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ICAO MRTD EVENT 2013



Regional Seminar on MRTDs, Biometrics and Identification Management
9 to 11 July 2013, Philipsburg, Sint Maarten, Dutch West Indies

ACCOMMODATION AND INFORMATION

Seminar Venue

Sonesta Maho Beach Resort

1 Rhine Road, Maho Bay
Sint Maarten

Website: www.sonesta.com/mahobeach/

Organizer

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Attendance Fee

FREE for government agencies, government-owned companies, academia and NGOs

US\$ 1995.00 for industry (private sector) participants.

Seminar participants make their own travel and hotel arrangements and cover their living expenses.

Registration

Participants are requested to **register in advance online before 29 June 2013**.

Places are limited due to the size of the conference hall. Participants will be registered on a first come first served basis. We encourage you to register for the Seminar at your earliest convenience.

Participants will be required to *reconfirm* their registration on site before the Seminar and collect their passes and Seminar materials. Registration Desk will be available at the Seminar venue **on Monday, 8 July from 4:00 to 6:00 and Tuesday, 9 July from 08.00–12.00**.

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Accommodation

For the sake of convenience, many participants may choose to stay at the Sonesta Maho Beach Resort where the Regional Seminar will take place.

[Sonesta Maho Beach Resort](#)

1 Rhine Road, Maho Bay

Sint Maarten

Tel: +1 800-223-0757

Fax: +1721-545-3180

Email: lbrowne@mahobeach.com cc: rcoleman@mahobeach.com

The organizers have pre-booked a number of rooms for Seminar participants at Sonesta Maho Beach Resort. Room bookings are per person, per night, available on a first come first served basis.

All-Inclusive Plan

Room Category: Run of House

Reservation Booking Code: ICAO13

Single \$195.00 or Double \$ 125.00 per person (\$250.00 total)

***Rates are valid for Seminar Participants three (3) days prior to and following Seminar.**

Other recommended hotel options in Phillipsburg are:

[Flamingo Beach Resort Studio Villa](#)

Pelican Key, Simpson Bay

6 Billy Folly Road

Sint Maarten

Tel: + 1 721-544-3900

Fax: + 1 721-544-4892

E-mail: FlamingoBeachResort@diamondresorts.com

Online Reservation: [online](#)

Special rate US\$89 per night plus tax for ICAO Seminar participants from 9 to 11 July 2013

Flamingo Beach Resort is quite close to the Seminar venue

[Simpson Bay Resort](#)

Billy Folly Road #37

Sint Maarten

Tel: + 1 721-544-2503

Booking code: SBR-ICAO 2013

E-mail:

mjavois@simpsonbayresort.com or

mperosa@royalresorts.com

Jr. Suite \$178.20

Villa \$297 P/N-sleeps 6

Suite \$237.60 P/N-sleeps 4

Please check hotel websites for complimentary airport to hotel shuttles.

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For local travel, taxis are plentiful in Phillipsburg. Please book them at your hotel reception.

Languages

The Seminar will be carried out in English with simultaneous interpretation in French and Spanish.

Visas

Sint Maarten has a rather liberal admissions policy and most Seminar participants will not require a visa. However, the holders of some passports will need a visa and have to obtain it prior to arrival, at the nearest embassy of the Netherlands.

Please check carefully if you might require a visa to travel to Sint Maarten. If you do, apply early as visa processing may take quite some time.

St. Maarten Tourism Bureau offers general information [about Sint Maarten entry requirements and visa exemptions](#).

Detailed information about Sint Maarten entry and visa requirements is available at the website of the [Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs](#).

Visa regulations may change at a short notice. We encourage the participants to check with the nearest Dutch Embassy or Consulate in order to get official advice whether they may require a visa.

Visitor Information and Facts about the Country

[St.Maarten Tourist Office](#) or visit <http://www.vacationstmaarten.com>

[Fascinating St.Maarten](#)

[Caribbean Parts of the Kingdom of the Netherlands](#)

[Lonely Planet Guide – Sint Maarten](#)

[St. Maarten Hospitality & Trade Association](#)

[Map of Sint Maarten](#)

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