

# X Meeting of the Financial Information Forum of Latin American and the Caribbean Central Bank

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## **GENERAL INFORMATION BULLETIN**

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## VENUE

CEMLA Durango 54, Colonia Roma, P.O. BOX 06700 Mexico City, Mexico Phone: +52 (55) 5061 6640 (24 hours)

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## LANGUAGE

English and Spanish, with simultaneous interpretation.

## DRESS CODE

Business attire.

## LOCATION

Mexico City, also known as CDMX, is the capital of Mexico and is located in the center of the

country, surrounded by mountains, within the remains of an ancient lake at an elevation of 2,300 meters above sea level. It is one of the largest cities in the world both in terms of population and geographical area. CDMX is a vibrant and diverse metropolis that combines Mexico's rich pre-Hispanic history with the modernity of a cosmopolitan city. It offers a unique mix of colonial and contemporary architecture. а wide range of cultural. educational, religious, and health activities, varied cuisine, and active nightlife. Mexico City is an important political, economic, cultural, and Latin America. tourist center in https://mexicocitv.cdmx.gob.mx/

## **REQUIREMENTS TO VISIT MEXICO**

Participants are responsible for their passports, visas, health insurance, and verification of current health regulations, if necessary. It is highly recommended to contact directly the Mexican consulate in your country and verify current travel policies.

## LANDING AT MEXICO CITY AIRPORT

Documents requiring the visitor to enter Mexico are:

- Valid passport,
- Entry form, and
- Visa (for some nationalities)

Kindly access the link below to confirm if you need to apply for a visa -list of countries-(information available only in Spanish): <u>https://www.inm.gob.mx/gobmx/word/index.php/</u> paises-requieren-visa-para-mexico/

In addition, visitors must complete immigration

and customs forms. It is important to keep these forms and deliver them at departure with the official stamp after passing the immigration procedures.

## TRANSPORTATION

Airport-hotel-airport transportation is recommended to be purchased at official taxi kiosks located outside the customs area of the airport and at the hotel front desk, the fare is approximately USD25.

Recommended hotels are within walking distance from/to CEMLA. Authorized taxis should be required at the hotel front desk. Visitors can use the public transportation system (Metro, MX\$5.0 and Metrobus, MX\$6.0) with a smart card that can be purchased for MX\$21.00 at any subway stop. Uber, Beat, Didi, and Cabify are available in Mexico City.

### INSURANCE

We remind you that CEMLA cannot pay for travel insurance or any medical expenses incurred during your stay abroad. We suggest you make all necessary arrangements before your departure.

#### WEATHER

During May, Mexico City experiences warm and pleasant weather with average temperatures ranging between 59°F to 80.6°F (15°C and 26°C). The days are usually sunny and bright, with clear skies. Mornings and afternoons are cool, while nights tend to be mild. However, some sporadic showers and brief thunderstorms are possible during this month, especially towards the end of May. The vegetation in this season is abundant and the parks and gardens are full of color, making May an attractive month for visitors and locals alike. More information about the weather in Mexico City is available at: https://weather.com

#### **CURRENCY AND EXCHANGE**

The official currency is the Mexican peso, and the average exchange rate over the last three months is around MX17.00 pesos per USD. Updated information can be found at <u>Banco de México.</u>

Most ATMs accept international bank cards with Visa, MasterCard, and Cirrus Plus logos.

NOTE: Currency exchange can be done only at exchange houses located in the airport. Banks do not exchange foreign currency and hotels and commercial outlets no do accept cash payments in USD.

### VAT AND OTHER TAXES

The VAT is 16%. The hotel also charges a 3.5% lodging tax.

#### FOOD

Near CEMLA and recommended hotels, visitors will find many restaurants.

#### SHOPPING

Mexico City is plenty of commercial corridors that offer products and services at designers' boutiques and small craft shops with clothing and souvenirs. Some commercial areas are Polanco, Condesa, and Roma.

The following shopping centers are easily accessible: Parque Delta and Reforma 222. Crafts can be found in the market "La Ciudadela" (near CEMLA and the downtown area), and in bazaars located in Coyoacán and San Ángel, among others.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

Country code: +52 Area code: 55 Emergency number: **Any emergency 911** 

#### ELECTRICITY

Voltage in Mexico is 127 volts +/- 10%, and 50 Hz. It is recommended to travel with an adapter to avoid problems with the use of electrical appliances.

### ACCOMMODATION

CEMLA recommends the following hotels (see the page below). Rates are in US dollars including taxes, and in some cases breakfast (subject to change by the hotel). Reservations should be made by each participant, so please contact the hotel of your choice. Please note that a credit card is required to guarantee the reservation.

## Hotel Stanza\*\*\*

- Corporate Rate: USD 83.00 approx (Mx\$1,403), includes taxes, Wi-Fi, and coffeemaker. Breakfast with additional cost of USD 21.00.
- **Distance Hotel-CEMLA:** 500 meters (6 minutes walking)
- Address: Av. Álvaro Obregón 13, Colonia Roma Nte., Alcaldía Cuauhtémoc, C.P. 06700. Ciudad de México, México.
- Phone: +52 55 5208 0052
- **Contact:** Miss Nayelli Salas, please mention the agreement code (CEMLA-1121-2022).
- Email reservations: ventas1@stanzahotel.com; reservaciones@stanzahotel.com
- Webpage: <u>https://www.stanzahotel.com/?utm\_source=</u> <u>google&utm\_medium=organic&utm\_campai</u> <u>gn=Knowledge\_Graph</u>

## **Royal Reforma\*\*\***

- Corporate Rate: USD 81.00 approx. (Mx\$1,375), includes taxes, Wi-Fi, and buffet breakfast.
- **Distance Hotel-CEMLA:** 1.1 km. (15 minutes walking / 20 minutes by car)
- Address: C. Amberes No. 78, Colonia Juárez, Alcaldía Cuauhtémoc, C.P. 06600. Ciudad de México, México
- Phone: +52 55 9149 3000
- Contact: Mr. Luis Fuentes
- Email reservations:
  <u>I.fuentes@hotelroyalreforma.com;</u>
  reservaciones@hotelroyalreforma.com
- Website:
  <u>https://hotelroyalreforma.com/habitaciones.h</u>
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## Four Points by Sheraton\*\*\*

- Corporate Rate single room: USD 114.00 approx. Includes taxes, and Wi-Fi.
- Corporate Rate single room with breakfast: USD 130.00 approx. Includes taxes, buffet breakfast and Wi-Fi)

- **Distance Hotel-CEMLA:** 550 meters (7 minutes walking)
- Address: Av. Álvaro Obregón 38, Colonia Roma Nte., Alcaldía Cuauhtémoc, C.P. 06700. Ciudad de México, México.
- Phone: +52 55 1085 9500
- Contact: Miss Diana Días
- Email reservations: diana.diaz@fourpointsmxroma.com
- Website: <u>https://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/mexfp</u> <u>-four-points-mexico-city-colonia-roma</u>

## Sheraton María Isabel\*\*\*\*\*

- **Corporate Rate:** USD 198.00 approx. (Includes taxes, Wi-Fi, buffet breakfast)
- Distance Hotel-CEMLA: 2.9 km. (25 minutes by car)
- Address: Av. Paseo de la Reforma No.325, Colonia Juárez, Alcaldía Cuauhtémoc, C.P. 06500. Ciudad de México, México
- Phone: +52 55 5242 5672
- Contact: Miss Elena Morales
- Email reservations: Elena.Morales@sheraton.com
- Website: <u>https://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/mexis</u> -sheraton-mexico-city-maria-isabel-hotel

## Marriot Reforma\*\*\*\*

- Corporate Rate: USD 207.00 approx. (Includes taxes, Wi-Fi, buffet breakfast)
- Distance Hotel-CEMLA: 1.3 km. (17 minutes walking / 20 minutes by car)
- Address: Av. Paseo de la Reforma No. 276, Colonia Juárez, Alcaldía Cuauhtémoc, C.P. 06600. Ciudad de México, México.
- Phone: +52 55 1102 7030
- Contact: Miss Blanca Pérez del Moral
- Email reservations: hmr.reservaciones3@grupodiestra.com
- Website: <u>https://www.espanol.marriott.com/hotels/trav</u> <u>el/mexmc-mexico-city-marriott-reforma-</u> <u>hotel/</u>