

London Group meeting in San José, Costa Rica on 17-20 October 2017

Meeting venue

The meeting will be hosted by the Central Bank of Costa Rica (BCCR) and will take place in the Holiday Inn Hotel in Escazú:

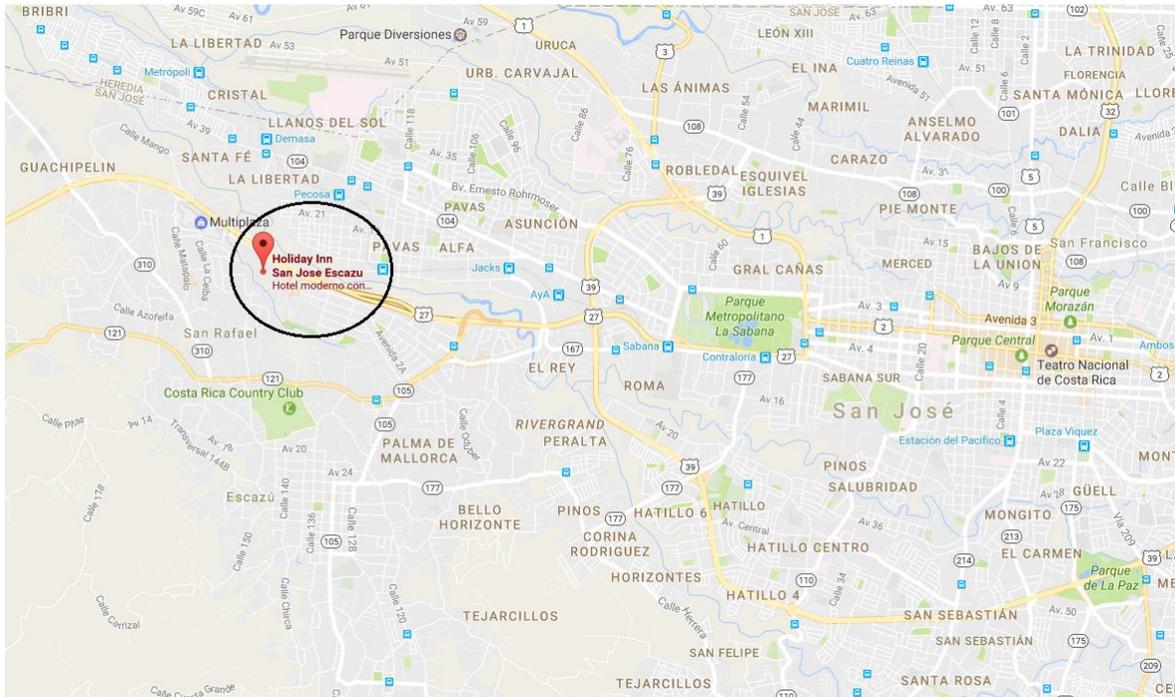
[Holiday Inn San José Escazú](#)

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Travel information

Juan Santamaría International Airport (SJO) is the main airport of Costa Rica. It is located in the city of Alajuela, 30 minutes away (~16 km) from the Holiday Inn hotel in Escazú. For transfers to and from the airport we recommend the use of airport taxis (orange color). These are located at the exit of the airport and their official name is "Taxis Unidos Aeropuerto". Alternatively, airport pickup and drop-off can be arranged via the hotel.

Accommodation

Participants must book their selected accommodation. The Holiday Inn hotel in Escazú has a special price for the participants attending the London Group meeting. Additionally we requested price information for other hotels nearby the location of the venue. A map of the location of the suggested hotels can be viewed [here](#).

Hotel	Website	Phone number	Standard room
Holiday Inn Escazú	https://www.ihg.com/holidayinn/hotels/us/en/san-jose/sjohi/hoteldetail	(+506) 2506-5057	119 USD
Marriot Courtyard	http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/sjocy-courtyard-san-jose-escazu/	(+506) 2588-4304	129 USD
Marriot Residence Inn	http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/sjori-residence-inn-san-jose-escazu/	(+506) 2588-4304	117 USD
Real Intercontinental	https://www.ihg.com/intercontinental/hotels/gb/en/san-jose/sjoha/hoteldetail	(+506) 2208-2100	160 USD
Wyndham Garden	https://www.wyndhamhotels.com/wyndham-garden/san-jose-costa-rica/wyndham-garden-san-jose-escazu/overview	(+506) 4031-9999	89 USD

Alternative accommodation could be any hotel near Escazú. We suggest to book hotels nearby the venue to avoid delays in attendance caused by traffic congestion during rush hour.

Visa

In order to enter the Costa Rican territory you must have a valid passport. For certain countries a visa is required upon entry. Please check [the following link](#) to know whether you require a visa to enter Costa Rica. If so, verify the information with the respective Embassy or Consulate of Costa Rica located in your country.

If you require a visa, we recommend to start the process as early as possible in order to obtain it in due time. Participants of the London Group Meeting needing a visa may contact the organization committee of BCCR at estadisticasambientales@bccr.fi.cr for a personalized invitation letter.

Yellow fever vaccine

If you are travelling to Costa Rica from South America or sub-Saharan Africa you will need the yellow fever vaccine. The countries considered at risk are: Angola, Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Democratic Republic of Congo, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Liberia, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Sudan, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Guyana and Venezuela. You can travel to Costa Rica 10 days after receiving the shot. Any individual traveling to Costa Rica that has been in transit,

whether in airports, sea ports, or land borders, in the following countries, will require a vaccination: Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Venezuela.

More information on visiting Costa Rica: www.visitcostarica.com