

INFORMATION BULLETIN



***ITU Regional Seminar on the Economic and Financial aspects of
Telecommunications/ICTs
and Meeting of the Study Group 3 Regional Group for Latin America and
the Caribbean (SG3RG-LAC)***

Mexico D.F., Mexico, 19-22 March 2013

1.-PLACE OF MEETING

Cancilleria

Secretaria de Relaciones Exteriores

The Foreign Ministry of Mexico opened its new headquarters in the historic center of the capital, whose “smart” building replaced the iconic and historic tower of Tlatelolco, which for 40 years hosted the Mexican diplomacy. The inauguration of the building, equipped with the latest technology and located in the Plaza Juarez, of the capital, was led by former Mexican President Vicente Fox.

Plaza Juarez #20

Centro Histórico, México, D.F



2.- LOCAL CONTACT

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3. HOTEL ACCOMMODATION AND RESERVATIONS

In the surrounding area of the Cancilleria building there are hotels ranging from 3 to 5 stars in which you will find the best service during your stay in Mexico City. They are shown in the table below. It is important that you make your reservation as soon as possible. These must include a credit card number. You will receive a confirmation email when your booking has been accepted by the hotel. Please be advised that there will be no hotel shuttle to the Cancilleria building so it is recommended to use the secure taxi service provided by the hotel.

HOTEL	CATEGORY	CONTACT	RATE	COMMENTS
<p>Hilton Mexico City Reforma Av. Juarez #70, Centro tel. +52 (55)5130 5329 Alejandra.chavez@hilton.com check-in 15:00, check-out 12:00 Located at 500 m, 10 minutes, from Cancilleria</p>	5 Stars	<p>Reservations code: "SG3-RG-LAC COFETEL"</p> <p>Alejandra Chávez tel. +52 (55)5130 5329 alejandra.chavez@hilton.com</p>	<p>Standard single \$129.00 USD</p> <p>Standard single with breakfast included \$149.00 USD</p>	<p>1.- This hotel is 100% non- smoking; 2.- Taxes to consider are 16% IVA and 3% ISH</p>
<p>Meliá México Reforma Paseo de la Reforma No. 1, Col. Tabacalera, tel. +52 (55) 5128 5020 reservas@melia-mexico.com.mx idadiaz@melia-mexico.com.mx check-in 15:00, check-out 13:00 Located at 1.5 km, 20 minutes, from Cancillería</p>	4 Stars	<p>Reservations code is "Seminario Regional de la UIT/COFETEL" Number: 417753</p> <p>Ivonne Diaz tel. +52 (55) 5128 5020, reservas@melia-mexico.com.mx idadiaz@melia-mexico.com.mx</p>	<p>Standard single \$152.00 USD</p> <p>Standard double \$168.00 USD</p>	<p>1.- Taxes to consider are 16% IVA and 3% ISH</p> <p>2.- These rates include breakfast</p>
<p>Hotel Emporio Reforma Paseo de la Reforma No. 124 tel. +52 (55)5566 7766 mexico.reservaciones@hotelesemporio.com check-in 15:00, check-out 13:00 Located at 2.1 km, 25 minutes, from Cancilleria</p>	4 Stars	<p>Reservations code: COFETEL</p> <p>tel. +52 (55)5566 7766</p> <p>mexico.reservaciones@hotelesemporio.com</p>	<p>Standard single \$99.00 USD</p> <p>Standard double \$122.50 USD</p>	<p>1.- Taxes to consider are 16% IVA and 2.5% ISH</p> <p>2.- Rates include Buffet Breakfast</p>

4.- GENERAL INFORMATION

Mexico City, formerly known as the “City of Palaces”, was founded in 1525 by Spanish conquerors, who, after defeating the Aztecs, built a new city on the ruins of Tenochtitlan, where the Aztec empire was located.

Like in a mosaic, each one of the main areas of Mexico City has a great cultural syncretism. In them, archaeological sites, colonial buildings, contemporary buildings, cultural centers and parks share the same space. This impressive city also has a wide variety of museums including the National Museum of Anthropology and History, internationally recognized, the National Museum of Art, the Blue House of Diego and Frida Kahlo and the Museum of Modern Art.

Beacuse the city is located right in the Central Highlands at an altitude of 2,240 meters above sea level, its residents enjoy a temperate climate for most of the year. Besides being the economic heart of the country, Mexico City is the capital of Mexico and home of the Federal Powers of the Union. For more information please see <http://www.visitmexico.com>

✓ National Currency and Banks

The Mexican peso is the official currency of Mexico. The updated exchange rate is available on the website of Bank of Mexico <http://www.banxico.org.mx/>
Banks are open from 09.00 to 16.00 from Monday to Friday.

✓ Climate

Temperatures in Mexico City during March oscillate between 9°C y 22°C, with a chance of precipitation of 30%.

✓ Electricity

In Mexico it is used an electric power of 110-120 Volts / 60 Hz

North America Grounded NEMA 5-15	Japan Non-grounded JIS C 8303	Europe German style CEE7/4 Schuko	Europe French style Schuko	Europe/Russia Non-grounded CEE7/16 Europlug	Great Britain Grounded BS-1363	Great Britain "Shaver socket" BS-4573
Australia/China Grounded AS-3112	Italy Grounded CEI 23-16	Switzerland Grounded SEV-1011	Denmark Grounded SRAF 1962/DB	Israel Grounded SI 32 (IS 16A-R)	India Grounded BS-546 "Small"	South Africa Grounded BS-546 "Large"

✓ **Language**

Spanish is the official language

✓ **Mobile phone in Mexico**

Important – Mobile phone in Mexico:

Phones that can be bought in Mexico are locked and they only work with the SIM card assigned. You can use your own mobile phone in Mexico with a local SIM card as long as the phone is not locked to a specific SIM card.

Please note that most telecommunications providers in Europe, Middle East and Asia use bands of 900 MHz and 1800 MHz, while in Mexico are used bands of 850 MHz and 1900 MHz. To use your own mobile phone in Mexico, you must ensure your phone operates in the 850 MHz and 1900 MHz bands.

✓ Passports and visas

Nationals from other countries traveling to Mexico should be in possession of a valid passport. In order to complete the visa requirements, participants are advised to consult the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the host country <http://www.sre.gob.mx/>

Those interested may also seek information, contacting the Embassy or Consulate of Mexico in their countries. Participants requiring visas must obtain these before traveling to Mexico.

✓ Eligible Taxis

This service offers convenience and security while in Mexico City; these are the only taxis authorized by the Ministry of Communications and Transport (SCT) of the Federal Government. They operate 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

✓ Information of Rates and Collections

➤ SERVICIO DE EXCELENCIA

Phone: (55) 2598-3531 and (55)2598-3341, <http://www.taxisexcelencia.com>

➤ CONFORT

Phone: (55)5615-4658 and (55)5615-3447, <http://www.confort.9f.com/>

➤ NEW IMAGE

Phone: (55) 8421-3701, 8421-3702, 5716-1616, <http://www.taxisdelaeropuerto.com.mx/>

➤ PORTO TAXI EJECUTIVO

Phone: (55) 5786-8993 and (55)5786-8212, <http://portotaximexico.com/>

➤ SITIO 300 YELLOW CAB

Phone:(55) 5785-7949, <http://www.taxisyellowcabaeropuerto.com.mx/>