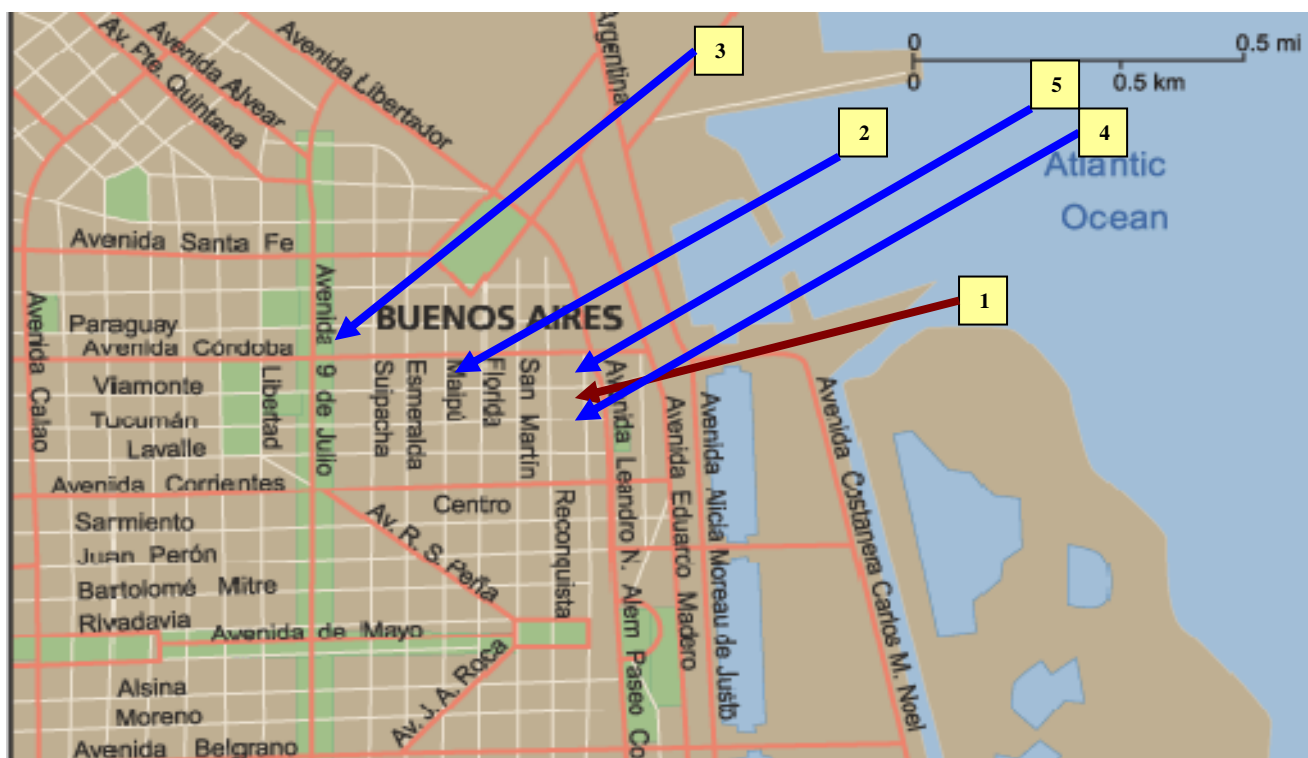
### **REGAL PACIFIC**

**Address:** 25 de Mayo 764  
Ciudad Autónoma de Buenos Aires (C.P.1002ABP)  
**Phone:** (+54-11) 4310 - 7000  
**Fax:** (+54-11) 4310 - 7001  
**E-mail:** [reservas@com.ar](mailto:reservas@com.ar)

**Single and double room U\$S 242,00 con impuesto y desayuno incluido**

**Web page:** [www.regal-pacific.com](http://www.regal-pacific.com)

In order to make the reservation the hotel will request the credit card number and the security code.



**Legend**

- 1.- National Meteorological Service, 25 de Mayo 658
- 2.- Regente Hotel
- 3.- Hotel Pestana Buenos Aires
- 4.- Concorde Hotel
- 5.- Hotel Regal Pacific

***Reservations should be made directly by each participant to the e-mail or fax of the hotel. In case of staying at the hotel of the meeting you should mention in the e-mail that you will be attending the meeting of the National Meteorological Service. We suggest to make your reservation on time, in view that October is a high tourist season in Buenos Aires.***

## **Airports**

- ***Ministro Pistarini International Airport – Ezeiza, Buenos Aires***

Most international air companies flying to Argentina arrive in the Ministro Pistarini International Airport (Ezeiza), which is 35 km from the centre of Buenos Aires. More information about Argentine airports can be found on the website [www.aa2000.com.ar](http://www.aa2000.com.ar).

- ***Jorge Newbery Airport – Aeroparque***

Although most international air companies flying to Argentina arrive in the Ministro Pistarini International Airport (Ezeiza), some companies may make a stopover and change aeroplanes at the Jorge Newbery Airport (Aeroparque).

## **Transport to and from the Ministro Pistarini International Airport, Ezeiza**

### **1. Transport company**

"Manuel Tienda León" (bus and taxi)

Terminal: Av. Madero esq. San Martín, Buenos Aires

Website: [www.tiendaleon.com.ar](http://www.tiendaleon.com.ar)

- Travel on a Manuel Tienda León bus from the airport to the centre of Buenos Aires costs approximately Arg\$ 90 (credit cards accepted), and a transfer service exists from the Manuel Tienda León Terminal to the hotel costing Arg\$ 10.
  
- The daily scheduled service is as follows:
  - From the Ezeiza International Airport every 30 minutes from 6.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m;
  - After 9.00 p.m, every 45 minutes;
  - From the centre of Buenos Aires to Ezeiza International Airport, every 30 minutes from 5.00 a.m. to 8.30 p.m., with two additional times at 4.00 a.m. and 9.30 p.m.;
  - From the Jorge Newbery Airport, every hour from 9.00 a.m to 6.00 p.m., and on request as from 8.00 p.m.

### **3. Taxis/rented car with driver**

Taxis and rented cars with drivers are available at the airport to take participants to the centre of Buenos Aires at a cost of approximately \$ 60 to \$ 90. For security reasons, the use of the services of companies inside the airport is recommended.

## **Shopping**

IVA refund: If national products for more than Arg\$100 (per invoice) have been acquired in the stores under the "Global Refund" system, the refund of the IVA tax (Impuesto al Valor Agregado) can be obtained at the airport.

It is important to request the invoice to obtain the refund.

## **Visa formalities**

Entry visas may be necessary for participants of certain nationalities.

An entry visa cannot be obtained in Argentina, but must be requested in the participants' respective countries. If the country does not have an Argentine consulate, the visa may be obtained through the consular office of the country representing the Argentine Republic. The Argentine Ministry of Foreign Affairs has a website containing information to assist travellers at [www.cancilleria.gov.ar](http://www.cancilleria.gov.ar).

## **Banking**

The official currency of Argentina is the peso (Arg\$), banknote denominations being issued for 2, 5, 10, 20, 50 and 100 pesos and coins for 1 peso and 50, 25, 10 and 5 centavos. Money can be exchanged in banks, at the airport, in some hotels and at authorized exchange agencies, the exchange rate is currently approximately US\$ 1 = Arg\$ 3,75 but

can change from this month to October . Traveller's cheques can be exchanged in banks in Buenos Aires. The most widely accepted credit cards are American Express, Visa, Diners and MasterCard.

The opening times of banks and exchange agencies are 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. from Monday to Friday. Participants who arrive during a weekend can exchange money at the airport.

## **Information about the city of Buenos Aires**

The Autonomous City of Buenos Aires, Federal Capital of the Argentine Republic, is one of the world's largest and most sophisticated cities, with 11 million inhabitants.

Visitors from abroad can enjoy the city's active cultural life, with a great variety of attractions such as parks and gardens, historical monuments, churches and convents, museums, cultural centres, shopping malls, theatres, big hotels, excellent restaurants with refined international or typical cuisine, and the traditional tango shows. More information about Buenos Aires can be found at [www.bue.gov.ar](http://www.bue.gov.ar) and city maps at <http://usig.buenosaires.gov.ar/images/estaticos>.

## **Contacts**

The following serve as contact point for the Local Organizing Committee staff of the National Meteorological Service will:

e-mail: [aermet10@smn.gov.ar](mailto:aermet10@smn.gov.ar)

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