# THE AMERICAS CONFERENCE ON SOLAR RADIATION MODIFICATION: THE SCIENCE & IMPLICATIONS FOR THE REGION

24-25 August 2022 University of the West Indies Kingston, Jamaica

## **LOGISTICAL INFORMATION**

## 1. Venue

The Americas Conference on Solar Radiation Modification will be held from 24 to 25 August 2022, in Kingston, Jamaica, at the Regional Headquarters of The University of the West Indies which is located in Mona, Kingston 7.

Website: https://www.mona.uwi.edu/

# 2. Lodging

Travel and accommodation is available for IAI Party representatives from low and middle income countries, and for speakers. The rates shown below are for the dates: August 23-26, 2022. Participants wishing to stay in the hotel for additional days outside of the specified dates may need to re-negotiate the nightly rate offered below.

To secure your accommodation at either of the recommended hotels, please email directly the hotel contact listed with the following information:

- Name of Participant:
- Dates of Hotel Arrival & Departure (length of stay):
- Room Type: Deluxe
- Discount Code: "IAI SRM Meeting August 24 & 25, 2022"
- \*Group Code: 390629 (for Courtleigh Hotel only)

Please do not book your rooms through the website, as this will not include the discount rate offered.

Recommended Hotels in Kingston			
Hotel/Address	Rate & Contact Information	Additional Information	
THE COURTLEIGH HOTEL AND SUITES Kingston, Jamaica	USD 173.20/per night (23rd-25th) (includes Breakfast) + \$48 each for Dinner	https://www.courtleigh.com/	

85 Knutsford Boulevard, Kingston 5	Discount Reference: "IAI SRM Meeting – August 24 & 25, 2022"	
courtleigh.com	Group Rate Code: 390629	
	Contact Email: sales@courtleigh.com	
	Phone: O 876.929.9000 D 876.936.3570	
COURTYARD BY	USD 209.86 each	
MARRIOTT	(includes Breakfast for	
Kingston, Jamaica	1) + \$48 (include Tax)	https://www.marriott.com/en-
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Rates are subject to availability.

# 3. Travel and Transportation

The main airport in the city of Kingston is the Norman Manley International Airport, for local and international flights. <a href="https://nmia.aero/">https://nmia.aero/</a>

For security and reliability, we recommend that you use taxis operated by the Jamaica Union of Travelers Association (JUTA) which is a service approved by the airport authorities. Their dispatcher can usually be found at the JUTA desk which is located just within the exit doors of the arrival section of the airport. We however, recommend that you contact them at 876-927-4536 (8:30a.m to -6:00p.m) or via email at <jutakc2@gmail.com> to pre-book transportation from the airport to the hotel. Arrangements can also be made in advance for your return to the airport on the day of your departure.

The JUTA fare for each taxi from the airport to the recommended hotels in Kingston is approximately \$35.00 USD (one to two persons) with an additional \$10.00 USD for each additional person.

https://www.jutataxiandtoursjamaica.com/JamaicanAirportTransfers\_1.html

## 4. Language

The conference/meeting will be held in English with translation services in Spanish.

## 5. Visas

Please, verify your visa requirements at the website of the Passport, Immigration and Citizenship Agency (PICA): <a href="https://www.pica.gov.jm/immigration/entry-visa-requirements">https://www.pica.gov.jm/immigration/entry-visa-requirements</a>

Check the vaccines and medicines list and visit your doctor at least a month before your trip to get vaccines or medicines you may need. https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/traveler/none/jamaica

#### 6. COVID-19 and Yellow Fever Information

Effective April 16, 2022, travellers to Jamaica are no longer required to present a negative Covid-19 test result to board flights to the destination.

All travellers arriving in Jamaica may be tested for COVID-19 if assessed as high-risk as a result of exhibiting symptoms, exposure to persons who have tested positive, belonging to a high-risk group or other risk factors. Travellers may be screened for symptoms at the airport. The immigration officer will decide whether or not entry will be granted.

Passengers arriving within 6 days after leaving or transiting countries with risk of yellow fever transmission and not holding a yellow fever vaccination certificate are subject to medical screening upon arrival. The immigration officer will decide whether or not entry will be granted.

The above information is subject to change based on upsurges of the pandemic and/ or any other global concerns. We recommend that you check the following for any additional information required.

Please note the official entry requirements for Jamaican Nationals and Non-Nationals here: https://nmia.aero/notice-to-airlines-operating-in-jamaica-entry-requirements-for-jamaican-nationals-and-non-nationals-effective-april-16-2022/

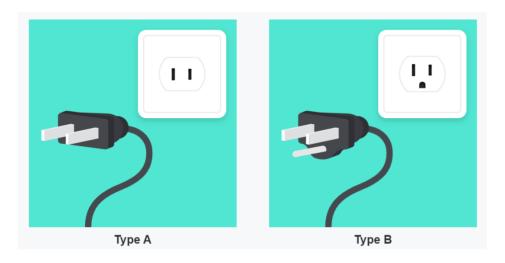
## 7. Additional Information

The local coordination of the meeting is directed by: Dr. Anne-Teresa Birthwright (annetbirthwright@dir.iai.int), Ms Soledad Noya (<u>Soledad@dir.iai.int</u>) and Ms Patricia Puertas (patricia@dir.iai.int).

## 8. Electricity

For Jamaica there are two associated plug types, types A and B.

Plug type A is the plug which has two flat parallel pins and plug type B is the plug which has two flat parallel pins and a grounding pin. Jamaica operates on a 110V supply voltage and 50Hz.



# 9. Currency

The **Jamaican dollar** (JMD\$) is the official currency of Jamaica.

Exchange rate is USD = JMD \$153.85 (subject to fluctuation). Up to date exchange rate at <a href="https://boj.org.jm/">https://boj.org.jm/</a>

United States of America Dollars are accepted in Jamaica.

## 10. Medical Service

Participants must cover their medical expenses. It is recommended that they take out travel health insurance and be fully vaccinated against Covid-19.

#### 11. Weather

In Jamaica, the climate is tropical, hot all year round, with little difference between winter and summer (just a few degrees). Over the course of the year, the temperature typically varies from 23°C to 32°C and is rarely below 21°C or above 33°C. The southern coast, where Kingston is located, is slightly warmer in the winter months, in fact the maximum temperature is around 30 °C (86 °F) even in January.

In the month of August, temperatures are usually warm with a relatively low chance of scattered showers. As the last month of summer, average temperature fluctuate between 32.7°C (90.9°F) and 24.2°C (75.6°F).

## 12. Tourist Information

If you wish to enjoy the city, suggested tour services include:

https://www.islandroutes.com/caribbean-tours/jamaica/ocho-rios/3507/kingston-highlight-city-tour

https://www.tropicaltripsjamaica.com/search-trips/kingston-jamaica-tours