



NINTH MEETING OF THE PARTIES TO ACCOBAMS

CROWNE PLAZA LIMASSOL BY IHG

LIMASSOL, CYPRUS

18th - 21st November 2025

MEETING VENUE



Crowne Plaza Limassol by IHG

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<https://limassol.crowneplaza.com/>

INTERPRETATION

Simultaneous interpretation will be available for the Meeting in the following languages: English & French.

DOCUMENTS

All Meeting Documents will be regularly uploaded and downloadable from the ACCOBAMS MOP9 dedicated webpage: www.accobams.org

OTHER INFORMATION

- The plenary sessions will be held in “Ballroom Suite A & B” on the Ground Floor.
- A Registration Desk will be located next to the reception lobby.
- There will be signs indicating the location of the registration desk and meeting rooms.
- Free WIFI access is available everywhere in the Hotel.
- Cyprus is kindly offering buffet lunch to all participants between the 18th and the 21st of November.
- The Government of the Republic of Cyprus will kindly host a gala dinner on the evening of Tuesday November 18th. Dress code for the gala dinner is business casual, and further information will be provided in due time.
- A cultural tour will be organised on Friday November 21st (after the morning Plenary session), and more information will be provided in due course.



DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES
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REGISTRATION OF THE DELEGATES

Delegates are kindly invited to register themselves as soon as they arrive at the Meeting venue. The registration desk is located next to the reception lobby and will be available as follows:

Monday 17th November: 4.00 pm - 6.00 pm (registration)

Tuesday 18th November: 8.00 am - 9.00 am (registration)

Should you require any assistance during your stay please contact the ACCOBAMS Secretariat.

BADGES

Badges will be issued to delegates upon registration. For security reasons, all participants are requested to wear their badge at all times during ACCOBAMS MOP9 sessions and during organised events and activities planned to take place outside of the main venue.

ACCOMODATION IN LIMASSOL (CYPRUS)

The information below is for Participants NOT financially supported by ACCOBAMS.

Accommodation is to be arranged by participants themselves.

ROOM RESERVATIONS

A batch of twenty (20) rooms with a preferential rate have been pre-reserved on a bed and breakfast basis at the Crowne Plaza Limassol by IHG until September 19th, 2025.

Room Types & Rates:

- Standard City View Room (Single or Double): €180 per night
- Premium Sea View Room with Balcony (Single or Double): €220 per night

Booking Terms for Individual Travelers (not covered by ACCOBAMS):

- Travelers must make their own reservations and secure the booking with a valid credit card
- Reservations must be sent via email to reservations@cplimassol.com with the **reference code: ACCOBAMS MOP9**
- A non-refundable deposit equal to one night's stay will be charged at the time of booking
- Rates are valid for a minimum stay of three nights
- Additional rooms beyond the allocated number may be available upon request, subject to availability

The period of November is very much on demand in terms of accommodation. It is therefore recommended to book accommodation well in advance.

Various hotels are available at the Limassol tourist area, some of which within walking distances to the meeting venue.

TRANSPORTATION TO & IN CYPRUS

There are 2 airports in the Republic of Cyprus:

- **Larnaca International Airport** is Cyprus' main international airport and the larger of the two commercial airports in the area
- **Paphos International Airport** is located on the island's southwestern coast and is one of the busiest airports in the Middle East.

Once in Cyprus, the main options to travel are by car/taxi or bus. Cyprus does not have a train/metro or underground transport system. Visitors are advised to always confirm itineraries and prices with the appropriate company before travelling, as these are subject to alterations.

FROM LARNACA AIRPORT TO LIMASSOL - ACCOBAMS MOP9 VENUE

1. By Taxi:

A taxi from Larnaca (LCA) International Airport to Limassol, costs approximately €70 to €80. This price is fixed and applies regardless of the time of day, weekend, or national holidays. You can also book 6-seater taxis that cost around €120. You can find a taxi at the airport (always available outside the arrivals halls) or book in advance.

There is also an option for sharing an intercity taxi through Travel and Express company (<https://travelexpress.com.cy/>). For information: taxi@travelexpress.com.cy , Tel: +357 77 77 74 74.

2. With Larnaca airport bus shuttle

There is an airport shuttle bus service, [Limassol Airport Express](https://limassolairportexpress.eu/), that covers Larnaca International Airport to Limassol. The one-way ticket costs €10 per person.

More information on the timetables can be found here: <https://limassolairportexpress.eu/>

The bus stop in Limassol is opposite the St. Raphael, Grand Resort, Kanika Elias Beach Hotels (approximately 14km from the ACCOBAMS MOP9 Venue).

From there, you can take the EMEL Limassol Bus #30 (Direction MY MALL) from the Paradromos Amathountos - Elias Hotel stop. Exit the bus at the Promachon Eleutherias- KEAN 1 stop. The bus ticket (2€) can be purchased directly from the bus driver. The ACCOBAMS MOP9 Venue is 400m away (5 min walk) from the KEAN bus stop.



FROM PAFOS AIRPORT TO LIMASSOL - ACCOBAMS MOP9 VENUE

1. By Taxi:

A taxi from Pafos (PFO) International Airport to Limassol, costs approximately €70 to €80. This price is fixed and applies regardless of the time of day, weekend, or national holidays. You can also book 6-seater taxis that cost around €120. You can find a taxi at the airport (always available outside the arrivals halls) or book in advance.

There is also an option for sharing an intercity taxi through Travel and Express company (<https://travelexpress.com.cy/>). For information: taxi@travelexpress.com.cy, Tel: +357 77 77 74 74.

2. With Pafos airport bus shuttle

Take the Limassol Airport Express from Pafos International Airport to Limassol.

The stop in Limassol is at **Agios Georgios Havouzas Bus Station**.

From there, it is best to take a taxi to the ACCOBAMS MOP9 Venue for an estimated cost of €15 during daytime and around €20 at night.

LIMASSOL CITY TAXI

Several taxi companies are available within the city of Limassol. Taxis can be booked by phone, or hired directly from the street, and are equipped with taximeters – the use of which is obligatory.

Charging commences upon the passenger entering the taxi, and is based on the following chart:

	Price 1 06:01 – 20:30	Price 2 20:31 – 06:00
Initial Charge	€3,40	€5,40
Fare per km	€0,95	€1,10

Please note: There is an increase of 20% for carrying five (5) passengers.

LIMASSOL CITY BUSES

To move within Limassol, EMEL Limassol Buses offers several routes. Single Journey tickets (€2 between 04:00-21:00, €3 between 21:00-04.00) can be purchased from the Bus Driver on the bus to get to any destination. A daily bus card can also be issued on the bus, allowing unlimited travel within one day for €6.00.

Local bus operator mentions that routes are often (5-10 min intervals).

Details for specific routes and more information, can be found here: <https://limassolbuses.com/>

GENERAL INFORMATION ON CYPRUS

GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION OF CYPRUS

Situated at the north-eastern end of the Mediterranean basin, Cyprus is the third largest island in the region, with an area of 9,251 km². The population of the Republic of Cyprus in 2023 was reported to be 920,701. Of this total, 737,196 were Greek Cypriots, and 183,505 were other residents. Nicosia is the capital of the island and the most populated city, while Limassol the second-largest urban area in Cyprus and a vibrant coastal city is located on the southern coast. Cyprus became a full member of the European Union in 2004.

ACCESS TO CYPRUS

The legal points of entry to the Republic of Cyprus are the International Airports of Larnaka or Larnaca (LCA) and Pafos or Paphos (PFO), which are situated in the area under the effective control of the Government of the Republic of Cyprus. Entry to the territory of the Republic of Cyprus via any other port or airport in the area of Cyprus in which the Government of the Republic does not exercise effective control is illegal.

TIME ZONE

Eastern European Time (EET): GMT +2 hours

WEATHER

In November, the average temperature in Limassol is pleasant, with daytime highs around 22°C and nighttime lows around 16°C. The weather is generally mild and sunny, with some potential for rainfall. Lunch in the open air can still be enjoyed, and even sunbathing and swimming can too, along with most outdoor sports. In November, the Mediterranean Sea remains pleasantly warm and suitable for swimming, with water temperatures ranging between 20 and 24°C.

For more information: <https://www.visitcyprus.com/useful-info/climate-weather/>.

PASSPORT CONTROL AND VISAS

A valid passport is required by all travellers, for a stay of up to 90 days, except for holders of:

- Laissez-Passer issued by the United Nations.
- Document issued to stateless persons and recognised refugees.

Further to the above, citizens of the European Union (EU) countries, as well as of Switzerland, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway may enter Cyprus with their national identity card, provided there is a photograph.

Nationals of certain countries as specified at <https://www.gov.cy/en/information/visas/> by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, will need to secure a visa prior to their arrival. Further information about entry to Cyprus can be found at: <https://www.visitcyprus.com/useful-info/entry-requirements/>.

INSURANCE COVERAGE

While not legally mandatory for all visitors, travel insurance is strongly recommended for Cyprus. Participants are advised to obtain a private insurance against possible loss, accidents, or damage occurring during their stay. The Government of the Republic of Cyprus cannot be held responsible.

In Cyprus, the European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) provides access to medically necessary, state-provided healthcare during a temporary stay in Cyprus, similar to other EU countries.

For more information on European Health Insurance Card:

https://europa.eu/youreurope/citizens/health/unplanned-healthcare/ehic/index_en.htm.

ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES

Cyprus operates on a 230V supply voltage and 50Hz. The Type G (three-pin rectangular) plug system is used, similar to the UK. Travel adapters can be used, and they are easy to find.



OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

The official languages of the island are Greek and Turkish, whilst English is widely spoken. French, German and Russian are also spoken within the tourism industry.

CURRENCY & CREDIT CARDS

The official currency of Cyprus is the EURO (€). Information on exchange rates can be found here: <https://www.centralbank.cy/>.

Major credit cards are widely accepted throughout Cyprus, especially in major towns and tourist areas. Visa and MasterCard are the most-accepted types of cards, with American Express, Maestro accepted less frequently. Visitors in possession of any of the above-mentioned international credit cards may contact the appropriate bank for the withdrawal of cash.

Please note that using a credit card overseas often incurs a fee. Some cards marketed to travellers have no fees for overseas purchases, and others reduce the fee from the average 3% charge that most credit cards charge. For lost credit cards, contact JCC Payment Systems Ltd. (<https://www.jccsmart.com/>), and at the same time, contact your bank either in Cyprus or in the issuing country.

TIPPING

Tipping is at the discretion of the customer and is a gesture that is appreciated by hotel and catering establishment employees. Taxi-drivers, porters, hairdressers etc., always appreciate a small tip.

ACCOBAMS SECRETARIAT CONTACT

During travelling, if you experience any kind of trouble, please contact:

- Mrs. Camille Montiglio: +33 6 07 93 60 43 / cmontiglio@accobams.net

LOCAL CONTACTS

If you need any kind of assistance or require further information, please contact:

- Dr. Yianna Samuel: +357 99 37 33 08 / ysamuel@dfmr.moa.gov.cy

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

The emergency number in Cyprus to reach medical, fire and police emergency services is 112.

This Pan-European emergency number 112 can be called from any telephone (landline or mobile cellular phone even without a SIM card). Calls are free. It can be used for any life-threatening situation, including:

- serious medical problems (accident, unconscious person, severe injuries, chest pain, seizure);
- any type of fire (house, car);
- life-threatening situations (crimes).

This number should be reserved for emergency cases only. Once through to an operator, the caller should provide their telephone number, address and the location where help is needed, as well as any details about the emergency and the number of people involved.