



# **Regional Forum on NDC Implementation – Peer Exchange Workshop (PEW)**

August 24–27, 2026

## **BRIEFING NOTE FOR PARTICIPANTS**



## INTRODUCTION

The **Regional Forum on NDC Implementation – Peer Exchange Workshop (PEW)** will be held on August 24–27, 2026.

In-person meeting activities will be held at the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) headquarters in Santiago.

The purpose of this document is to provide participants with useful information to facilitate their work at the meeting.

For email requests, please copy the meeting coordinators.

### 1. Registration

Online registration for participants will be available on the meeting website: [Foro Regional sobre Implementación de las NDC - Taller de Intercambio entre Pares \(PEW\) \(24-27 August 2026\): Overview · Indico.UN](#)

Participants are advised to arrive **at least 30 minutes before** the start of meetings in order to complete the accreditation process and United Nations security protocols.

### 2. General information on Chile

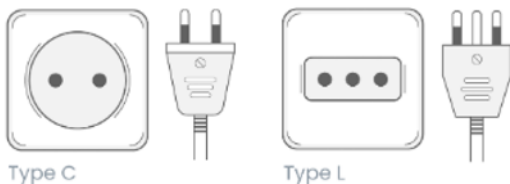
#### Geographical location

Chile is located in the extreme south-west of South America, between the Pacific Ocean and the Andes mountains. Its long, narrow territory is divided into 16 administrative regions. The capital city of Chile is Santiago, and the country has a total population of around 19 million.

#### The capital

Together with its Metropolitan Region, Santiago is home to 7 million people. It has a Mediterranean climate and well-defined seasons, with rainy winters with temperatures as low as 0°C (from May to September) and dry summers, when top daytime temperatures are around 30°C (from November to March). Relative humidity is low, and evenings are cool. More information can be found at <http://www.meteochile.gob.cl/PortalDMC-web/index.xhtml>.

## Useful information

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| <b>LOCAL CURRENCY</b>  | <p>The national currency is the Chilean peso (\$). The current exchange rate is approximately 919 Chilean pesos to the dollar (30 June 2026).</p> <p>Currency exchange services are available at banks and hotels, as well as at the airport. All major hotels, restaurants and stores accept international credit cards, including Visa and Mastercard.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>LOCAL TIME</b>      | <p>Santiago is in the UTC/GMT-4 time zone (on the date of the event).</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>ELECTRICITY</b>     | <p>In Chile, type C/L plugs and sockets are used. Voltage is 220 volts and frequency is 50 Hz. It is suggested to bring the appropriate adapter as needed.</p> <div><p>The diagram illustrates the electrical standards in Chile. On the left, a square wall outlet with two circular holes is labeled 'Type C'. Next to it is a two-pronged plug. On the right, a square wall outlet with three rectangular slots is labeled 'Type L'. Next to it is a three-pronged plug.</p></div> |
| <b>AIRPORT CHARGES</b> | <p>The airport charge is included in the airfare.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

### 3. Meeting venue

The Regional Forum will be held in the **Raúl Prebisch** Conference Room, located at ECLAC headquarters in Santiago, Av. Dag Hammarskjöld 3477, Vitacura, Santiago (<https://goo.gl/maps/8TQYnp6nztSaQLV8A>).

### 4. Meeting coordination

The meeting is being organized by ECLAC. The contacts are:

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## 5. Hotel reservations

The ECLAC Conference Services Unit has reserved a block of rooms at special rates, **from 1 to 4 September**, at the following hotels:

**Hotel Director Vitacura (★★★★)**

Av. Vitacura 3600, Vitacura  
Tel.: (+56) 2 2389 1956  
Single room: US\$ 115 + tax (*includes breakfast and Internet*)  
Contact: María Eliana Puga  
Reservations Department  
[reservas@director.cl](mailto:reservas@director.cl)  
**Block code: 1038454**  
**Block expiry date: 3 August 2026**

**Hotel Pullman Vitacura (★★★★)**

Av. Vitacura 3201, Vitacura  
Tel.: (+56) 2 2947 3612  
Single room: US\$ 130 + tax (*includes buffet breakfast, Internet and gym access*)  
Contact: Jocelyn Aguayo  
Reservations Department  
[jocelyn.aguayo@accor.com](mailto:jocelyn.aguayo@accor.com)  
**Block code: 010904**  
**Block expiry date: 25 August 2026**

**Hotel NH Collection Casacostanera (★★★★)**

Av. Nueva Costanera 3900, Vitacura

Tel.: (+56) 2 2496 2000  
Single room: US\$ 125 + tax (*includes breakfast and Internet*)  
Contact: Simón Pérez  
Reservations Department  
[rsv.nhcollectioncasacostanera@nh-hotels.com](mailto:rsv.nhcollectioncasacostanera@nh-hotels.com)  
**Block code: MB0005010471**  
**Block expiry date: 17 August 2026**

**Holiday Inn Express (★★★★)**  
Av. Vitacura 2929  
Tel.: (+56) 2 2499 6000; (+56) 2 2499 6021 or (+56) 9 9076 1232  
Single room: US\$ 120 + tax (*includes breakfast, Internet, gym and parking*)  
Contact: Trinidad Barros  
Reservations Department  
[reservas@talbot.cl](mailto:reservas@talbot.cl) with a copy to [trinidad.barros@talbot.cl](mailto:trinidad.barros@talbot.cl)  
**Block code: Comité Ejecutivo de la CEA**  
**Block expiry date: 24 August 2026**

Reservations must be requested directly from the hotel of your choice

Hotel reservations must be requested directly, not through agencies or other means. Participants are responsible for making their own reservations. You are advised to check that the hotel has processed your reservation and to request a reservation number or confirmation code.

**A credit card number is required to hold the reservation.**

These rates do not include the value added tax (VAT) of 19%. Visitors paying in dollars or with international credit cards are exempt from VAT. In that case, the hotel will request the slip issued by border control upon entry into Chile.

## **6. Visa and entry requirements**

Participants must be in possession of a passport valid for at least six months beyond the date of entry into Chile. Representatives from countries whose citizens require a visa to enter Chile should apply for one in advance at their nearest Chilean embassy or consulate.

To check whether a visa is needed, participants may contact the Chilean embassy or consulate in their countries. The contact details of the embassies and consulates can be found on the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Chile: <https://www.minrel.gob.cl/embajadas-y-consulados>.

## **7. Transport from the airport to Santiago**

At the airport, authorized official taxi services (identified by orange licence plates) are available for passenger transport. These services may be booked directly at the companies' kiosks (prior to exiting the airport). Payment is coordinated at the customer service counters of the respective providers. The transfer from the airport to the city takes approximately 30 minutes.

**Official taxis** available at the airport exit (the fare varies between US\$ 35 and US\$ 40, depending on the destination within the city):

<https://www.nuevopudahuel.cl/desde-hacia-el-aeropuerto?target=taxis>

For more information:

<https://taxiamb.cl> <https://www.taxifrecuente.cl>

**Shared buses** to the city centre (these stop at major metro stations along the way):

<https://www.nuevopudahuel.cl/desde-hacia-el-aeropuerto?target=buses>

**Car rentals** by the day: <https://www.nuevopudahuel.cl/desde-hacia-el-aeropuerto?target=arriendo-vehiculos>

**Shared transfer** to a specified address: <https://www.nuevopudahuel.cl/desde-hacia-el-aeropuerto?target=transfer>

Other official transportation companies located at the Santiago airport include Transvip and WeTransport, which run minibuses with a capacity of 10–12 passengers and drop off in different neighbourhoods. For more information:

<https://transvip.cl>

<https://wetransport.cl>

For persons with permanently or temporarily reduced mobility, three private transport companies are suggested:

**Goxi**

<http://www.goxi.cl/>

(+56) 9 6834 7267

**Arpal Chile**

<https://www.arpalchile.cl/>

(+56) 9 6650 1734

**Transfervan**

<https://www.transfervan.cl/sitiotransfervan/>

(+56) 9 6630 8660

**For security reasons, it is strongly recommended that participants refrain from using the informal taxi services offered outside the airport terminal.**

**LOCAL TRANSPORT**

To get around the city, various services are available:

**Street-hail taxis:** an onboard taximeter displays the amount to be paid. Payment is made in cash at the end of the trip. In general, drivers are not tipped.

**Ride-hailing applications:** services such as Uber and Cabify work very well in the city.

**Metro de Santiago (underground rail):** seven lines connecting the city. You must have a bip! card to use the metro, which is the official means of payment and can be purchased at any station.



**Buses:** urban public transportation operating in the metropolitan area of Santiago. The bus services are integrated with the Santiago metro, so they use the same means of payment (bip! card).

<https://www.red.cl/>



## 8. Opening session

The opening session Regional Forum on NDC Implementation – Peer Exchange Workshop (PEW) will take place on **24 August at 9.00 a.m. in the Raul Prebisch Conference Room.**

## 9. Languages

The official language of the meeting will be Spanish, with simultaneous interpretation into English.

## 10. Facilities and services at ECLAC

**Internet**

Wi-Fi will be available in ECLAC conference rooms and open spaces. To use it, you will need to register and enter a password.

**Bank**

There is a branch of Banco de Chile in the basement of the main ECLAC building. It is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Foreign currency can be exchanged from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. To do so, foreigners must present their passport and the document issued at border control by Policía de Investigaciones (PDI) officials upon entering the country.

**Medical services**

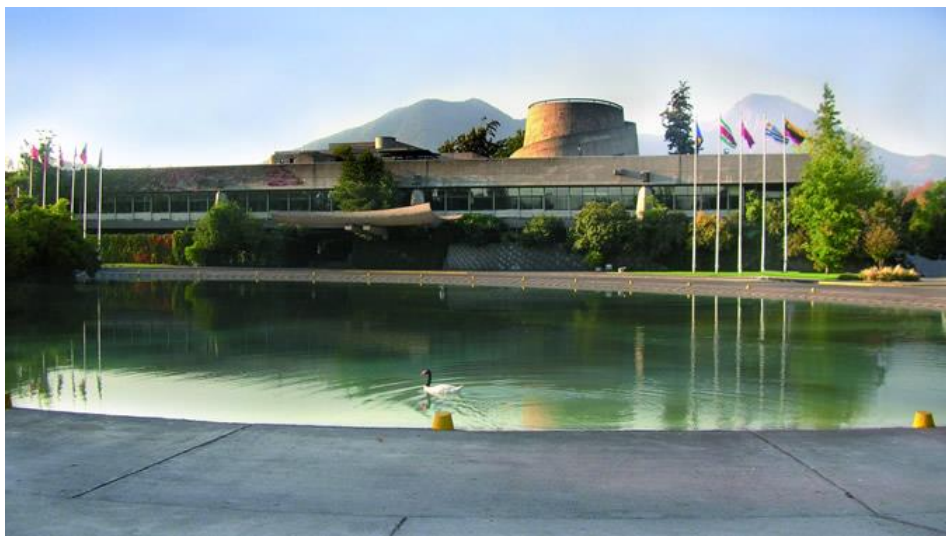
ECLAC has first aid services available.

**Meals**

ECLAC has a café (open continuously from 8.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.) and a canteen (open from 12.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m.). Participants must pay directly for these services.

**Parking**

ECLAC has a limited number of parking spaces. Only UN staff members vehicles will be authorized.



**Other considerations**

Water in Santiago is potable; however, visitors are advised to drink bottled water.

As in all large cities, for security reasons, it is recommended not to wear valuable jewelry, not to leave purses or briefcases unattended in public places and to avoid using mobile phones in open or crowded spaces.

Tipping is common in Chile, as it is in other parts of the world. In restaurants, it is customary to tip around 10% of the total bill.

In most hotels, breakfast is included in the rate. As mentioned above, ECLAC has a café and a canteen, whose services must be paid for directly by participants.