

# ITU AMERICAS POLEC 2019

## PRACTICAL INFORMATION



### VENUE

The ITU Americas POLEC 2019 organized by the International Telecommunication Union and hosted by the Instituto Dominicano de las Telecomunicaciones (INDOTEL) of Dominican Republic, will take place from 26 to 30 August 2019.

The venue of the ITU Americas POLEC 2019 is the “Centro Indotel República Digital”, Isabel La Católica Street, Esq. Emiliano Tejera, Colonial City, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. Tel. +1 (829) 378-6251 <http://www.cct.gob.do/>.

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### BASIC FACTS ABOUT DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

The country is located in the Caribbean region, eastern two-thirds of the island of Hispaniola, between the Caribbean Sea and the North Atlantic Ocean, east of Haiti. The Capital Santo Domingo has the oldest colonial zone of the New World, located next to the mouth of the Ozama River. It was founded in 1498 and was the first colonial city to which the Spanish Crown granted a royal charter. Strolling through its narrow and old but well preserved cobbled streets is a real pleasure. There are intact buildings from the colonial era. It has a variety of entertainment sites and exquisite restaurants.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.turismosantodomingo.com/zona-colonial.html>.

For more information about the Dominican Republic, we invite you to visit the official website. <http://www.gob.do/index.php/pais/2014-12-16-20-50-15>.

### PASSPORT AND IMMIGRATION INFORMATION

Delegates are strongly advised to verify all entry requirements as part of their travel arrangements.

Those who require **VISAS** need to make necessary arrangements prior to travel. Please visit the web page: [www.consuladord.com](http://www.consuladord.com) of the consular services. In addition, we recommend delegates to consult the embassy or consulate in their country for further information.

All foreign visitors entering the Dominican Republic, whether with a visa or tourist card, must have a valid Passport for the duration in and departure from Dominican territory.

All nationals of countries able to legally enter the European Union, the United States of America, Canada and Great Britain can enter the national territory of the Dominican Republic upon a simple presentation of the Tourism card (Decree 691-07 dated December 18, 2007).

In case a delegate wants to extend her/his visit while in the Dominican Republic, she/he can go through the offices of the General Directorate of immigration and request an extension, applicable for one time only. Additional information could be found at:

<http://www.godominicanrepublic.com/es/sobre-rd/requisitos-de-entrada/>

## **REGISTRATION**

In order to register to the ITU Americas POLEC 2019, please complete the online registration form no later than 01 August 2019. <http://www.itu.int/go/regitud>.

Participants are required to present their Confirmation of Registration letter to the registration desk at the Centro Indotel República Digital, together with an official identity document bearing a photograph (e.g. passport or driving licence) in order to obtain their event badge. This badge must be worn at all times when entering or when inside the event premises.

## **PAPERLESS POLICY**

Delegates are advised that the ITU Americas POLEC 2019 is a paperless event and that neither the Programme nor presentations will be printed.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

Delegates are responsible for making their travel arrangements from airport-hotel-airport. The International Airport of Las Americas is located in Punta Caucedo, approximately 25 minutes from the City of Santo Domingo. Telephone numbers for passenger information: +1 (809) 947-2225 / +1 (809) 947-2297. Operations and Emergency Center, Telephone No. +1 (809) 947-2220.

<http://www.aerodom.com>

## **ACCOMMODATION**

Participants should book their own hotel accommodation directly using the telephone numbers or e-mail addresses provided in the table. Please note that all recommended hotels are within walking distance of the venue. No transportation will be provided by the host from the hotels to the venue.

	<b>Hodelpa Nicolas de Ovando (5*)</b>	<b>Hodelpa Caribe Colonial Hotel Boutique (4*)</b>	<b>Hodelpa Novus Plaza (4*)</b>	<b>Lucas Hotel (4*)</b>	<b>Billini Hotel (4*)</b>
<b>Address:</b>	C/Las Damas #10210 +1(809)-685-9955	C/Isabela Católica #159 +1(809) 688-7799	C/El Conde esq. Hostos +1(809) 688-5500	C/19 de Marzo #164 +1(809)238-5877	C/Padre Billini #258 +1(809)-338-4040
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="https://hodelpanicolasdeovando.com/en/">https://hodelpanicolasdeovando.com/en/</a>	<a href="https://www.hodelpa.com/es/hoteles/ciudad-colonial/hodelpa-caribe-colonial">https://www.hodelpa.com/es/hoteles/ciudad-colonial/hodelpa-caribe-colonial</a>	<a href="https://hodelpa.com/es/hoteles/ciudad-colonial/novus-plaza-hodelpa">https://hodelpa.com/es/hoteles/ciudad-colonial/novus-plaza-hodelpa</a>	<a href="http://www.hotellucas.santafe.com">www.hotellucas.santafe.com</a>	<a href="https://www.billinihotel.com/default-en.html">https://www.billinihotel.com/default-en.html</a>

## CURRENCY

The Dominican Peso (DOP) is the currency of the Dominican Republic. The currency symbol is DOP which is also written RD \$. The Dominican Peso is the only currency that is accepted in commerce. The exchange rate may fluctuate, we encourage delegates to visit the web page: <http://www.xe.com>.

## LANGUAGE

The official language in the Dominican Republic is Spanish.

## CLIMATE AND TIME ZONE

The Dominican Republic has a humid tropical climate, with warm temperatures throughout the year. Average temperatures vary between 28 ° C and 32 ° C (82 ° and 90 ° F). The Dominican Republic Time Zone is UTC-4.

## ELECTRICITY

The electrical voltage in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic is 110 volts.

## TIPS

It is usual to leave 10% of the amount of the service in cafeterias and restaurants and to tip the porters.

## EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER

9-1-1 is the National Emergency and Security System where events that require attention or immediate treatment are concentrated. <http://911.gob.do/>