



## *Regional Consultation*

# *Planetary Security in the Caribbean Region: A roadmap to Climate Resilience*

**13<sup>th</sup> December 2018**  
**Renaissance Aruba Resort & Casino**  
**Aruba**

## ***Information Note-Delegates***



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**Welcome to the Regional Consultation on Climate and Planetary Security in the Caribbean Region. We hope that this consultation would be a rewarding and valuable experience for you.**

## Consultation Location: Aruba



Aruba is an autonomous partner within the Kingdom of the Netherlands and has a population of approximately 104,000 inhabitants. The official languages are Dutch and Papiamentu, but English and Spanish are also very widely spoken.

The island is 21 miles (33 km) long, 6 miles (9 km) wide and has an area of about 75 square miles (193 square km). Aruba is mainly flat with a few hills and is renowned for its white sandy beaches.

**Conference Organisers:** The Regional Consultation on Climate and Planetary Security in the Caribbean is a signature event of the Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency (CDEMA) in collaboration with the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Aruba Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Development of SIDS, the Clingendael Institute and Planetary Security Initiative.

## Visa Requirements:

Delegates attending the Regional Consultation will be considered tourists of Aruba. Persons who are considered a tourist are those who travel to Aruba for one of the following purposes: vacation and relaxation, sport, health reasons, family matters, study, religious purposes or a business visit.

Please review the following link which provides more details on Entry Requirements and Visas for Aruba - <https://www.visitaruba.com/traveling-to-aruba/entry-requirements-and-visas/>

## Health Requirements:

All delegates to the conference should travel only if in good health. Delegates are reminded that they must abide by established medical procedures at departure and arrival points.

### Yellow Fever Vaccination

The vaccine is mandatory for all passengers arriving from the Central American, Latin American and African (high risk) countries. These include the CDEMA Participating States of Guyana, Suriname and Trinidad and Tobago. In order to be valid, the vaccine must be applied at least 10 days before the trip. That is, visitors must be vaccinated at least 10 days before entering the island territory.

Additional details on this including requirements for other countries can be found online at <https://www.airportaruba.com/yellow-fever>

## Dress Code:

The dress code for the Consultation is **business attire**.

## Language:

The Conference is being offered in **English**.



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**Consultation Venue:** The venue for the consultation will be the **Renaissance Convention Centre (a.m. sessions) and the Renaissance Ocean Suites (p.m. sessions).**

**Accommodation/Venue:** The **Renaissance Marina Hotel** has been selected as the preferred hotel for accommodation for this consultation. The hotel is located in Palm Beach, Oranjestad, and is approximately 2 miles from the Queen Beatrix International. **Address:** L. G. Smith Boulevard 82. Oranjestad, Aruba; **Tele #:** 1 297-583-6000 **Fax #:** 297-582-3820 **Toll-Free #:** 1-800-421-8188.

The hotel rate is **US\$249.75 single occupancy, inclusive of taxes.** Additional details on the meeting venue can be found online at <http://www.renaissancearubaresortandcasino.com/default-en.html>. It is recommended that hotel reservations be made by contacting Juanita Chirino at email [jchirino@arubarenaissance.com](mailto:jchirino@arubarenaissance.com) or telephone (297) 586-3000. Please indicate that you are attending the CDEMA Conference. Participants who will be covering their own charges will be required to provide the full payment of the room upon arrival at the hotel.

**Sponsored participants ONLY:** Kindly note that you have been added to the rooming list at the hotel, so no further action is required. Please note that you will be responsible for any additional expenses incurred outside of those included in the room rate quoted above.

The accommodation venue is less than a 2-minute walk from Renaissance Convention Center.

**Airport transfers:** Taxi cars and vans are readily available upon exit of the Queen Beatrix International Airport. The approximate fare to the Hotel is US\$30.00. **Please agree on your fare before getting into the cab.**



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## Consultation On-site

### Registration:

All participants will require a badge to enter the Consultation. Registration for the Consultation can be completed online at <https://goo.gl/forms/t97RtYHcEQB4gDYt1>. Distribution of Badges will occur at check-in at the Hotel's Registration Desk.

### Green Meeting:

This will be a *green meeting*, so no documents will be shared. We ask that you please walk with your laptop or other devices to access the meeting documents. The official meeting website: <https://www.cdema.org/regional-planetary-security-conference-in-the-caribbean>

### Special Dietary Needs:

Persons with special dietary needs are required to indicate at the point of registration.

### Internet Services:

On check-in at the hotel, you will be provided with instructions on accessing the internet.

### Weather:

The weather in Aruba is 28°C on average during the December period. The temperature in Aruba is measured in Celsius and is usually remains constant throughout the year. On average the temperature varies between the 26 and 32 degrees Celsius.

### Currency:

Aruba has its own currency called the Aruban florin, but dollars are also widely accepted on the island. The exchange rate for the US dollar ranges from Awg 1.75 to Awg 1.80 for one US dollar. For additional details: <https://www.visitaruba.com/about-aruba/money-and-currency/>

### Power Outlets:

Electrical outlets in Aruba are 60 cycles/120 volts which is compatible with all US appliances.

### Health/travel Insurance:

While it is unlikely that you will need it, we highly recommend that you travel with your medical insurance card or any relevant documents in the event that you may have to visit a doctor or hospital.

### Stipend:

**Sponsored participants ONLY:** A stipend will be provided to cover the costs of breakfast and dinner. The total amount will however be determined by your flight arrangements. *In-bound boarding pass(es) are required for the issuance of the stipend.*

### Boarding Passes:

**Sponsored participants ONLY:** Please present your in-bound boarding pass(es) to the CDEMA representative at the consultation. We will also require that you provide a scanned copy of your out-bound boarding pass(es) once you have returned from the consultation. These can be shared via email to [conferencecoordinator@cdema.org](mailto:conferencecoordinator@cdema.org)

