



9th Meeting of the Compliance Committee (CC9) and 12th Meeting of the Parties (MoP12)

Ebene, Mauritius, 25–27 June 2025 and 30 June – 04 July 2025

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Information notes for CC9 and MoP12 meetings

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Abstract	This document provides with practical information for the CC9 and MoP12 meeting to take place in Mauritius from 26 June to 04 July 2025.

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Information notes for CC9 and MoP12 meetings

1. Meetings dates and venue

Hennessy Park Hotel
65, Ebene Cybercity, Ebene, Mauritius
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The dates for the 9th Meeting of the Compliance Committee are from June 25 to June 27, 2025, followed by the 12th Meeting of the Parties, scheduled from June 30 to July 4, 2025.

The meeting modalities, (registration, agenda, time, meeting papers) will be conveyed closer to the meeting date, in accordance with the Rules of Procedures.

2. Getting to the venue

a. Flights to Mauritius

Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam Airport is located approximately 48km southeast of the capital city, Port Louis. This modern airport serves as the main hub for both domestic and international flights.

b. Airport to Hotel

Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam Airport is situated about 35 minutes away from the Hennessy Park Hotel. The easiest way to reach the Hotel from the airport is by taxi, car rental is also a good option.

There are several car rental companies located in the airport, such as, OLA Mauritius or Quick Car Rental which have good review on internet. BSR Car Rental is also providing a transfer from the airport to Ebene from 1600 MUR for 1 to 3 persons and 2000 MUR for more than 3 persons. The transfer from airport to an accommodation in Flic en Flac is offered from 2500 MUR for a 5 to 7 persons car. Whereas for an accommodation in Port-Louis the transfer will be from 2200 MUR for a 5 to 7 persons car.

You may contact BSR Car Rental through **Anisha Ramgoolam**:

Phone: +230 57600266

[Website: bsrcarrental.com](http://bsrcarrental.com)

Another possibility is to deal directly with the airport transfers service of your future accommodation if they provide one.

c. Car Rental

Car rentals are available at Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam Airport, providing convenient options for exploring Mauritius. Various car rental services are located on-site, making it easy to secure transportation for your stay.

d. **Daily transport from accommodations to meeting venue**

Taxi services are available in most urban areas; however, taxis typically do not operate with a meter. It is advisable to confirm the fare before starting your journey. Mauritius has a well-developed and reliable bus network, with services generally running between 5:00 AM and 9:00 PM.

Car rental companies provide daily transfer from accommodations to the meeting venue.

2. Hospitality (breaks)

A mid-morning coffee break is planned, followed by a buffet lunch offered by Mauritius authorities. An additional break in the mid-afternoon is also planned.

3. Dinner

The Hennessy Hotel is located in the Ebene neighbourhood where you can find some restaurants for some fast food or some more sophisticated bars and restaurants. Appendix 2 provides a range of dinner locations choices.

4. Accommodations

The Hennessy Park Hotel is usually heavily booked. Those planning to attend should act quickly to secure accommodation or explore alternative options.

Appendix 3 provides a range of accommodation choices in the vicinity of the meeting hotel.

5. International travel modalities

Health and travels restrictions, sanitary measures

While all health entry restrictions for Mauritius have been removed, it is still recommended to fill out the Mauritius All in One Travel Form prior to departure (<https://safemauritius.govmu.org/>). For further information, please refer to the Mauritian authorities' dedicated website (<https://mauritiusnow.com/>)

Additionally, travellers arriving from countries where yellow fever is endemic may need to present proof of vaccination upon entry.

Visa

Please check the visa requirements according to your nationality (https://passport.govmu.org/passport/?page_id=605)

The Mauritius Travel Digital Form is a health declaration, a mandatory document that confirms you're medically cleared to enter the country and have proof of medical coverage.

Get your Digital QR Code from the *Mauritius Travel Form* before departure for smooth entry.

<https://www.ivisa.com/mauritius>

6. General Information on Mauritius

Emergency numbers

In Mauritius, emergency services are reachable at “999” or “112”. For emergency medical assistance, please call “114”.

Electricity

Mauritius uses types C and G power plugs and sockets of. The standard voltage is 230 V, with a frequency of 50 Hz. Ensure your devices are compatible with these specifications or use an appropriate adapter.



Currency

The currency of Mauritius is the Mauritian Rupee (MUR). Current **approximate** exchange rates are:

1 MUR = 0.025 USD.

1 MUR = 0.020 EUR

ATMs (often labelled as “Cash Points”) are widely available in major cities and towns across Mauritius. Most international debit and credit cards are widely accepted at hotels, restaurants, and shops, though some smaller vendors may prefer cash payments.

Climate

In June and July, Mauritius enjoys mild and tropical weather, with daytime temperatures ranging from 22°C to 26°C. Humidity levels are generally lower, though occasional rainfall or light showers can still occur. It’s advisable to pack light, breathable clothing along with a light jacket for cooler evenings.

Time

Mauritius operates on Mauritius Time (MUT), which is four hours ahead of Coordinated Universal Time (UTC+4). The meeting times will adhere to MUT.

Language:

English, French and Mauritian Creole are widely spoken across the island. While English is used for official business, many locals may converse in French or Creole in casual settings.

Geography and culture

Mauritius is an island nation in the Indian Ocean, known for its stunning beaches, coral reefs, and lush landscapes. It has a vibrant multicultural society influenced by African, Indian, Chinese, and European cultures. The island's natural beauty is complemented by its rich history, diverse cuisine, and festivals. Mauritius is also home to UNESCO World Heritage sites such as Aapravasi Ghat and Le Morne Brabant.

Driving

In Mauritius, driving occurs on the left side of the road. Speed limits are set at 40 km/h in urban areas, 80 km/h outside of towns, and 110 km/h on specific sections of the dual carriageway that traverses the island from north to south. The country is equipped with both fixed and mobile speed cameras, and police patrols conduct targeted enforcement to ensure compliance with traffic regulations.

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8. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Hennessy Park Hotel

Appendix 2 – List of restauration choices around Hennessy Hotel

Appendix 3 – List of other accommodations

Appendix 1

Hennessy Park Hotel

Hennessy Park Hotel

65 Ebene Cybercity, Ébène, Mauritius

<https://ninetysixhotels.com/hennessy-park-hotel-eben-cybercity-mauritius.html>

The 4-star Hennessy Park Hotel is located in the high-tech hub of Ebene Cybercity. Featuring a light, contemporary design and a vibrant artistic atmosphere, the hotel offers 108 well-appointed rooms, as well as world-class conference and meeting facilities. Conveniently situated just 12 minutes from Port Louis and 35 minutes from Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam International Airport, it provides an ideal setting for business travellers.

Hennessy Park Hotel offered a special rate for a Bed and Breakfast Standard Room for € 170 per day. To book your stay at Hennessy Hotels, please contact the Reservation Team directly at reservations@ninetysixhotels.com and reference the booking code **GRPQ-SIOFA-2025**.



Appendix 2

List of restauration choices around Hennessy Hotel

Opening hours are subject to changes.

Fancy restaurant:

Iconebene rooftop. [Top Floor, Iconebene Building, Ebene.](#) Opening hours 11.30am-2.30pm / 6.30pm-10.30pm. (+230) [463 8989](#)

Others:

Black Sheep (Burgers, Pasta, Salad): Ebene, (230) 468 7132

Ground Floor, Icon Ebene, Ebene. Opening hours 10am-4pm/5pm-9pm. (+230) 434 0672

Chez Minos : [QF4R+H7V, Quatre Bornes, Maurice.](#) (+230) [5757 9617](#)

Sushi Me: Ebene CyberCity Hennessy Park Hotel, Eben, Ile Maurice. Opening hours: 11am-10.30pm. (+230) 403 7242

House of Canton: Off B1 Southbound NexTeracom Towers, Ground Floor, Tower 1, Ebene, Ile Maurice. Opening hours: 11am-10pm. (+230) 465 4588.

Artisan Coffee:

- Ebene Commercial Centre. 9am-5pm. (+230) 468 7367
- Nexsky Building, Ebene. 7.30am-6pm. (+230) 468 7174
- Nexteracom building, Ebene. 7.30am-5pm. (+230) 468 7930

Appendix 3

List of other accommodations

Before your visit, please verify that the distance to the Hennessy Park Hotel meets your convenience and make appropriate arrangements for your transportation. Airbnb accommodations are also accessible at more budget-friendly rates. Please be advised that prices may vary depending on the chosen site and the booking period.

Hotel 1

Royal Green Wellness Resort

Réduit Triangle, MU, 80813, Maurice

<https://royalgreenwellnessresort.com/>



Distance from Hennessy Park Hotel : 45 min (by foot) and 6 min (by car).

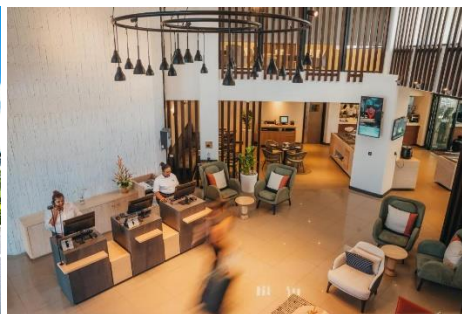
Cost around : 165 € per night.

Hotel 2

Voila Hotel Bagatelle

Bagatelle Mall of Mauritius, PO Box 30 Réduit

<https://voilahotel.mu>



Distance from Hennessy Park Hotel : 56 min (by foot); 8 min (by car).

Cost around : 129€ per night.

Hotel 3

West Sand Holidays

Avenue des Hérons, [Flic en Flac, Mauritius, +230 5919 3582](#)

Offers breakfast, WIFI, airport transfers, parking and laundrette services

Available on booking.com



Distance from Hennessy Park Hotel (by car): 40 min.

Cost around : 126€ per night.

Accommodation 1

Studio 307, Ebene Square

Rue du Conseil Municipal, Studio 307, Ebene Square, Ebène, Mauritius

Offers WIFI, Parking, kitchen, WIFI and laundrette services from 930 EUR.

Available on booking.com



Distance from Hennessy Park Hotel (by foot): 15 min.

Cost around : 75 € per night.

Accommodation 2

Haven Luxury

Avenue des oies, Sun City residence, 3rd Floor, App. F3S2, Flic en Flac, Mauritius
Offers WIFI, Kitchen, Parking, laundrette, airport transfers services from 1080 EUR for 12 nights.
Available on booking.com



Distance from Hennessy Hotel (by car): 40 min.
Cost around : 450 €; minimum length of stay of 5 nights.

Accommodation 3

Residence Barbera

Avenue des truites, Flic en Flac, Mauritius
Offers parking, kitchen, WIFI, airport transfers and laundrette services.
Available on booking.com



Distance from Hennessy Hotel (by car): 40 min.
Cost around : 180€; minimum length of stay of 3 nights.

Other Hotel opportunities

Thanks to the rail system, the hotels in Port-Louis (Port-Louis Victoria station) are accessible.

Access to the conference center is made **with a transfer in Rose Hill Central stop to the Ebene stop.**

