

## Closing Ceremony International Year of Water Cooperation 5-6 December 2013, Mexico City

### Conference & Venue

Please note that the Closing Ceremony will take place in **two** different venues:

- **5 December 2013**  
**Museo de Nacional de Antropología**  
Auditorio Jaime Torres Bodet  
Av. Paseo de la Reforma y Gandhi s/n, Col. Chapultepec Polanco. Delegación Miguel Hidalgo, C.P. 11560. Mexico, D.F.
- **6 December 2013**  
**Palacio de Minería**  
Patio Central  
Calle de Tacuba No.5, Col. Centro. Delegación Cuauhtémoc, C.P. 06000. Mexico D.F.

**Registration** opens at both venues at 8am

#### Conference begins:

Thursday, 5th December 9:30am

Friday, 6th December 9:15am

**Languages of the Conference:** Simultaneous interpretation will be available in Spanish, English and French.

### Hotel Accommodation

We recommend the following hotel:

#### Camino Real Polanco México

Mariano Escobedo 700 Col. Anzures. C.P. 11590. Mexico D.F.

Tel.: + 52 (55) 52 63 88 88 Fax: + 52 (55) 52 63 88 89

<http://www.caminoreal.com/destinos/polanco>.

**Reservations:** The hotel is offering a special rate to all participants. When making your reservation, please indicate the group code: **CONAGUA**

[Martha.zamora@caminoreal.com.mx](mailto:Martha.zamora@caminoreal.com.mx)

**Check-in** is open:

- Tuesday, 3 December from 3pm
- Wednesday, 4th December 9am – 6pm

### Transport to the Venue

1. Shuttle buses will leave the Camino Real Polanco Mexico Hotel for both venues at the following times:  
7:30am, 7:50am and 8:10am

2. Taxis are also available from the hotel to both venues.

### Emergency Phone Numbers (English and Spanish)

*In case of emergency (only), please contact:*

- Ms Claudia Coria (00 52 5) 51 74 44 61 or 51 74 44 62
- Ms Zyanya Lopez Palacios (00 52 5) 51 74 44 00 ext. 1313 or 1083



## General Information

### 1. **Entry Requirements for Mexico**

Participants holding a Diplomatic Passport do not require a visa to enter Mexico. We recommend you consult the Consulate or Embassy of Mexico in your respective countries to check if you need to apply for a visa. More information can be found at <http://www.sre.gob.mx/serviciosconsulares/index.php/es/visas>

### 2. **Mexico City International Airport (AICM)**

Delegates should arrive at Mexico City International Airport:

Address:

Capitán Carlos León s/n

Colonia Peñón de los Baños

Delegación Venustiano Carranza

15620 Mexico, D.F.

Tel: 2482-2424 or 2482-2400

[www.aicm.com.mx/home.php](http://www.aicm.com.mx/home.php)

### 3. **Voltage**

Electrical appliances in Mexico run on 110 volts.

### 4. **Currency**

The official currency in Mexico is the Peso.

The exchange rate varies and is currently at approximately \$13.18 per U.S. dollar MXN.

## Mexico City

### 1. **Location**

Mexico City is highly privileged, offering what few other cities can: culture, nature, tourist sites, educational and medical services, religious sites, entertainment and nightlife. Located in central Mexico (99 ° 09 'west longitude, 19 ° 24" north latitude, GMT -6), the city is surrounded by mountains and can be found on the site of an ancient lake, at an average altitude of 2,300m above sea level.

### 2. **Language**

Spanish is the official language spoken by most of the city's inhabitants. However, given its pre-Hispanic roots, you can regularly hear indigenous languages such as Nahuatl, Zapotec or Mixtec, as well as foreign languages - mainly English, Chinese, Korean, French or German.

### 3. **Population**

The population of Mexico City is 17.6 million people, approximately 17% of the total population of the country.

### 4. **Climate**

In December, temperatures in Mexico City range between 5°C (41°F) and 17°C (62.6°F).

### 5. **Transport Airport - Hotel**

The distance from the International Airport to the city center is roughly 15 miles and takes around 30 minutes by taxi.

We recommend using authorized taxi services from Mexico City International Airport; their offices can be found inside the airport building. These services operate with fixed rates and the price for the distance to the proposed hotel is around \$152.00 pesos (\$12.00 USD). Taxis can be found at gates 1 and 10 in Terminal 1 and gates 3 and 4 in Terminal 2.



For transport to other sites around Mexico City, we recommend using authorized taxi services. Either ask at your hotel for a shuttle service or use one of the taxi services below:

- Taximex: 5538-1440 y 5519-7690
- Servi-Taxi: 52 71 25 60
- Radio Servicios Móviles de Transporte: 5771-4012; 5771-0130; 5760-4696 or 5551-7710
- Taxi Radio Mex: 5584-0571 or 5574-459
- Servitaxis: 5516-6020
- Radio Maxi Seguridad: 5768-8557 or 5768 8553

## 6. Schedules

The time zone corresponds to GMT -6 in the winter months.

- Activity/Business in the city generally begins at 5am until after 12pm.
- Most shopping centers and services are open from 9am to 8pm, Monday to Sunday.
- The banks are open for a shorter time - from 9am to 4pm Monday to Friday. However, there is an extensive network of ATMs.
- The vast majority of museums and tourist sites are open from 9am to 5pm, Tuesday to Sunday, when many of them are free.
- Public transport services operate from 5am to 12pm.

## 7. Emergency Numbers

Emergency services: Civil Protection, Police, Ambulance, Fire:	066
Assistance to victims of crime	01 800 007 45 33
Major emergencies	56 83 22 22
Red Cross	065
Tourist helpline	078
If you have a road accident, contact the "Green Angels"	(55) 52 50 82 21

**¡Bienvenido a la ciudad de México!**

