Training on Routing, Networking, Security and on Operational Requirements for ISP & IP Network Operators in the Pacific Islands.

INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

Venue:

The Edgewater Resort, Rarotonga, Cook Islands

Telephone: (682) 254 35
Fax: (682) 254 75
Website: www.edgewater.co.ck

Transport from Airport to Hotels:
Transfers can be arranged at time of booking with the hotel, participants can specify as part of their accommodation booking.

If required, TCI could arrange for a shuttle to also meet participants.

Hotel Accommodation:

1. Edgewater Resort (conference venue)
2. Rarotonga Sunset Hotel (800m from Edgewater Resort) http://www.thesunsetresort.com/
3. Crown Beach Resort (800m from Edgewater Resort) http://www.crownbeach.com/
4. Manuia Beach Hotel (1.2km from Edgewater Resort) http://www.manuia.co.ck/
**Hotel Reservations:**

Best to use a liaison point in Telecom Cook Islands to ensure best rates available. Edgewater Resort has offered a discounted rate of NZD$145.00 for participants.

Please register with Lucia Pita (lucia@telecom.co.ck) for booking requirements.

**Hotel Check In & Check Out times:**

Check with hotels on booking, typically 10am check-out, 1pm check-in, but flexible upon request.

**Transport from Hotel to Meeting venue:**

Transport arrangements where applicable. Usually delegates are encouraged to stay in the recommended hotel and if delegates chose to stay elsewhere, then they find their own transport to the meeting venue.

**Registration:**

To take place at Conference Room of Edgewater Hotel

**Visa and Immigration Requirements:**

There are no special VISA requirements. A tourist entry visa (stamped on arrival) allows for at least one month stay. But check for visa requirements for travel *en route* to the Cook Islands (for example, if you are coming through New Zealand, or any other Pacific island country).

**Airport Tax:**

Departure tax to be paid at airport, NZD$30

**Currency:**

Currency used in Cook Islands is the New Zealand Dollar (NZD)

**Time:**

Local time is GMT -10, or Hawaiian Standard Time

**Electricity:**
NZ plug type, 220V

**Climate:**
June-July is typically the cooler (18° C – 24° C), and ‘winter’ period, so tends to be very cool at night. It is advisable to bring some light warm clothing (eg cardigan, light jacket).

**Communication Details:**
Country Code +682
Internet Access will be provided at no cost to delegates at the conference facility.

**Internet Access:**
IPASS dialup is available in the Cook Islands

**General Information about the city of the venue:**
http://www.cook-islands.gov.ck/

Maps
http://www.cook-islands.gov.ck/

**Dress**
Dress standard – Island casual - Ties discouraged

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