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## 1. LOCAL CONTACT

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## 2. ACCOMODATION AND HOTEL RESERVATIONS

The Argentine Administration has obtained special rates at downtown hotels that are shown in the table below. Participants are kindly requested to fill out the attached form and email it directly to the selected hotel.

It is important to make your reservation as soon as possible. All reservations must include a credit card number. You will receive a confirmation message once your reservation has been accepted by the hotel. In case of failure to attend the meeting, all reservations must be cancelled well in advance.



HOTEL	ROOM / RATE
<b>1 NH CITY &amp; TOWER * * * * *</b> Bolivar 120 Tel: +5411 57766400 Check-In: 14:00 HS Check-Out: 12:00 HS reservas.mercosur@nh-hotels.com www.nh-hotels.com	Deluxe Single or Double  USD 176 Taxes and buffet breakfast are included
<b>2 NH CITY * * * * *</b> Bolivar 160 Tel: +5411 57766400 Check-In: 14:00 HS Check-Out: 12:00 HS reservas.mercosur@nh-hotels.com www.nh-hotels.com	Standard Single or Double  USD 148 Taxes and buffet breakfast are included
<b>3 562 NOGARÓ BS. AS. * * * *</b> Av. Julio Argentino Roca 562 Tel: +5411 43310091 Check-In: 14:00 HS Check-Out: 11:00 HS reservas@562nogarohotel.com www.562nogarohotel.com	Standard Single or Double  USD 107 Taxes and buffet breakfast are included
<b>4 DE LAS LUCES * * * *</b> Alsina 525 Tel: +5411 43436776 Check-In: 14:00 HS Check-Out: 12:00 HS reservas@hoteldelaslucos.com.ar www.hoteldelaslucos.com.ar	Standard Single or Double  USD 75 Taxes and buffet breakfast are included

### 3. FLIGHTS & TRANSPORTATION

Ezeiza Airport handles all international air traffic and is 40 minutes away from the city. Jorge Newbery Airport is used for domestic flights but many international flights arrive at the airport located 15 minutes from downtown Buenos Aires.

Delegates have several transfer options from the airport to their hotel in the city of Buenos Aires:

Car services and private taxis: There are many taxi and car service companies located at the arrivals' terminal exit.

Estimated cost for Ezeiza Airport – City of Buenos Aires transfer: \$ 220 (USD 50)

Estimated cost for J.Newbery Airport – City of Buenos Aires transfer: \$ 70 (USD 16)

Minibuses: this is a cheaper option; they leave from the airport every 30 minutes with a shuttle service to the main downtown hotels.

Estimated cost for Ezeiza Airport – City of Buenos Aires transfer: \$ 70 (USD 16)

Estimated cost for J.Newbery Airport – City of Buenos Aires transfer: \$ 25 (USD 6)

For further information, please visit the following web page: Aeropuertos Argentina 2000 - Aeropuerto de Ezeiza Ministro Pistarini: [www.aa2000.com.ar](http://www.aa2000.com.ar)

### 4. GENERAL INFORMATION

#### City of Buenos Aires:

With its European architecture, vast parks and sculptural monuments, it is the capital of the Argentine Republic. There are several tourist attractions such as museums, exhibition halls, art galleries, cinemas and theaters. It is the country's financial, economic and stock market hub. The intense business activity is reflected on the various top-brand shops, department stores and shopping malls.

Nightlife is extremely varied and continues until dawn. Discos, restaurants, bars and many other attractions to suit all tastes spread all over the city creating countless options for tourists.

The obelisk is a national historic landmark that stands as the city's icon.

#### Entry formalities:

Most delegates do not require a visa to enter Argentina. You can check all visa requirements at [www.mrecic.gov.ar](http://www.mrecic.gov.ar) "temas consulares" (consular issues). However, for more certainty you should consult your embassy or consulate.

Those who require a visa to enter Argentina should contact Mr. Luciano Intelesano at [lintelesano@cnc.gov.ar](mailto:lintelesano@cnc.gov.ar) to request a personalized letter of invitation addressed to the petitioner via e-mail. This letter will then be delivered to the petitioning country's Argentine Embassy in order to get the visa.

Argentina does not require any vaccination certificates, except for the case of vaccination against cholera and yellow fever for passengers coming from countries in which the aforementioned



deceases are endemic.

### Climate:

Buenos Aires has a benign climate –warm and humid- throughout the year. Therefore, extreme temperatures are rare.

Usual temperatures for this time of year range between 10° and 20° Celsius (50° -68° F), with an average temperature of 15° Celsius (59° F).

### Language:

Spanish is the official language; English is widely spoken.

### Currency:

The peso (\$) is Argentina's official currency. Although dollars are usually accepted, foreign exchange can be obtained in banks and authorized foreign exchange offices. The most widely accepted credit cards are American Express, VISA, Diners and Mastercard.

Exchange rates may fluctuate. As of 04/10/2012 the dollar/peso rate was: USD 1 = \$ 4.37.



### Power:



Argentina has alternating current and the voltage is of 220 Volts. Hotels usually have 110 v adaptors for appliances.

### Shopping & Tax refund:

At the airport, tourists can get a 21% refund of the amount paid for Value Added Tax (VAT), if they have bought national products for amounts over \$ 70 (per purchase slip) at the shops adhered to the "Global Refund" system.

For further information, please visit:

[http://www.aa2000.com.ar/ip\\_dsv\\_internayregiona\\_partidas.aspx#P\\_9](http://www.aa2000.com.ar/ip_dsv_internayregiona_partidas.aspx#P_9) "Tax-Refund"

### Business hours:

Banks and Foreign Exchange Offices: Monday to Friday, from 10 am to 3 pm.

Business offices: Monday to Friday usually from 9 am to 12 noon and from 2 pm to 7 pm.

Shops: Monday to Friday from 9 am to 8 pm. Saturdays from 9 am to 1 pm

Cafés, bars and pizza restaurants: almost open round the clock, with a break between 2 and 6 in the morning.

Restaurants: lunch is served from 12.30 noon and dinner from 8.30 pm on. Many places offer fast food options at all times.

### Tips:

It is customary practice to leave a 10% tip in cafés and restaurants, as well as to tip porters, bell boys and ushers in theaters.

### Useful information:

For further information on the city of Buenos Aires, please visit the following web page:

[www.bue.gov.ar](http://www.bue.gov.ar)