14th meeting of the Working Group on Environmental Auditing Buenos Aires, Argentina 6 to 10 November 2011



Practical information

Meeting Venue

The Panamericano Hotel has been selected for the location of the meeting and as a hotel to accommodate all the participants.

Panamericano Hotel

Address: Carlos Pellegrini 551 (1009) Buenos Aires, Argentina Phone: +54 (011) 4348-5000

Webpage: http://www.panamericano.us/index_esp.html

The Panamericano Buenos Aires Hotel is situated on 9 de Julio Avenue, just in front of the Obelisk and the Colón Theater, in the downtown area of Argentine's Capital Federal known as "microcentro".

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Transportation

The SAI of Argentina will provide transport on arrival and departure between the Ministro Pistarini Airport, Jorge Newbery Airpark and the different hotels. Transport to all the social events will also be provided, from the Venue Hotel (Panamericano Hotel). Transport from the other hotels to the Venue Hotel will not be provided.

Meals

During the meeting (06/11-10/11) lunches and coffee breaks are covered by Argentina's SAI. The breakfast is included in the hotel accommodation rate.

The SAI of Argentina will host the Welcome Reception on 07/11 and the SAI of Estonia will host the Closing Dinner on 10/11.

Vegetarian meals will be available for guests with vegan, halal and kosher diets.

Environmental Excursion

The SAI of Argentina has planned a program for the Environmental Excursion on the 7th. After the breakfast and accreditation, the excursion group will travel to the Port of Tigre by bus (approximately 15 miles). Thereafter two ships will be boarded in order to sail around the Islands on the Parana River Delta. At noon, "Gato Blanco" Restaurant will be headed to, which is on one of the islands. This will allow the delegates to interact with the nature of the place. After lunch, the group will return to the Port of Tigre, where the buses will be awaiting to return guests back to Buenos Aires.

Delegates should wear casual, comfortable clothes, as well as insect repellent, sunscreen and headwear to protect from the sun.

Dress Code

- Casual attire for the excursion
- Formal attire for the hosted dinners
- Formal attire for the Opening Ceremony
- Business casual attire for the working group meeting





Electricity information

Please note that in Argentina, power sockets and plugs may be different from the ones you use in your countries. Argentinean sockets accept plugs Type C (two prong-plug), but most of them carry Type I plugs (grounding pin, and two flat current-carrying pins forming an upside down V-shape). However, in most places, power sockets are modified to accept both plugs (as shown below). Remember that Argentina's electricity voltage is 220V.



Type C Type I

Expected Weather

The WG14 meeting will take place during Argentina's spring, really close to the beginning of the summer. We should be expecting really warm days, with temperatures rising up to 35°C. However, during springtime, storms and heavy winds are also a possibility.