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SUBREGIONAL WORKSHOP ON TARGET 3 OF THE KUNMING-MONTREAL GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK FOR CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES Georgetown, Guyana, 15-19 April 2024

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1. Opening and registration

The Subregional dialogue on national biodiversity strategies and action plans for Caribbean countries and the Subregional workshop on Target 3 of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework for Caribbean countries, hosted by Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Secretariat, in Georgetown, Guyana from Monday, 15 April to Friday, 19 April 2024

The dialogue and workshop will start at 9:00 a.m. on 15 April 2024. Registration will take place at the venue of the workshop from 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. the same day.

2. Venue

The dialogue and workshop will be held at:

Pegasus Hotel Guyana

Seawall Road, Kingston Georgetown, Guyana Hotel Tel: 592 225-2856

Website: https://www.pegasushotelguyana.com/
Facebook: www.facebook.com/pegasushotelguyana

3. Working language of the dialogue and workshop

The dialogue and workshop will be held in English.

4. Documents

Documents for the dialogue and the workshop are available on the Secretariat's web site:

Subregional dialogue on national biodiversity strategies and action plans for Caribbean countries: https://www.cbd.int/meetings/NBSAP-OM-2024-05

Subregional workshop on Target 3 of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework for Caribbean countries https://www.cbd.int/meetings/PA-WS-2024-02

Participants are kindly reminded to bring their own copies of the workshop documents as there will be no extra copies made available on site during the workshop.

5. General information on access to Georgetown, Guyana



The city of Georgetown is serviced by the Cheddi Jagan International Airport (41 km from downtown) and the Ogle International Airport (12 km from downtown). More information about the airports can be found at: http://www.cjairport-gy.com/ and http://www.cjairport-gy.com/ and http://www.ogleairportguyana.com/

Participants are responsible for arranging their own transportation between the airport and the hotel. You are advised to use the official airport taxis upon arrival in Guyana. The transportation costs are included in your per diem allowance. The average taxi fare from the Cheddi Jagan International Airport to the Pegasus Hotel is approximately US \$50.00 and approximately US \$15 from the Ogle International Airport.

6. Visa information



Participants requiring an entry visa for Guyana will receive assistance from the CARICOM Secretariat. To facilitate the request the following requirements must be submitted to the CARICOM Secretariat at least six weeks prior to the participant's arrival:

- 1. Copy of Passport Biodata Page
- 2. Passport size photo
- 3. Return Electronic Ticket
- 4. Completed Visa Application Form (See Attachment I)

Information on the list of relevant Guyanese diplomatic/consular missions abroad can be found at the following links: Missions - https://www.minfor.gov.gy/diplomatic-consular-services/missions. An Honorary Consuls - https://www.minfor.gov.gy/diplomatic-consular-services/missions.

All participants must travel with a passport valid for at least 6 months from the date of entry into the country.

To facilitate the issuance of visas, the Secretariat will issue, upon request, invitation letters to be attached to the visa applications.

7. Travel and Health requirements

All participants should ensure compliance with the travel requirements for Guyana (see Guidelines for travelling to Guyana – CJIA (www.cjairport-gy.com), and in-transit Countries prior to travel. It is also recommended that participants ensure that their Yellow Fever vaccination, which should be part of their travel documentation, was issued within the last ten years.

8. Hotel information

Participants are kindly reminded that they have to MAKE THEIR OWN HOTEL RESERVATIONS as soon as possible. A listing of hotels in the vicinity of the workshop venue can be found below in Annex I below.

Further information on hotels and tourism in Georgetown can be found at the following link: http://www.guyana-tourism.com/.

A non-exhaustive list of Hotels in Georgetown and their rates can be found at **Attachment II**. Note that all rates are quoted in US dollars, are subject to change without notice and are based on availability.

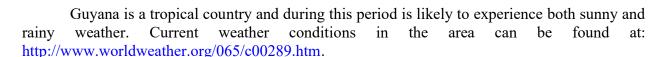
9. Payment of the Daily Subsistence Allowances (DSA)

Funded participants will receive their DSA on the first day of the workshop.

10. Official language in Guyana

The official language in Guyana is English.

11. Weather and time zone information



The standard time zone will be GMT/UTC -4 hours.

12. Electricity

The electrical currents in Guyana are 110 and 240 Volts, 60 Hertz a (two-pin flat and vertical with a ground connection).



13. Currency



The currency in use in Guyana is the Guyanese Dollar (GYD). Participants are advised to consult the hotel receptionist for further advice on currency exchange if necessary. The approximate exchange rate is US \$1.00 = G\$200 (Guyanese Dollars) and $1 \in G\$195$.

14. Safety

It is recommended that persons move around in groups, especially at night. When leaving the hotel, it is advisable to notify someone of your location and we suggest that you use authorized taxis whenever necessary.

15. Disclaimer

The CBD Secretariat disclaims all responsibilities for medical, accident and travel insurances, for compensation for death or disability compensation, for loss of or damage to personal property and for any other losses that may be incurred during travel time or the period of participation. In this context, it is strongly recommended that participants will secure international medical, accident and travel insurances for the period of participation prior to departure.

GUYANA IMMIGRATION SERVICE VISA APPLICATION FORM



A - PERSONAL DETAILS									
1. Mr. Mrs. Miss Ms. Other (please specify)									
Surname	Surname Maiden Name								
Given Names									
Other Names if Any									
Date of Birth (yy mm dd)	Marital Status 🛛 Single 📋 Married 🔠 Other								
Place of Birth	-	Country of Birth							
Nationality		Occupation							
Height Complexion		Colour of Hair Colour of			Eye Distinguish Mark				
B - PASSPORT INFORMA	ATION								
Passport No.	Date of Issue (yy mm de	d) Issuing Cour		g Country	Expiry Date (yy mm dd)				
				<u> </u>	-				
C - ADDRESS					I				
Home Address (in full)									
Intended Address									
Local Tele no.		e-mail:							
D - VISIT INFORMATION									
Have you ever visited Guyana before Yes No If Yes – reason and Date									
What is the Purpose of Yo	our visit	Studen	t 📗	Business		Employment			
If Business/Employment (State Agent/name of employer)									
Business									
Employer									
Student (State Institution)									
Have you ever been tested for serious medical illness Yes No						No □			
Have you ever been convicted for any criminal offence						⊔ 			
Have you ever been arrested for any criminal offence Have you ever been involved in narcotic activities						<u>Ц</u> П			
Have you ever been involved in narcotic activities									
When are you due to arrive in Guyana									
How long do you intend	•	Day		Week		Month			

are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
Signature of Applicant
Date of Application
NOTE Failure to disclose the true purpose of applying for a visa or the submission of false information will result in refusal of entry or expulsion from Guyana
OFFICIAL USE ONLY
PHOTO
Valid Until
Single Multiple Entry
Date of Issue
Officer Signature

I certify that I have read and understand all the above questions and answers I have given on this form

HOTEL RATES – GEORGETOWN – GUYANA (GEO-GY) 2024



Brandsville 88-90 Pike Street Campbellville, Georgetown

Tel. No. (592) 226-1133/227-0989

E-mail: info@brandsvillegy.com

Standard Room (Single with b/fast) \$129.00

King Room (Single with b/fast) \$162.00

Apartment (No breakfast) \$110.00

NB: Rates include Wi-Fi internet access and 14% VAT.

Contact: Kenisha Branford



Brandsville Suites 48 Croal Street Stabroek, Georgetown

Tel. No. (592) 223-0301/0291

E-mail: reservations@brandsvillesuites.com

info@brandsvillesuites.com

Standard Room (Single) \$88.00 (Corporate)

Executive Suite (Single) \$105.00 (Corporate)

NB: Rates <u>include</u> Continental Breakfast, Wi-Fi internet access and are subject to VAT.

Contact: Ronesha Marshall; Gloria Ikwunze



Cara Lodge 294 Quamina Street South Cummingsburg, Georgetown

Tel. No. (592) 225-5301-9/(592)-624-2272 (WhatsApp)

Fax No. (592) 225-5310

E-mail: <u>reservations@caralodge.com</u>

www.carahotels.com

55.00
70.00
75.00
90.00
375.00
90.00

NB: Rates include Wi-Fi internet access and are subject to VAT.

Contact: Travis Reece



Grand Coastal Inn 2 Area M PlantationLe Ressouvenir,
East Coast Demerara

Tel. No. (592) 220-2091 **Fax No**. (592) 220-1498

E-mail: frontdesk@grandcoastal.com

www.grandcoastal.com

Standard / (Single Occupancy) \$150.00 Deluxe (Double Occupancy) \$175.00

NB: Rates are inclusive of Breakfast, Local Landline calls, Wi-Fi internet access and limited cable TV. Rates are subject to VAT.

Contact: Daniel Pereira



Guyana Marriott Hotel Georgetown

Block Alpha, Battery Road, Kingston, Georgetown **Tel. No.** (592) 231-1870

E-mail: <u>mhrs.geomc.reservations@marriotthotels.com</u>

www.marriott.com/geomc

Standard Deluxe Single (City View) – no breakfast\$249.00Standard Deluxe Single (Ocean View) – no breakfast\$269.00Executive Single (City View) – with breakfast\$299.00Executive Single (Ocean View) – with breakfast\$319.00

NB: All rates are subject to VAT.

Complimentary in-room Wi-Fi internet access for Marriott Rewards members.

To access corporate rate, log on to www.marriott.com/geomc click on 'special rates', select 'corporate/promotional code'; enter code: G9Y

Contact: Saudia Nurmahamad



Herdmanston Lodge

65 Peter Rose & Anira Streets, Oueenstown, Georgetown **Tel. No.** (592) 225-0808; (592)-231-7904 /(592)-618-0808

E-mail: guestcare@hl.gy

www.hl.gy

Economy double \$99.00
Classic king double \$159.00
Executive queen double \$175.00
Executive king (balcony) double \$195.00
Junior suite (4 persons max) \$155.00

NB: Rates include breakfast.

Contact: Joshua Harris; Reanna Chase



Tel. No. (592) 226-1684/7

E-mail: reservations@kingshotel.gy

www.kingshotel.gy

Standard King/Twin/Double \$193.80

NB: Rate includes Wi-Fi internet access and 14% VAT.

Contact: Marcia Savory

King's Hotel & Residences

176 Middle & Waterloo Streets, Georgetown



Pegasus Hotel Seawall Road Kingston, Georgetown

Tel. No. (592) 225-2853/2855/2859

Fax No. (592) 225-3703

E-mail: reservations@pegasushotelguyana.com

Standard King Room (Single-Tower Block) \$240.00 Pegasus Junior Suite \$500.00

NB: Rates include buffet breakfast and Wi-Fi internet access.



Ramada Georgetown **Princess Hotel**

Track 'BS' Block 2 Plantation Providence, East Bank Demerara

Tel. No. (592) 265-7001-30 Reservations: (592) 265-7004 Ext. 104

Contact: Melissa Sookdeo

E-mail: reservations@ramadageorgetown.com

Standard Single King/Queen \$130.00 Standard Double King/Queen \$155.00 **Executive Single** \$150.00 Corner suite King \$230.00 Presidential Suite \$420.00

NB: Rates include Complimentary Breakfast, free access to Gym, Pool and Casino, Wi-Fi internet access, cable TV and parking.

Contact: Kamini Dass



Roraima Duke Lodge

94-95 Duke Street Kingston, Georgetown

Tel. No. (592) 231-7220; 227-1223/(592)-600-5280

Fax No. (592) 225-9646

E-mail: roraimadukelodge@gmail.com

debbiegouveia@gmail.com www.roraimaairways.com

Standard Room (Single) \$120.00 Standard Room (Double) \$155.00

NB: Rates include hot breakfast and wifi.

Debbie Gouveia **Contact:**



SleepIn International Hotel & Casino

288 – 289 Church Street, Queenstown, Georgetown **Tel. No.** (592) 223-4603/4608/4611/4612

E-mail: reservations@sleepinhotelandcasino.com

Standard single\$90.00Standard double\$110.002-bedroom apartment\$200.00Studio apartment\$100.00

NB: Rates include breakfast.

All rooms are air-conditioned with hot and cold water, refrigerator, television and microwave.

Contact: Zeena Paul



Unique Apartments
10 Crown Dam, Industry
East Coast Demerara

Tel. No. (592) 227-7000/640-1153/671-3535

Email: camacho.frankie@uniquegroupgy.com
sumair.reuel@uniquegroupgy.com
www.uniquegroupgy.com

Hotel type standard room \$115.00 Compact one bedroom suite \$145.00 Standard One bedroom unit \$170.00 Two bedroom unit \$205.00 Studio suite \$145.00

NB: Rates include Wi-Fi internet, gym facility, access to laundry room, cable TV, and are subject to VAT. Discounts available for stays between 3-30 days. Rates for longer stays above 30 days available upon request.

Contact: Frankie Camacho; Reuel Sumair

General Notes:

- 1. Set out above is a non-exhaustive list of hotels in the Georgetown area- rates quoted in USD;
- 2. All rates are subject to change without notice and are based on availability;
- 3. Rates quoted are for transient bookings only; check with hotels directly for group booking requests;
- All reservations must be made directly with hotels using the e-mail addresses listed, with the exception of the Guyana Marriott Georgetown, which may be done online as per the guidelines provided;
- 5. A valid credit card is required for room guarantee;
- 6. Rates are subject to 14% VAT if not stated.

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