



Congress & Matchmaking, gala dinner (Tenue de ville)
February 14-15, 2017
Sonesta Maho Beach Resort, Sint Maarten

23rd trade mission

Connecting sustainable businesses from the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Caribbean region

InterExpo Caribbean organizes the 23rd trade mission on the Caribbean island of Sint Maarten. The trade mission includes a congress with more than 12 speakers and a matchmaking initiative. The mission's goal is to connect the business community from the Netherlands and the Caribbean part of the Kingdom to the Caribbean region. What are the opportunities that exist for entrepreneurs on the islands of Jamaica, Barbados and Trinidad? And what role can Sint Maarten play as a hub to the region?

Sustainability

The 23rd trade mission focuses on sustainable innovations and investments. Sustainable means striving to start long-term partnerships. Participants include companies, employers' organizations, the financial sector (trust and banking), industry associations and government authorities from the Netherlands, the Caribbean parts of the Kingdom and the Caribbean region. InterExpo cooperates closely with various Business Association in the region.

Entrepreneurs

A Dutch entrepreneur, active in fire safety and environmentally friendly technologies, explains why the trade mission on Sint Maarten is interesting: 'Dutch legislation is applicable to the windward islands of Saba and Sint Eustatius and these economies are thus very accessible for Dutch companies'. Other islands in the Caribbean region, such as Saint Vincent and Antigua, have also caught his attention.

Matchmaking

During the trade mission's matchmaking part, participants can engage in conversations on the development of new partnerships and seizing opportunities in their respective markets. InterExpo offers a customized service; using a clear profile, a "match" based on the specific business desires of a party will be pursued.

About InterExpo

InterExpo Caribbean N.V. has been organizing trade missions, congresses and events with an international character in the Caribbean, the Netherlands, Europe, Asia and North and Latin America since 1996. Previous events focused on wind and solar energy, tourism, construction industry, on- offshore, second homes, partnership, health, (fire) safety and environment, water management, (glass) recycling, financial services, transport (sea, air and road), telecommunications and sustainability in the Caribbean part of the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

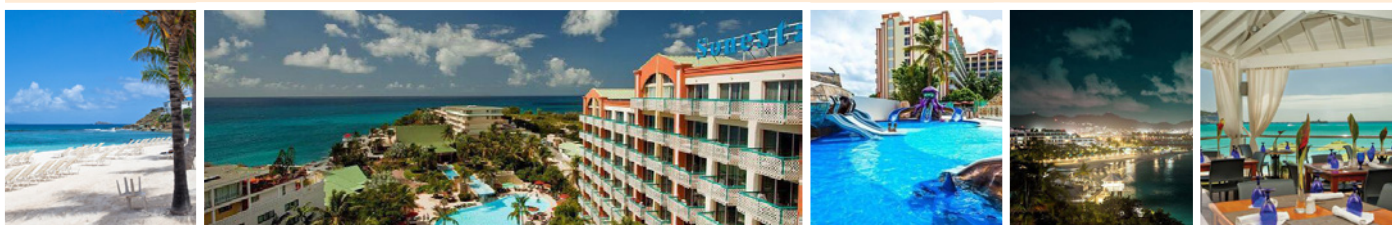
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February 16-17, 2017:
Business visit to
Sint Eustatius and Saba.



Location

The trade mission takes place at Sonesta Maho Beach Resort.
At <https://www.sonesta.com> you can find more information about this location.



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TENTATIVE PROGRAMME, SINT MAARTEN, TUESDAY FEBRUARI 14TH, 2017



TIME	PROGRAMME	SUBJECT
8:30	Registration. Secretariat InterExpo, Sonesta Maho Beach Resort	
9:30	Opening	
10:00 – 10:30	Drs. J.P. Bousaid, CEO Hakrinbank N.V, Suriname	<i>Outsourcing, a promising option for the Dutch Caribbean</i>
10:30 – 11:00	Diane Quarless, Director ECLAC Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean	<i>Sustainable business in the Caribbean</i>
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee Break	
11:30 – 12:00	Speaker to be advised	
12:00- 12:30	Speaker to be advised	
12:30 - 14:00	Network Lunch	
14:00- 17:00	Matchmaking, product presentations	
20:00 - 22:30	Dinner, Dresscode Tenue de Ville	

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME, SINT MAARTEN, WEDNESDAY FEBRUARI 15TH, 2017



TIME	PROGRAMME	SUBJECT
8:30	Registration, Secretariat InterExpo, Sonesta Maho Beach Resort	
10:00 – 10:30	Koos Sneek, President Chamber of Commerce and Industry Sint. Eustatius and Saba	<i>Opportunities and Challenges for doing business in St. Eustatius & Saba</i>
10:30 – 11:00	Mr..Dr. S.V.I. Ganpat, Chairman National Livestock & Agricultural Foundation Suriname (NALA)	<i>The Role of Suriname As A Solid Agro-Supplier to Guarantee Food Security in the Caribbean</i>
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee Break	
11:30 – 12:00	Speaker to be advised	
12:00 – 13:00	Entrepreneurs (Panel) debate: Theme “ Transportation between the Caribbean Islands and Suriname v.v. ”	
13:00 – 14:00	Network Lunch	
14:00 – 17:00	Matchmaking, product presentations	
17:00	Closing	

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME, SABA, THURSDAY FEBRUARI 16TH, 2017



TIME	PROGRAMME	SUBJECT
7:30	Departure from Sonesta to Airport, after checking in at the airport, will fly by Charter Winair to Saba	
9:00	Welcome, Vice President Mr.Wolfgang Tooten Chamber of Commerce and Industry Saba and St.Eustatius	
9:30	Matchmaking, product presentations, workshops	
12:30	Network Lunch	
13:30 - 17:00	Continuing of the program	
18:00	Departure to Sint.Eustatius	
18:15	Arrival airport Sint Eustatius	
18:30	Check-in hotel, free evening, Sint.Eustatius	

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME, SINT EUSTATIUS, FRIDAY FEBRUARI 17TH, 2017



TIME	PROGRAMME	SUBJECT
9:00	Welcome. President Mr.Koos Sneek, Chamber of Commerce and Industry Sint Eustatius and Saba	
9:30	Matchmaking, product presentations, workshops	
12:30	Network Lunch	
13:30 - 17:00	Continuing of the program	
18:00	Departure to St. Maarten	

Note: Transport to Sonesta hotel is available at arrival Airport.