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To: States, Territories and International Organizations

Subject: **Retransmission of Invitation — Twenty-fourth CAR/SAM Regional Bird/Wildlife Hazard Prevention Committee Meeting and Conference. (CARSAMPAF/24)**
Ilopango, San Salvador, El Salvador, from 20 to 23 October 2026.

Action

- Required:
- 1) **Take note and register participants by 18 September 2026**
 - 2) **Inform if you will submit a presentation by 18 September 2026**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to inform your Administration that the CAR/SAM Regional Bird/Wildlife Hazard Prevention Committee (CARSAMPAF) is organizing its Twenty-fourth Meeting and Conference. (CARSAMPAF/24) to be held in Ilopango, San Salvador, El Salvador, from 20 to 23 October 2026.

CARSAMPAF is an independent contributory body of the CAR/SAM Regional Planning and Execution Group (GREPECAS), and its events are supported by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO); therefore, two duly accredited representatives from each State/Territory will be exempt from any participation fees for this event.

Within the framework of this year's conference, the CARSAMPAF General Assembly is being held to elect members of the new Board of Directors and Technical Support Group, as well as to update the internal operational documents. Kindly note that final confirmation of the date and time of the General Assembly will be sent directly to those meeting the eligibility criteria. For additional information, please contact: secretaria@comitecarsampaf.com

This joint event also aims to facilitate the participation of representatives from Civil Aviation Authorities, public and private aerodrome operators, airlines, ACI-LAC, IATA, IFALPA, service providers, experts in wildlife risk management at airports from various parts of the world. Accordingly, the central theme of this Conference will be "Regulation and Certification: Wildlife Management Challenges for States and Aerodromes."

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The working languages of the events will be English and Spanish, and simultaneous interpretation services will be provided during all the event. Participants must complete their online registration at: <https://forms.gle/ThmcdqMGM2FeoNBP9> by **18 September 2026**.

In the **Appendix** you will find the General information including the recommended hotels and other data of your interest. Participants must make their reservations directly and in a timely manner.

Likewise, your Administration is invited to contribute with the event programme with a presentation related to its theme. In case you confirm your participation as speaker, please send the following information:

1. Presentation title (it is recommended that the presentation be of maximum 25 minutes).
2. A summary of up to 500 words, including a short introduction, objectives, applied methodology, main results, and conclusion.
3. Digital copy of the presentation in Power Point/PDF.
4. Brief résumé or Curriculum Vitae summary.

For such purpose, the presentations should be sent to secretaria@comitecarsampaf.com with copy to vicepresidencial@comitecarsampag.com by **18 September 2026**. Each presentation will be subjected to analysis by a technical-scientific team, which will issue a report on the acceptance or rejection of your presentation. This data will be included in the final agenda.

Accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.


Christopher Barks
Regional Director
North American, Central American and
Caribbean (NACC) Regional Office

Enclosure: *As indicated*

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Twenty- fourth CAR/SAM Regional Bird/Wildlife Hazard Prevention Committee Meeting and Conference. CARSAMPAF-24

Ilopango, San Salvador. El Salvador, October 20th to 23rd, 2026.

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Event date and venue:

The Twenty-Fourth Meeting of the Regional Bird Strike and Wildlife Hazard Prevention Committee – CARSAMPAF/24 will be held in San Salvador, El Salvador, from October 20 to 23, 2026, at the Multipurpose Hall (SUM), at the Civil Aviation Authority Multipurpose Hall (SUM), Civil Aviation Authority facilities, Ilopango.

Sponsorship and support:

The Civil Aviation Authority, El Salvador (CAA) and the CARSAMPAF Committee jointly coordinate the sponsorship of the event in accordance with previously agreed upon requirements and the support of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO).

2. Venue address and contact information:

Location in El Salvador: Multipurpose Hall (SUM), Civil Aviation Authority facilities located at 9.5 kilometers, Pan-American Highway (adjacent to the San Bartolo Free Zone), Ilopango, San Salvador, El Salvador, C.A.

Contact Information - Event Coordination:

- Karine Montoya, Head of Communications: +503 7986-6363
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3. Inaugural session:

- **Meeting of the Board of Directors and Technical Support Group (GAT), CARSAMPAF:**
Monday, October 19, 2026 from 09:30 to 12:00.
- **General Assembly Meeting:**
During this year's conference, the CARSAMPAF will hold its General Assembly to elect a new Board of Directors, Technical Support Group, and to update its internal operational regulations. The date and time will be confirmed directly to eligible attendees who register for the meeting. This General Assembly shall be attended by one, (1), State representative from each Civil Aviation Authority and one, (1), delegate from each Organization currently in good standing with CARSAMPAF. For further information, please write to: secretaria@comitecarsampaf.com
- **Opening and inauguration of the Meeting/Conference:**
Participant registration and the opening of the Conference will commence on Tuesday, October 20, 2026, at the Multipurpose Hall (SUM), Civil Aviation Authority facilities, Ilopango, at 08:30 a.m.

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The event organizers will provide identification badges during the registration period. Participants are therefore asked to kindly wear the identification badges throughout the event.

4. Language and documentation:

Simultaneous translation in both the Spanish and English languages will be available throughout the Conference.

5. Online registration of participants:

Registration may be completed online using the following link: <https://forms.gle/ThmcdqMGM2FeoNBP9>

Participants are required to submit a certification accrediting them as representatives of a Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) or other relevant entity. Kindly send this information via email to the **CARSAMPAF Secretariat**, secretaria@comitecarsampaf.com, and/or to the ICAO Regional Offices (NACC, icaonacc@icao.int and SAM, icaosam@icao.int) to which the State is accredited, no later than September 18, 2026.

The cost of participation in the conference will be **USD 230.00 until August 14, 2026. Thereafter, starting August 15, 2026, the fee will be USD 260.00.** Please note that in order to secure registration as a participant in the conference, this fee must be paid in advance via authorized methods. **The following are exempt from this payment:** Also two, (2), accredited representatives from each Civil Aviation Authority, as well as representatives from International Organizations and honorary members of the CARSAMPAF Committee, **are exempt from this fee.** Lastly, a 10% discount will be applied to the total cost for entities that register five, (5), or more participants.

For additional information regarding payments or any special circumstances, regarding this matter please contact us at: adminfinanciera@comitecarsampaf.com or visit our website: [Pay Online | CARSAMPAF Committee](#)

6. Contact information for event coordinators:

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8. Temperature:

During the month of October, the temperature in El Salvador varies between **23 °C and 32 °C (73 °F and 90 °F)**, with generally warm weather and conditions typical of the rainy season. ☁️. Rainfall is possible in the afternoon and evening, so participants are advised to take appropriate precautions.

9. Transportation:

The Civil Aviation Authority, (CAA), El Salvador will provide transportation throughout the event as per prior coordination. In this regard, three, (3), minibuses will be available as follows:

- One, (1), minibus with a capacity of 21 passengers
- Two, (2), minibuses with a capacity of 15 passengers each

This service will be available for the transportation of participants from the hotels prescribed - in the Lodging section of this document - to the event venue. Additionally, transportation will be available to accommodate other activities previously defined and coordinated with the organizing team. Kindly note that since space in the minibuses is limited; seats will be assigned on a first-come-first-served basis. Also, one week prior to the event, a detailed route and schedule information will be shared. Therefore, participants who are unable to secure a seat will need to make their own arrangements for transportation to and from the venue.

10. Requirements - Passport, visa, and vaccination:

A valid passport is required to enter El Salvador. Depending on the visitor's nationality, an entry visa may also be necessary, in accordance with the established immigration regulations in the country. Travelers are advised to verify specific requirements for their country of origin prior to their departure.

Regarding health requirements, no mandatory vaccinations are currently required to enter El Salvador; however, travelers are encouraged to stay informed about current health recommendations prior to their trip.

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For further information, please consult the nearest Embassy or Consulate of El Salvador.

11. Currency and credit cards:

The legal tender in El Salvador is the **United States dollar (USD)**. **Credit and debit cards** (Visa, MasterCard, and others) are widely accepted in hotels, restaurants, and shops.

Currency exchange is not necessary for visitors from countries that use USD; otherwise, such transactions are recommended solely at **authorized banks or currency exchange offices**.

12. Hospitals / Clinics:

In the event that the need for medical attention arises, the following hospitals are recommended:

HOSPITAL	ADDRESS	DISTANCE	TELEPHONE
Hospital Nacional de San Bartolo	Ilopango, San Salvador	Approximately 10 minutes' drive from the event venue	+503 2201-3100
Hospital Nacional El Salvador	Alameda Juan Pablo II y Av. De la Revolución, San Salvador	Approximately 25 minutes' drive from the event venue	+503 2594-2100
Hospital de Diagnóstico – Colonia Escalón	Villavicencio Plaza, Paseo General Escalón, San Salvador	Approximately 30 minutes' drive from the event venue	+503 2506-2000
Hospital Bautista	23 avenida Sur #128, San Salvador	Approximately 28 minutes' drive from the event venue	+503 2231-0400
Hospital Pro-Familia	25 avenida Norte, San Salvador	Approximately 25 minutes' drive from the event venue.	+503 2132-8100

13. Electricity:

The electrical system in El Salvador operates at **110 volts / 60 Hz**, with **Type A and Type B outlets** (U.S. standard). Therefore, adapters are not required for devices from countries using the same connector type. Where this is not the case, a universal adapter is recommended.

14. Airport tax:

Airport fees and taxes are generally included in the final price of the airline ticket. Any additional charges, if applicable, will be communicated directly by the corresponding airline.

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15. Lodging:

Participants must make their reservations directly with the hotel.

HOTELS IN THE AREA	
a)	Sheraton Presidente San Salvador Hotel Avenida De la Revolución, San Salvador Telephone: +503 2283-4000 Sheraton Presidente San Salvador Hotel Elevated Modern Hotel
b)	Barceló San Salvador Bulevar del Hipódromo, San Salvador Telephone: +503 2268-4545 https://www.barcelo.com › es-es › barcelo-san-salvador
c)	Cardedeu Suites Avenida La Capilla #223, Colonia San Benito, San Salvador Telephone: +503 2217-1200 Cardedeu Suites Suites in San Salvador
d)	AAC Lodging (Ilopango) Pan-American Highway, Kilometer 9½, next to the San Bartolo Free Zone, Ilopango, San Salvador Telephone: +503 2564-4507 AAC Accommodation

The use of the suggested hotels is not mandatory. Participants are therefore free to choose their preferred accommodations and arrange their own transportation to the event venue.

NOTE:

This event is supported by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) with institutional backing from the Civil Aviation Authority (AAC) of El Salvador.

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