



Practical information for participants

Regional Training Workshop on Number Portability

Paramaribo (Suriname), 28-30 April 2015

1. Introduction

The Regional Training Workshop on Number Portability will take place from 28- 30 April 2015, in Paramaribo, Suriname. The workshop is organized by Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT) of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) in collaboration with, and supported by, the Telecommunication Authority Suriname (TAS).

The objective of the workshop is to strengthen the capacity of countries in the region by discussing the advantage and the disadvantage of number portability and the necessary steps and conditions for a successful implementation.

Topics to be discussed are, inter alia: the basic of number Portability, the central database, Regulatory and Economic issues on number portability, Network routing and charging, best practices/ Case studies.

2. Participation

The workshop is intended for participants, who are responsible for number policy and/or issuing numbers.

3. Date & Venue

28th - 30th April 2015

Palm AB
Courtyard by Marriot hotel
Anton Dragtenweg 52-54
Paramaribo, Suriname

Tel: +597-456000/ Fax +597-456677

http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/pbmcy-courtyard-paramaribo

At the venue free Wi-Fi internet access will be available in the training room.

4. Registration

Registration can be done by sending the registration form to the International Telecommunication Union: sheron.small@itu.int preferably on or before (See Annex 3)

5. Accommodation & Reservations

N.B.: All reservations are to be undertaken by the participant or by the Administration, organization

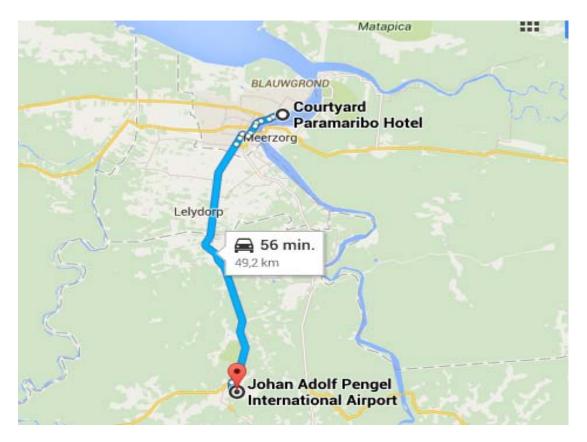
or Agency which is being represented

Hotel		Contact	Roc	oms
Courtyard	by	Courtyard by Marriot hotel	Deluxe double: US\$ 125	
Marriot		Anton Dragtenweg 52-54	Room rate include:	
		Paramaribo, Suriname	*	13% Service Charge
		Tel: +597-456000/ Fax +597456677	*	8% Government Tax
		http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/p	*	Breakfast for 1
		bmcy-courtyard-paramaribo/		

Airport Transfers

There is one main airport, Johan Adolph Pengel International Airport which is in the south of Suriname the Airport is 49, 2 km from Courtyard by Marriot hotel and is a 56 minute drive. Participants will be responsible for transfers to and from airports.

The hotel provides transportation from the airport to the hotel. Airport Shuttle \$20USD one way (on request)



Map 1 – Johan Adolf Pengel Airport to Courtyard by Marriot Paramaribo Hotel

6. Time Zone

Suriname Time (SRT) UTC/GMT -3 hours

7. Weather

Suriname has a tropical climate with dry and rainy seasons. The short rainy season falls during December and January. Throughout the year the average daily temperature varies between 21 and

32 degrees Celsius (70 to 90 degrees Fahrenheit). Suriname lies outside the hurricane zone so the most extreme weather condition is a heavy rain shower.

Light summer clothing is appropriate for this weather. The conference room where the workshop will be held is air-conditioned.

8. Banking

Suriname's currency is the Surinamese Dollar (SRD). US Dollars and Euros are widely accepted and can be exchanged at either the airport or any bank or at the money exchange shop for local currency. Visa and MasterCard are also widely accepted. There are two banks within distance of the workshop venue, the Central Bank of Suriname (CBvS), The Surinamese Bank (DSB)

Opening hours for banks are:

Monday to Thursday from 7.30h00 to 15h00

Friday from 7.30h00 to 14.30h00

There are no lunch breaks

Surinamese Dollar (SRD) Currency Bank Notes in circulation

US Dollar	3.35
Euro	4.10

The SRD currency is stable and rate changes over a two (2) month period are very marginal

Rates as at 14:00

AST (UCT/GMT) - 4 hours 30/01/2014.











9. Airline Reservations and Reconfirmation of Return Flight

The international flights such are Caribbean airlines and Surinam Airways offers regular services to the Johan Adolf Pengel International Airport.

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11. Utilities

Electricity

The voltage used in Saint Lucia is 127 volts at 60Hz. Hotels are usually wired with both 220 at 60Hz and 127 volts at 60Hz.

Telecommunications

The telecommunications providers are:

- Telesur which offers landline, internet, mobile;
- Digicel which offers mobile services;
- Uniqa which offers mobile services;
- At the venue free Wi-Fi Internet access will be available in the training room.

12. Contact(s)

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