

WPB24 - 24th Working Party on Billfish

24th Working Party on Billfish · Wednesday 9 – Saturday 12 September 2026 · Saint-Pierre, La Réunion.
Practical information for participants attending the IOTC / CTOI working group meeting in Saint-Pierre, La Réunion.



IOTC / CTOI · Information sheet

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Chairperson: Dr Jie Cao

Vice-Chairperson: Sylvain Bonhommeau

Venue

This working group will be hosted at **Hotel Le Battant des Lames**.

117 Boulevard Hubert Delisle, 97410 Saint-Pierre, La Réunion

Meeting rooms are expected to have Wi-Fi, projection facilities, air conditioning and refreshment-break arrangements.

Getting there

Approx. 1h15–1h30 by car or taxi from Roland Garros Airport to Saint-Pierre, depending on traffic.
Public transport is possible with Car Jaune; check current timetables before travelling.

Quick links

MEETING



Meeting page



Hotel website



Google Maps

TRANSPORT



Airport



Car Jaune



Airport taxis



Taxi booking (VTC Péri)



Taxi booking (Leu Transporteur)



Car rental

TRAVEL

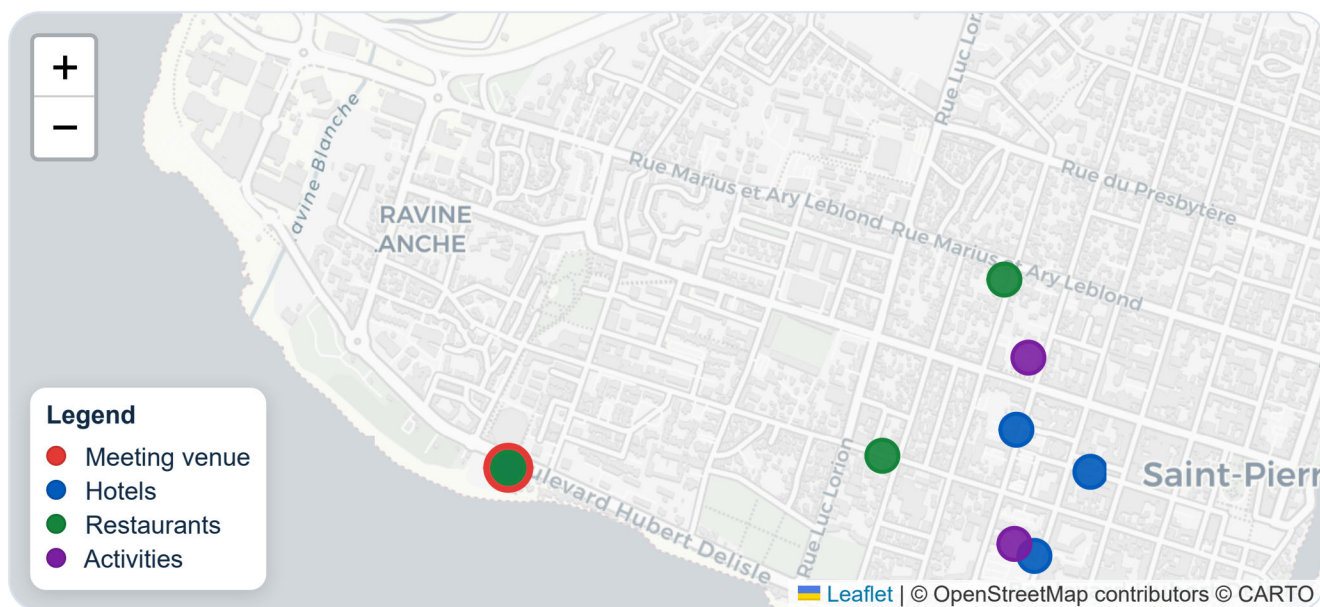


Visa



Tourist office

Interactive map



[Google Maps](#)

Contact for logistics and visa support

For local logistics, invitation letters or visa-support needs, please contact:

Sylvain Bonhommeau

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Visa

Entry requirements depend on your nationality, passport and length of stay. Please use the official France-Visas assistant to check whether you need a visa.

[Check whether you need a visa](#)

If you need an invitation letter, please contact Sylvain Bonhommeau as early as possible.

Nearby hotels

Hotel	Distance	Price range
Le Battant des Lames	Meeting venue	\$\$\$
Villa Delisle	15–20 min walk	\$\$\$
Hotel Le Saint-Pierre	10–15 min walk	\$\$
Lindsey Hotel	15–20 min walk	\$\$
Hotel Le Terre Sainte	25-30 min walk	\$\$

Indicative price ranges only: \$ = budget, \$\$ = mid-range, \$\$\$ = higher range. Please check current rates directly with the hotels.

Nearby restaurants

Restaurant	Type / note
Le Grand Large	In the meeting hotel; seafood / local cuisine
L'Atelier - Bar à Tartare	Lunch / dinner nearby
art i show	Art and food
Villa sauvage	Casual dinner
Ancre Terre et Mer	Seafood / local option



Suggested activities

Whale watching

September is usually a very good period for observing humpback whales.

Piton de la Fournaise

Volcano viewpoints and hiking routes; allow a full day.

Saint-Pierre seafront

Easy walk from the meeting venue, cafés and sunset views.

Grand Anse beach

Scenic beach south-east of Saint-Pierre; short drive/taxi.

Cilaos

Mountain village, viewpoints and hiking; allow a full day.

Saint-Pierre market

Local products and crafts; Saturday morning, usually from 5:00 to 12:00.

Activities depend on weather and operator availability. Please book directly with providers.



Useful information

UTC+4 · Euro (€) · 230 V / European type E plugs · Emergency: 112

September is usually mild and relatively dry on the coast; plan light clothing and a light jacket for evenings.

It can be cold in the mountains, especially around Piton de la Fournaise, Cilaos and other highland areas: bring a warm layer if you plan an excursion.

The Saint-Pierre market is held on Saturday mornings, usually from 5:00 to 12:00.

Please check timetables, prices, opening days and availability directly with providers before travelling.

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