COPANT 2024 is approaching and the Associação Brasileira de Normas Técnicas (ABNT) will be organizing the largest standardization event in the Americas. The COPANT meetings will be held at the Jatiúca Hotel & Resort, located in Maceió - Alagoas.

This charming seaside setting will be the perfect stage for a series of lectures and workshops.

At the Jatiúca Hotel & Resort and Slaviero Hotéis, attendees of the COPANT 2024 meeting will receive a discount coupon.

To book at these hotels, please contact them by e-mail or telephone and enter the following ABNT/COPANT code, as follows:

**Jatiúca Hotel & Resort**
eventos@hoteljatiuca.com.br
+55 82 98107-6617
Code: ABNT/COPANT

**Slaviero Hotéis**
reservas.sumj@slavierohoteis.com.br
+55 82 2122-2100
Code: ABNT/COPANT
Hotels near the venue

HOTEL PRAIA BONITA JATIUCA
The Praia Bonita Jatiúca Hotel offers excellent services to its guests. It is 210 meters away and about 3 minutes from the Jatiúca Hotel & Resort, the venue for the COPANT 2024 meeting. Daily rates start at R$ 300.00 (BRL) 61.01 (USD).

MARINAS MACEIÓ HOTEL
Marinas Maceió Hotel is located in Maceió, 1 block from Jatiuca beach, close to bars, restaurants and stores. It is 400 meters away and about a 6-minute walk from the Jatiúca Hotel & Resort, the venue for the COPANT 2024 meeting. Daily rates start at R$ 425.00 (BRL) 86.44 (USD).

SLAVIERO HOTÉIS
Located in front of Jatiúca Beach, in the center of Maceió, it offers excellent services to its guests. It is 71 meters away and about a 1-minute walk from the Jatiúca Hotel & Resort, the venue for the COPANT 2024 meeting. Daily rates start at R$ 480.00 (BRL) 97.63 (USD).

ARRIVING IN BRAZIL
International flights arrive at Zumbi dos Palmares International Airport, located approximately 26 km from where the annual meeting of the Pan-American Commission on Technical Standards (COPANT) will be held. We recommend taking a cab from the airport to the meeting venue, cab ranks are located on the first floor of the airport and the journey to Maceió takes 50 minutes. It is also possible to request an Uber on arrival using your cell phone.
Alagoas has jewels so beautiful that my eyes never tire of looking at them. One of them is you, Pajuçara, a beautiful beach in the sea. With a green sea that is second to none in the Caribbean, natural crystal-clear pools and coral reefs that turn the beaches into veritable swimming pools, Maceió and its surroundings win over visitors at first sight. Maceió is the capital of the state of Alagoas, on the east coast of Brazil. Its historic center is home to pastel-colored colonial houses, a 19th century cathedral and the Théo Brandão Museum of Anthropology and Folklore, located in a renovated mansion by the sea. Protected by a reef, the coast has numerous white sand beaches. Ponta Verde Beach offers a promenade lined with palm trees, beach kiosks and water sports.

With a high-level tourist structure, Maceió is one of the best cities in the Brazilian Northeast in terms of beaches and natural beauty.
Temperature

In Maceió, summers are long, hot and clear, with little cloud cover. Characteristic for having a short winter, the city also stands out for staying warm even on closed days. In addition, the weather is marked by strong winds all year round. In general, the temperature in Maceió varies between 22°C and 31°C. For this reason, it rarely gets lower than 20°C or higher than 32°C.

Airport

Maceió - Zumbi dos Palmares International Airport, inaugurated on October 14, 1928, is one of the most important and modern in Brazil, having been completely renovated in 2005, and serves the state of Alagoas. It operates domestic flights to different destinations within the country and international flights to Argentina, Europe, the United States and Portugal. There is a restaurant, fast food outlets and an ice cream parlor on the second floor. Bob's, Casa do Pão de Queijo and Subway are open 24 hours a day.

There are also stores selling handicrafts, regional products, books and magazines, clothes and accessories, travel items, shoes, etc.
Transportation at the airport

To find your Uber driver, follow the instructions in the app once you've requested your ride. The company Veleiro (Tel. +55 (82) 3215-4150) offers transportation from the venue to the city center, the terminal by bus (Rodoviária) and Ponta Verde. Buses leave from the front of the airport between 5:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. Regular vehicles from ASTRIL (Tel. +55 (82) 4104-0144) are available from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and from 10:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m.. In addition, the company COMTAL (Tel. +55 (82) 3322-2530) operates special cabs 24 hours a day. Both cab ranks are on the first floor of the terminal and the journey to Maceió takes 50 minutes.

Visa

To find out if you need a visa and how to apply for one, check with your local Brazilian embassy or other diplomatic representative before you travel.

Invitation letter for visa purposes

To enter Brazil you need a document proving the reason for your stay in Brazil, be it for work or tourism. Currently, there is a select group of countries that do not require this visa. Requests for letters of invitation should be made by e-mail to Maria Luiza - luiza.duwel@abnt.org.br
Brazilian currency

The Real, officially the Brazilian Real, is Brazil's official currency. An ATM or bank terminal is an electronic device that allows bank customers to withdraw money and check the balance of their bank accounts without the need for a bank employee. ATMs can be found at airports, bus terminals, supermarkets, hypermarkets, gas stations and convenience stores, etc.

Handicrafts

Maceió is a great place to buy handicrafts; if you're one of those who love to fill their bags with purchases, you'll find good options in the city.

Alagoas has become a benchmark in this segment with unique pieces that enchant the whole world. There's filé, a genuinely Alagoan embroidery, bobbin lace, redendê bars on tablecloths, patchwork table runners and delicate "good night" embroidery.

Gastronomy

The restaurants in Maceió are a true gastronomic paradise, where the best of Brazilian regional cuisine goes hand in hand with the best of international cuisine. In Maceió you'll find plenty of fish and seafood dishes. Carapeba and fried mackerel, shrimp, lobster, sururu (a mollusc from the lagoons) and the delicious and traditional peixadas with shrimp sauce. As well as seafood dishes, dishes of indigenous and Afro-Canadian origin are also a hit in our beloved Maceió. Tapioca, rice pudding, corn couscous, cassava with sundried meat, pamonha, mugunzá and many other dishes are very popular and easy to find.
RESTAURANTS

SÁ MENINA RESTAURANTE
Prices start from: R$ 25.00 (BRL) 5.09 (USD). It is 350 meters away and about a 5-minute walk from the Jatiúca Hotel & Resort, site of the COPANT 2024 meeting.
www.instagram.com/sameninarestaurante

SAL E BRASA
Maceió - R. Prof. Ernâni de Figueiredo Magalhães, 41 - Cruz das Almas, Ma-ceió - AL, 57038-150 – Telephone: +55 82 996515171.
Prices start from: R$ 50.00 (BRL) 10.18 (USD). It is 350 meters away and about a 5-minute walk from the Jatiúca Hotel & Resort, venue of the CO-PANT 2024 meeting.
salebrasa.com.br
**BARES**

**TSB PATRONUM BAR**

It is 1.0 km away and about a 14-minute walk from the Jatiúca Hotel & Resort, the venue for the COPANT 2024 meeting.

[tsbpatronumbar.eitamenu.com](http://tsbpatronumbar.eitamenu.com)

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**SUA CAZA SPETTUS BAR**

It is 1.4 km away and about a 20-minute walk from the Jatiúca Hotel & Resort, the venue for the COPANT 2024 meeting.


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**COFFEE SHOPS**

**PANE UNI GRIFFE CAFÉ & CONVENIÊNCIA LTDA.**

It is 350 meters away and about a 5-minute walk from the Jatiúca Hotel & Resort, the venue for the COPANT 2024 meeting.

[maps.app.goo.gl/u3Dxw788RKNfwJL7](http://maps.app.goo.gl/u3Dxw788RKNfwJL7)

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**DUCKBILL MACEIÓ**

It is 1.0 km away and about a 14-minute walk from the Jatiúca Hotel & Resort, the venue for the COPANT 2024 meeting.

[www.instagram.com/duckbill.maceio](http://www.instagram.com/duckbill.maceio)
Security
For general information on how to visit Maceió, as in other big cities, tourists should be careful with their belongings and avoid going to unknown areas far from the meeting place.

Vacinação
Vaccination is one of the most effective ways of combating preventable diseases and epidemics. The World Health Organization estimates that 2 to 3 million deaths are avoided every year as a result of vaccination. Vaccination or prophylaxis is not mandatory for entry into Brazil, however, the Ministry of Health recommends that international tourists update their vaccination status before arriving in the country, in accordance with the guidelines of the vaccination calendar of the country of origin or residence.

Smoking
In Brazil it is not allowed in public spaces, only in smoking areas.

Tip
Brazil is not a country where it's common for people to tip, except in bars and restaurants, but if you decide to, it's nice.

Time zone
The country's official time zone, known as Brasilia time, is GMT-3.

Electricity
The voltage in Maceió is 220 volts.
Electrical socket

(1) (2) (3)

In Brazil, you can find different types of sockets: the two most common in homes are: the old models for two rounded pins (1) and the American standard for flat pins (2).

The new Brazilian standard of three rounded pins (3) can be found in some hotels.

TOURIST ATTRACTION

Maceió is a northeastern city that is gaining more and more admirers and that welcomes tourists from all over the world at all times of the year. And no wonder:

Gunga Beach

Praia do Gunga has a colorful sea that stands out as one of the most impressive in Brazil. This is thanks to the meeting of the waters of the Roteiro Lagoon with the Atlantic Ocean, guaranteeing shades of green tile in the waters that bathe the beach. In addition, the place has diverse scenery that will enchant anyone who passes by. Located in Roteiro, about 30km from Maceió, it is an incredible place to visit in the lands of Alagoas. Surrounded by extensive coconut groves, you can enjoy the colorful cliffs, marvel at the crystal-clear sea and enjoy the meeting of fresh and salt water.
São Miguel dos Milagres Beach

The beach of São Miguel dos Milagres is located 1 hour and 50 minutes from Maceió.

Ipioca Beach

Ipioca Beach is one of the beauties of the Northeast and a must-see destination for all travelers. Crystal-clear waters, white sand and a breathtaking sea, this is the ideal place to enjoy the summer in a landscape that doesn't disappoint could be any closer to paradise. Located about 20 kilometers from the center of Maceió, Ipioca Beach is a more urban attraction in the state of Alagoas.

Pajuçara Natural Pools

Visiting the Pajuçara Natural Pools is one of the most popular attractions for visitors to Maceió. As well as being home to a large part of this destination's hotel and retail network, it offers its visitors excellent leisure and entertainment options. Just 2km out to sea from the edge of the Alagoas capital, sandbanks full of coral form a veritable pool of clear water at low tide.
Alagoas is nationally known for its handicrafts. The most famous of these products, which has already become a symbol of Maceió and Alagoas, is filé embroidery. The importance of this embroidery is so great that its traditional production method has been listed as an intangible heritage of Alagoas.

Ponta Verde Beach stands out for the many charming coconut trees along its shore. About 5 km from Maceió, this part of the coast has calm waters and good beach huts, such as Lopana and Kanoa, where you can enjoy the sea during the day as well as at night. The area is great for outdoor walks and bike rides! There is also a sign with the words "Eu Amo Maceió" (I Love Maceió), so it's worth stopping there to take some photos!

The Metropolitan Cathedral is an architectural masterpiece that shouldn't be left out of your sightseeing. A visit is a must, as the 19th century building is a landmark in the city's history. One of the main attractions is the Blessed Sacrament, which has been considered one of the most beautiful works in the Alagoas capital.
Jaraguá neighborhood

The Jaraguá neighborhood has always played a very important role for the city. According to historians, the neighborhood was a fishing village that emerged even before the settlement of Maceió. Jaraguá is where you'll find the port, the starting point for the city's growth, as it was here that commerce flourished. The neighborhood still retains its historic buildings, such as the Alagoas Commercial Association, one of the most beautiful buildings, marked by its neoclassical style. The streetlamps in the neighborhood are originally from France and the third original prototype of the Statue of Liberty was erected in Jaraguá.

Jatiúca Beach

There are hotels, bars, stores and leisure options. About 7 km from Maceió, it is also a good place to try the local delicacy, the su-ruru, a type of mussel. In addition to the relaxing atmosphere, Jatiúca offers tourists a great structure. There are plenty of kiosks, bars, restaurants, ice cream parlors and cafés.
Théo Brandão Museum of Anthropology and Folklore

The Théo Brandão Museum of Anthropology and Folklore in Alagoas is a cultural reference point for locals and tourists visiting Maceió, the state capital. With an intense artistic program, it acts as a cultural center that is strongly identified with the interests of the population and is a point of interest for anyone who enjoys art, entertainment and culture. The monument is the result of the commitment of the Federal University of Alagoas (UFAL) to the people of Alagoas. Created in 1975, it was first installed in a house belonging to the University itself, on the Tamandaré Campus, in Pontal da Barra. It was named in thanks to the teacher and folklorist Théo Brandão, who made the creation of the museum possible by donating his entire collection of folk art to UFAL. Today, the Théo Brandão Museum is a living tourist monument, present in people's lives as a source of knowledge and opportunities.

Museum of Image and Sound of Alagoas

The Museum of Image and Sound of Alagoas re-tells stories and keeps our state's culture alive. The space tells a little about the evolution of Alagoas through a rich collection of documents, photos, videos and electronic equipment. The Museum also holds important collections of Alagoas personalities. Get to know and live the experience of traveling through the universe of image and sound in Alagoas.

Maceió is a great destination for those who love sun, sea and nature. It's also a friendly and welcoming city with a lot of charm. I hope you enjoy your visit!