



## Practical information for participants

**Regional Youth CT Innovations Training Workshop, Antigua and Barbuda:**

**8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2014**

### 1. Introduction

The Regional Youth CT Innovations Training Workshop will take place from the 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2014 at JOLLY Beach Resort, Antigua & Barbuda. The workshop is organized by Telecommunication Development Bureau of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) in collaboration with, and supported by the Caribbean National Telecommunications Organization (CANTO). The workshop will be providing the youths with an opportunity to understand and discuss new technologies and applications. They will be able to address implications of ICT use and adoption with an emphasis on Innovative technologies. They will examine the role that markets play in the development and distribution of ICT infrastructure and services and the conditions that lead to reduced investment risk and increased investment in the ICT sector. It will challenge participants to develop ideas for ICT-enabled, socially responsible businesses and programs that can be initiated by young people and introducing the fundamentals of developing business plans and team proposals. The workshop will address Youth Employment and Entrepreneurship

#### **The objectives of the workshop are:**

- To raise awareness on ICT initiatives / opportunities available and how ICT applications can assist youths, in especially their developing self-employment initiatives.
- To give the youths some idea of the type of skills required to successfully start and run a small business;
- To provide the youths with an opportunity to understand and discuss new technologies and applications and the implications of ICT use and adoption with an emphasis on Innovative technologies for connecting rural areas
- examine the role that markets play in the development and distribution of ICT infrastructure and services.

## 2. Participation

The workshop is specifically aimed at youths who want to pursue a career in the ICT industry, those who have businesses in the ICT industry or those who want to gain ICT related skills.

## 3. Date & Venue

**8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2014**

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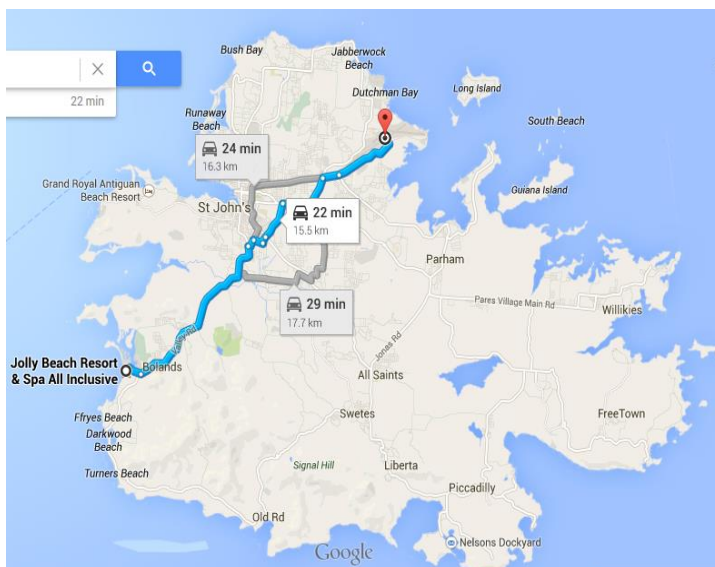
website: [www.jollybeachresort.com](http://www.jollybeachresort.com)

***At the venue free Wi-Fi internet access will be available in the Workshop room.***

## 4. Registration

Registration can be done by sending the registration form to the International Telecommunication Union: [sheron.small@itu.int](mailto:sheron.small@itu.int) preferably on or before 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2014. (See Annex 3)

## 5. Airport Transfers



V.C. Bird International Airport is the main hub for LIAT. It bustles round the clock, accommodating a steady stream of large commercial aircraft and private jets. V.C. Bird International is about 15 Km or 22 min drive from Jolly Beach Resort. From the airport one must travel in a south-westerly direction.

**Participants will be responsible for transfers to and from airports.**

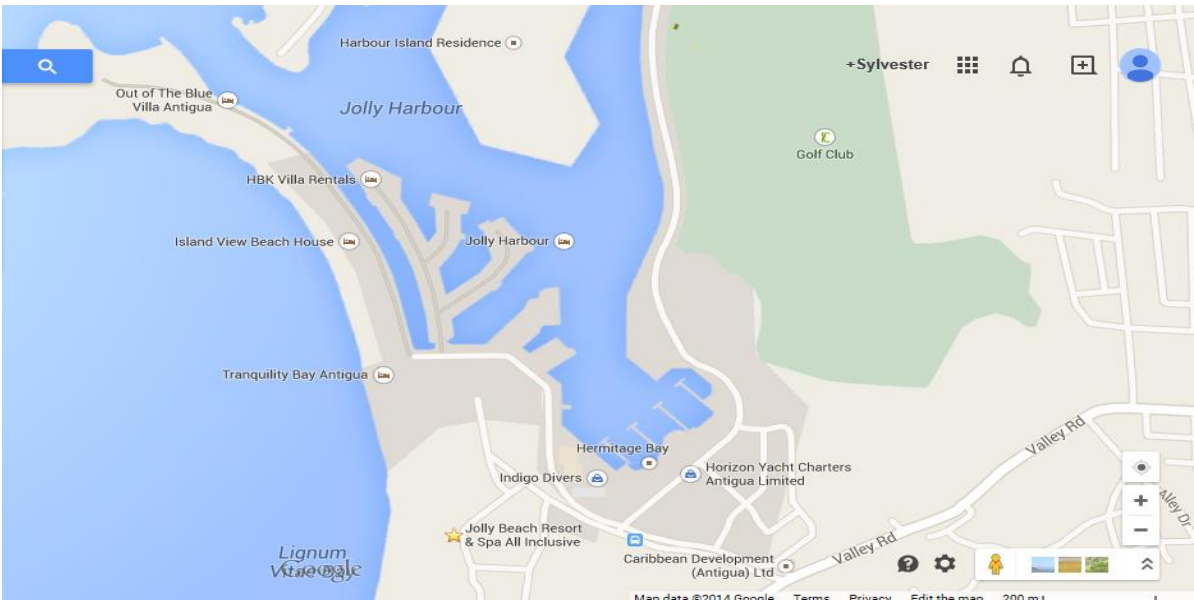
**6. Accommodation & Reservations**

The following hotels are recommended.

**N.B.: All reservations are to be undertaken by the participant or by the Administration, organization or Agency which is being represented**

Hotel	Contact	Accommodation (Rooms)
<p><b>JOLLY BEACH RESORT</b></p>	<p>+268 462 0061;                      FAX: (268) 562 2117;                      email: <a href="mailto:info@jollybeachresort.com">info@jollybeachresort.com</a>                      website: <a href="http://www.jollybeachresort.com">www.jollybeachresort.com</a></p>	<p><b>ALL Inclusive</b></p> <p><b>Standard room (1 King Bed or 2 Twin beds):</b>                      US\$180 per night based on single occupancy</p> <p><b>Superior room (1 King Bed or 2 Queen beds):</b>                      US\$210 per night based on single occupancy  <i>Rates are inclusive of 22.5% government taxes and service charge, food and house branded beverages, entertainment and non-motorized watersports.</i></p> <hr/> <p><b>ROOMS ONLY</b></p> <p><b>Standard room (1 King Bed or 2 Twin beds):</b>                      US\$125 per night based on single /double occupancy</p> <p><b>Superior room (1 King Bed or 2 Queen beds):</b>                      US\$151 per night based on single/double occupancy</p> <p><i>Rates are inclusive of 22.5% government taxes and service charge.</i></p> <p><b>Meal Plan Options:</b> US\$20 Breakfast, US\$30 Lunch, US\$45 Dinner</p>

**Blown-up Map segment of the immediate JOLLY BEACH Resort locale**



## 7. Time Zone

Antigua & Barbuda is on Atlantic Standard Time (AST) or UCT/GMT – 4 hours

## 8. Weather

The islands enjoy a very pleasant balmy tropical climate which remains warm and relatively dry throughout the year, with relatively little variance. Temperatures range from lows of 22°C (72°F) to highs of 40°C (104°F) all year round, with October to January being the hottest time of year, staying in the region of 30°C (86°F) to 35°C (95°F).

**The conference room where the workshop will be held is air-conditioned.**

## 9. Banking

Antigua & Barbuda's currency is the Eastern Caribbean Dollar. US Dollars, Euros and Pound Sterling are widely accepted and can be exchanged at the airport or any bank for local currency. Visa and MasterCard are also widely accepted. There are four banks within distance of the workshop venue, Bank of Nova Scotia, CIBC First Caribbean International Bank, Royal Bank of Canada, RBTT Bank among others. **ATMs are available on the island, with more found in the major resorts.**


Opening hours for banks are:

Monday to Thursday from 8h00 to 15h00

Friday from 8h00 to 14h00

There are no lunch breaks

**Eastern Caribbean (EC) Currency Bank Notes in circulation**

 US Dollar	2.7169
 Euro	3.4385
 British Pound	4.3552

The EC currency is stable and rate changes over a two (2) month period are very marginal

*Rates as at 16:00 AST (UCT/GMT) - 4 hours 28/10/2014.*



## 10. Airline Reservations and Reconfirmation of Return Flight

International flights such as British Airways, Virgin Atlantic, and American Airlines operate regular services to and from V.C. Bird International Airport in Antigua. Regional Airlines such as LIAT and

Caribbean Airlines operate daily services into this regional hub. Airport Taxes are included in the ticket price.

## 11. Utilities

### Electricity

The voltage used in Antigua is 240 volts at 50Hz. Hotels are usually wired with both 240 at 50Hz and 110 volts at 60Hz.

### Telecommunications

The telecommunications providers are:

- Antigua Public Utilities Authority (APUA),
- LIME which offers landline, internet, mobile and subscriber television services;
- Digicel which offers mobile services;
- Karib Cable which offers internet and subscriber television services.
- ***At the venue free Wi-Fi Internet access will be available in the training room.***

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