

Practical information

1 Venue of the meeting

This information is not available yet.

2 Hotels

This information is not available yet.

3 Climate

Between March and October, the average temperature in the city of Lima varies between 15°C and 18°C, but with a humidity nearing 80%, it feels colder.

4 Local time

The local time is GMT -5.

5 Currency and exchange

The official Peruvian currency is the *nuevo sol* (new sol) and its symbol is S/. It is issued in notes of 10, 20, 50, 100 and 200 nuevos soles; in coins of 1, 2 and 5 nuevos soles, and 5, 10, 20 and 50 cents.

Notes



Coins



Within the airport one can find banks and change counters, where foreign currency can be converted into soles. However, the US dollar is generally accepted in shops.

The most widely accepted credit cards are American Express, VISA and Master Card.

6 Entry visa

Most delegates do not require a visa to enter Peru. A visa will be required from delegates from the following countries: Cuba, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama and Mexico.

It is recommended to check with the Peruvian embassy or consulate in your country for additional security. You may also access the following page from the Ministry of External Relations of Peru to obtain additional information:

[http://www.rree.gob.pe/portal/aconsular.nsf/bd437a0309e5e7be05256bff006da083/a086a1dda82ff807052574490075bc48/\\$FILE/VisXExtFeb2009.pdf](http://www.rree.gob.pe/portal/aconsular.nsf/bd437a0309e5e7be05256bff006da083/a086a1dda82ff807052574490075bc48/$FILE/VisXExtFeb2009.pdf)

7 Transport from and to airport

OSIPTEL will arrange the transport upon arrival for those delegates who have previously provided their arrival and hotel details.

8 Electricity

220 V alternate current is available throughout Peru. Sockets are the flat, US type. It is advisable to carry an adapter if you are carrying electrical appliances, although most buildings will have sockets that accept both flat and round prongs.

9 Business hours

Banks and change counters in the city of Lima will be open from Monday to Friday between 0900h and 1800h and Saturdays between 0900h and 1300h.

Commercial offices usually work between 0900h and 1300h and 1500h and 1800h (some of them non-stop).

Most shops are open between 1000h and 2000h.

10 Tipping

It is customary in Peru to leave a 10% of the bill in cafeterias and restaurants and to give a tip to doormen and porters.

11 Computer networking

There will be wireless network access to Internet.

12 Vaccination and health information

No vaccinations are required to enter Peru, but it is advisable for visitors to drink bottled water.

13 Prices and taxes

Any purchase is taxed at 19% (already included in final price).

14 Languages

The most widely spoken language in Peru is Spanish. Other languages are quechua, aymara, and other indigenous languages less widely spoken.