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ITU Policy and Economic Colloquium for the Americas IPEC-26

Guatemala City

Practical Information

**ITU-D Regional Economic Dialogue (RED) and the
ITU-D capacity building on the Global Economic Model and Study (GEMS) tool**
7 to 9 December 2026

ITU-T Regional Groups Meetings
10 to 11 December 2026



1. WELCOME

The Superintendence of Telecommunications (SIT) is honoured to extend the warmest welcome to the participants of the **ITU Policy and Economic Colloquium (IPEC) for the Americas Region**, organized in coordination with the **Regional Office for the Americas of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU)**.

IPEC constitutes an important forum for dialogue and knowledge sharing on public policy and the economics of telecommunications and information and communication technologies (ICTs), promoting analysis, cooperation and the exchange of experiences among representatives and relevant stakeholders of the sector.

On this occasion, Guatemala will host the event, which represents an opportunity to strengthen regional dialogue and share experiences related to the development of telecommunications, connectivity, innovation and regulatory environments.

The event will be held from **7 to 11 December 2026**, in Guatemala City.

The purpose of this bulletin is to provide practical information to facilitate travel planning and participation during the event, including aspects related to registration, accommodation, transport, entry into the country, connectivity and general recommendations.

We thank you for your participation and extend to you the warmest welcome to Guatemala.

2. VENUE, CONTACTS, DATE AND PLACE OF THE EVENT



Venue: Hotel Vista Quince

Address: 2 Calle 20-23, Zona 15,
Vista Hermosa I,
Guatemala City, Guatemala.

Postal code: 01015

Location on Google Maps:

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/Zs26vEVaKEzg6f676>

3. INSTITUTIONAL CONTACTS: SIT - ITU

For enquiries related to the organization and logistics of the event, participants may contact the following focal points:

**SUPERINTENDENCE OF
TELECOMMUNICATIONS (SIT)**

Contact: José Luis Antúnez

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E-mail: jose.antunez@sit.gob.gt

**INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATION UNION
(ITU)**

Contact: Rodrigo Robles

E-mail: rodrigo.robles@itu.int

4. REGISTRATION

Information related to the registration of delegates, participants and other administrative aspects of the event is available on the official website of the International Telecommunication Union:

<https://www.itu.int/go/IPEC2026>

Participants are encouraged to register within the deadlines established by the organizers and to consult the official website regularly for any updates.

5. ACCOMMODATION

For the greater convenience of participants, it is recommended to consider as a first accommodation option the **Hotel Vista Quince**, venue of the event, owing to its location and easy access to the scheduled activities.

Important:

PREFERENTIAL CORPORATE RATES 2026

The **Hotel Vista Quince** offers preferential corporate rates and provides favourable conditions in terms of location, comfort, service and security, making it a highly convenient option for the accommodation of event participants. Staying at the venue hotel will allow attendees to enjoy a comfortable and secure space, as well as facilitate their transfer and timely participation in the various scheduled activities.

Room type: Deluxe

Type of occupancy	Rate per night
Single room	USD90.00
Double room	USD95.00

Amounts are expressed in United States dollars (USD). For payments in national currency, the exchange rate in force established by the hotel will apply (as of 17 September 2026 the exchange rate is Q7.90 per USD1.00).

Important note

The hotel will place a **block of 20 rooms with two beds** for the event. Rooms will be available for booking until **27 November 2026**, the deadline established to confirm reservations.

To facilitate the identification and management of reservations, it is requested that the group be registered under the following name: **IPEC2026G**

It is recommended to do the booking directly with Ms. Gabriela Estrada, at gestrada@vistaquince.gt or WhatsApp number +502 3006 3962.



Hotel contact

Reservations and accommodation: Gabriela Estrada

Telephone: +502 3068-3283

E-mail: ventas@vistaquince.com

To guarantee the reservation, the hotel may request the corresponding payment in accordance with its policies in force: credit cards, local currency or USD United States dollars and, additionally, payment through a link.



• SERVICES AND BENEFITS OFFERED BY THE HOTEL:

- ✓ **Breakfast service: Monday to Friday.**
- ✓ **Complimentary Wi-Fi for guests.**
- ✓ **One parking space per room.**

For additional information and reservations:

Website: <https://www.vistaquince.com/>

6. FLIGHTS AND AIRLINES

The main international air entry point to Guatemala is **La Aurora International Airport (GUA)**, located in Guatemala City.

The main airlines operating flights to Guatemala include, among others:

Avianca

Copa Airlines

United Airlines

American Airlines

Delta Air Lines

Aeroméxico

Volaris

TAG Airlines

Iberia

Air Europa



Routes, schedules and flight frequencies may vary depending on the season and the travel date. Participants are therefore advised to check directly with the selected airline or through specialized platforms in order to verify the availability of flights to Guatemala and obtain up-to-date information on travel options.

<https://www.flightconnections.com/en/flights-to-guatemala-city-gua>

7. TRANSPORT

7.1 From La Aurora International Airport

To facilitate their arrival and make their stay in Guatemala more comfortable, participants may use different transfer options from the airport to the hotel of their choice:

7.2 Transport to Hotel Vista Quince

- Hotel Vista Quince reports that it provides transport service to and from La Aurora International Airport, subject to prior request.

Rate indicated: USD 10 per person per trip.

Participants are advised to confirm directly with the hotel, before travelling, the availability, schedule, applicable rate and procedure to request the service.

Transport provided by the hotel: Some establishments offer transfer services to and from the airport, subject to availability and to the rates established by each hotel. It is recommended to consult and arrange this service directly with the establishment in advance.

- **Authorized taxis:** available at the airport for transfers to different areas of the city.

7.3 Local transport

The alternatives available in Guatemala City include:

- **Uber:** Available in Guatemala City. The service may be requested directly through the application. For information and available options, visit [Uber Guatemala](#).
- **inDrive:** Available in Guatemala City, with transfer options from La Aurora International Airport. The service may be requested through the application [inDrive](#).
- **Yango:** Available in Guatemala City. To learn about the service and download the application, please consult [Yango Guatemala](#).

Authorized taxi services available at La Aurora International Airport may also be used.



8. TELEPHONY AND INTERNET

- La Aurora International Airport offers free Wi-Fi service, with a limit of up to four hours per session.
- The airport has kiosks where SIM cards are sold, one of them located near the currency exchange area.

The use of roaming services may generate additional charges, depending on the plan contracted with the home operator. Participants are advised to check in advance with their provider regarding the applicable rates.

- Telecommunication operators offer telephony and mobile Internet packages that may be purchased by visitors as an alternative to stay connected during their stay in the country.
- It is recommended to consider purchasing a local SIM card in order to optimize connectivity costs.

Tigo Guatemala: www.tigo.com.gt

Claro Guatemala: www.claro.com.gt

Services, requirements, rates and conditions may vary according to the operator and the type of service selected. It is recommended to verify the information in force directly with each operator at the time of acquiring the line.

9. IMMIGRATION INFORMATION FOR ENTRY INTO GUATEMALA

To enter Guatemala, visitors must present the documentation required by the immigration authorities. It is recommended to verify in advance the requirements applicable according to their nationality and country of origin.

- **Valid passport:** Visitors must present a valid passport to the immigration authorities upon entry into the country. Once entry is authorized, the corresponding immigration status and period of stay will be recorded.
- **Identification document:** As a general rule, the national identity document does not replace the passport for entry into Guatemala. An exception applies to nationals of **El Salvador, Honduras and Nicaragua**, who may enter using their identification document, in accordance with the regional agreements in force.
- **Regional Traveller Sworn Declaration (DJRV):** Persons entering the country must complete the [Regional Traveller Sworn Declaration \(DJRV\)](#) of the Superintendence of Tax Administration (SAT), available electronically. It is recommended to complete this procedure before travelling in order to facilitate the entry process.



For official and up-to-date information on entry requirements, it is recommended to visit the websites of the relevant authorities:

- **Superintendence of Tax Administration (SAT):** [Official SAT website](#)
- **Guatemalan Institute of Migration (IGM):** [Guatemalan Institute of Migration](#)

10. VISA REQUIREMENTS

Visa requirements depend on the nationality of the traveller and on the type of passport used.

Guatemala has different immigration categories for the entry of foreign nationals; it is therefore recommended to verify in advance whether a visa is required to enter the country. Official and up-to-date information may be consulted on the website of the

- **Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Guatemala (MINEX):**

<https://www.minex.gob.gt/>

Specific information on visas for foreign nationals may also be consulted:

<https://minex.gob.gt/din/26-visas-para-extranjeros>

Persons requiring consular procedures may consult the official directory of Embassies and Consulates of Guatemala: <https://www.minex.gob.gt/>

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- **Official directory of Embassies and Consulates of Guatemala:**

[Directory of Embassies and Consulates – MINEX](#)

11. GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT GUATEMALA

Guatemala is located in the heart of Central America and has significant cultural, historical and natural diversity.



The country combines the legacy of the Maya civilization with colonial heritage, modern cities, volcanoes, lakes, forests and coastlines on both the Pacific Ocean and the Caribbean Sea.

Its diversity offers cultural, gastronomic, natural and adventure experiences.

11.1 Guatemala City

Guatemala City is the country's main political, economic, business and cultural centre. The city offers a wide range of hotel, gastronomic, commercial and cultural options.

Its main points of interest include:

Historic Centre.

National Palace of Culture.

Metropolitan Cathedral.

Avenida La Reforma.

Avenida Las Américas.

Zona Viva.

Paseo Cayalá.

Oakland Place.

Popol Vuh Museum.

Ixchel Museum of Indigenous Dress.

La Aurora Zoo.

11.2 Main tourist destinations

Participants who have additional time may wish to consider visiting some of the most representative destinations in Guatemala, including:

Antigua Guatemala.

Lake Atitlán.

Tikal National Park in Petén.

Semuc Champey, Alta Verapaz.

Pacaya Volcano.

Fuego and Acatenango Volcanoes.

Official tourist information

To learn more about destinations, tourist attractions, activities and options for planning their visit to Guatemala, participants may consult the following official resources:

- **Guatemalan Tourism Institute – INGUAT**

[Official INGUAT website](#)

- **Visit Guatemala**

Guatemala's tourism promotion platform, with information on destinations and experiences that may be enjoyed during your visit.

[Visit Guatemala](#)

12. GASTRONOMY

Guatemalan gastronomy reflects the country's cultural diversity and is characterized by the use of traditional ingredients such as maize, beans, tomato, chillies and avocado.

Representative dishes include:

Pepián

Jocón

Kak'ik

Tamales

Paches

Chuchitos

Guatemalan enchiladas

13. PRACTICAL INFORMATION

13.1 Travel insurance

Participants will be responsible for any medical expenses that may arise during their stay in Guatemala.

It is recommended to verify whether the air ticket or personal policy includes international medical assistance. Otherwise, it is advisable to take out travel insurance covering medical, hospital and emergency care throughout the stay.

13.2 Climate

Guatemala City is located at approximately 1,500 metres above sea level and generally has a temperate climate.

During the month of **December**, temperatures are usually pleasant during the day and cooler at night and in the early morning hours.

It is recommended to bring light clothing for daytime and a warm garment for cooler hours. It may also be useful to carry an umbrella or raincoat, as occasional rainfall may occur.

13.3 Time zone

Guatemala uses the **UTC-6** time zone throughout the year and does not apply daylight saving time changes.

13.4 Language

The official language is Spanish. In hotels, restaurants and tourist establishments, it is common to find staff who also communicate in English.

13.5 Currency

The official currency of Guatemala is the **Quetzal (GTQ)**.



To consult the official and up-to-date exchange rate:

- **Bank of Guatemala:**

<https://www.banguat.gob.gt/>

13.6 Electricity

Guatemala uses **120 volts** electrical current, with plug types **A and B**.

Participants coming from countries with different electrical standards should verify whether they need an adapter.

14. TOURIST ASSISTANCE

Guatemala has assistance services to support visitors during their stay and to facilitate attention in situations that may arise during their trip.

- **Tourist assistance**

INGUAT – Tourist assistance

1500

Alternate telephone numbers: +502 2290-2810 / +502 5188-1819

INGUAT's tourist assistance service provides guidance and support to visitors and, where appropriate, coordinates with other institutions to address different situations during their stay.



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- Roadside assistance

PROVIAL – Directorate-General for Road Protection and Safety

1520

Number 1520 may be used to request assistance, report traffic incidents, make enquiries and receive attention in emergencies on the country's roads. The PROVIAL Operations Centre provides service 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

WELCOME TO GUATEMALA!

**GUATEMALA, WHERE EVERY CORNER TELLS A STORY AND
EVERY LANDSCAPE IS AN ENCOUNTER WITH ITS CULTURE
AND ITS NATURE**

