

### **CONFERENCE PROPOSAL**

# The Sixth IEEE International Workshop on Computational Advances in Multi-Sensor Adaptive Processing

## CAMSAP 2015

Curação, Dutch Antilles December 13-16, 2015













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## Location - Curação, Dutch Antilles









## Curação

- Southern Caribbean, constituent country of the Kingdom of the Netherlands (since 2006)
- The "C" island of the ABC island triplet (together with Aruba and Bonaire)
- Population: ~150,000 / Area: 444 sq. Km
- Weather (December): 77-86°F (25-30°C)
- Official languages: Dutch, but Papiamentu, English, and Spanish are widely spoken
- Currencies: Netherlands Antilles Guilder (a.k.a Florin); US dollars circulate freely; EURO accepted in some restaurants/hotels

## Why Curação?

- Subtropical climate; outside the hurricane belt;
- Medium-range prices and high living standard (highest in Caribbean);
- Mix of European and South-American cultures; historical sites (Willemstad is a UNESCO World Heritage city);
- Perfect for beach and water sports, snorkeling, scuba diving; Sea aquarium w/ dolphins; Astounding beaches
- Culturally unique cuisine full of spicy surprises...

## Travelling to Curação

Curação Hato International Airport (CUR): Modern international airport served by several airlines (American Airlines, KLM, Air Canada, Air Berlin, Insel Air, Caribbean Airlines,...)

### **US Airways & American Airlines**

- Daily non-stop flights from/to Miami (twice a day);
- Connections and daily indirect flights to several US cities and Canada;
- 2-stop flights from Asia (e.g. Hong Kong, Tokyo and Seul);

### **KLM**

- Daily non-stop flights from/to Amsterdam;
- Easy connections (1-stop) to several EU cities (via Amsterdam);
- 2-stop flights from Asia (e.g. Hong Kong, Tokyo and Seul);

### **Air Berlin**

-Daily 1-stop flights from/to Dusseldorf; almost-daily 1-stop flights from/to Berlin;

### Air Canada

- Daily indirect flights from/to several cities in US and Canada (via Panama);

## Travelling to Curação (cont'd)

### **Avianca**

Daily 1-stop flights from/to several US and EU cities
 (e.g. Miami, New York, Washington, Toronto, Frankfurt, Madrid,...);

### **Insel Air**

- Daily non-stop flights from/to Miami; direct flights (every Sat.) from Charlotte;
- 1-stop connections to most of the Caribbean islands;

### **Copa Airlines**

- Daily 1-stop flights from/to New York (JFK and EWR);

### **Caribbean Airlines**

1-stop daily flights from/to Toronto, New York and Miami (via Port of Spain);

### **West Jet**

- Direct flight (every sunday) from/to Toronto;
- Easy connections with code-share networks.

## Travelling to/from Curação (cont'd)

Origin	Stops	'Optimized' \$\$\$
Miami	0	450\$
Amsterdam	0	1100\$
Toronto/Montreal	1	650\$
Houston	1	700\$
San Francisco	1	800\$
New York	1	700\$
Paris	1	1400\$
London	1	1200\$
Frankfurt	1	1300\$
Tokyo	2	2200\$
Hong Kong	2	1800\$

## Local Attractions

- Westside beaches & diving (excelent snorkelling!)
  - Kalki
  - Westpunt
  - Forti
  - Abao
  - Kenepa
  - Lagun



Some of the best diving is here (hard and soft coral)



### Willemstad

- Walking tour at different districts (mix of dutch, spanish and portuguese architectures);
- Gourmet cuisine at Michelin Guide-caliber restaurants
- Active nightlife (jazz & blues clubs, open bars along the beach,...)



Handelskade street at night



Night party on Seaquarium beach

## Hato caves

- Largest underground formations in Curação
- Archaeological evidence of habitation by Arawak indigenous
- Underground pools and a waterfall





### Ostrich farm

- One of the biggest farms outside Africa
- See how they live and breed
- Feed an ostrich





### Klein Curacao

- 2 hour ferry ride from the island
- Outstanding beach, great diving and snorkeling (uninhabited)
- Considered one of the top 10 secrets in the Carribean http://www.cnn.com/2014/03/23/travel/carib-secrets/





## Venue

## **Marriott Beach Resort & Emerald Casino**

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## Santa Barbara Beach & Golf Resort











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## Santa Barbara Beach & Golf Resort

### Location

- Distance to the Airport: 10Km (~15min)
- About 10 min. drive to Willemstad

### **Meeting facilities**

- 3,000 sq. ft. of renovated indoor meeting spaces
- 1 Ballroom w/ 3 identical breakout rooms
- Outdoor space (pool deck), up to 300 guests

### **Highlights**

- On site diving operation & snorkeling
- Several options of restaurants in walking distance
- Chain resort (standard experience)

#### **Room rates**

Low- \$159 / Medium- \$184 / High- \$210

### Location

- Distance to the Airport: 30Km (~40min)
- About 25 min. drive to Willemstad

### **Meeting facilities**

- 38,000 square ft. meeting spaces
- 2 Ballrooms w/ mixed room breakout options
- Veriety of outdoor spaces (beach, grass, stone)

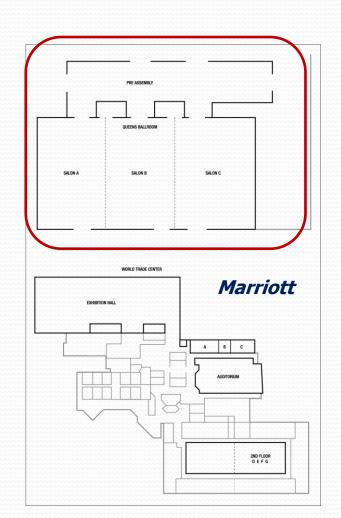
### **Highlights**

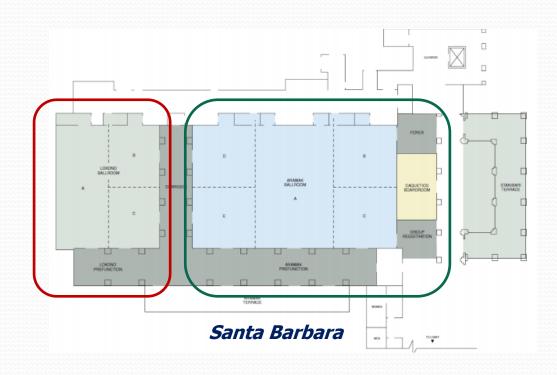
- Huge golf course
- Shuttle service to Willemstad (twice a day)
- Not a chain resort (unique experience)

#### **Room rates**

Low- **\$165** / Medium- \$175 / High- \$195

### **Indoor spaces & options**





## Tentative Budget

Advance registration (150 participants)			
IEEE Member	\$675		
SPS Member	\$625		
Student	\$325		
Non-Member	\$825		

<sup>\*</sup> Onsite registration: + \$100

### <u>Included w/ registration:</u>

- Buffet lunches (w/ soft drinks & juices)
- AM & PM coffee breaks (w/ pastries)
- Welcome reception (w/ 2h open bar)
- Banquet (w/ 3h open bar)

## Tentative Budget (cont'd)

Conference package details (e.g. Marriot)			
Breakfast, buffet lunch & coffee breaks (3 days)			
Happy hour w/ 1h open bar (3 days)			
Welcome reception w/ 2h open bar			
Banquet (dinner buffet) w/ 3h open bar			

<sup>\*</sup> All the prices already include 24% total tax

- Similar rates expected for Santa Barbara's conference package
- Happy hour is optional but seems to be a good idea

- Communication Theory Workshop ( IEEE CTW 2014) will be held on May 25-28 at the Curação Marriott Beach Resort
- Local arrangements Co-chairs (Geert Leus & Robert Heath) will be there and negotiate to choose the best package for CAMSAP 2015

### 2014 Communication Theory Workshop

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Welcome to the 2014 IEEE Communication Theory Workshop (CTW 2014).

The CTW has been through years a continuous success owing it mostly to its highly interactive atmosphere, and top-quality technical contents. As always, the workshop will be single track with technical sessions, plenary speakers, and panel discussions. 5G-related technologies are the leading theme for CTW 2014.

The technical sessions will consist of invited lectures given by leaders in both academia and industry. The hot-topics poster session is an open call.

This year, the workshop will be held on May 25-28 at the <u>Curaçao Marriott Beach Resort</u> on <u>the Piscadera Bay, Curaçao</u>. This Caribbean Island of Netherlands Antilles is located north of Venezuela and offers a mix of European and South-American cultures.

Join us there to learn about the current trends in the area of communications and enjoy the informal exchange with experts and fellow researchers.







**Beaches** 



Willemstad colonial architecture (UNESCO World Heritage city)







Snorkeling







Curaçao Sea Aquarium







The genuine Curaçao liqueur!

## Suggested Schedule

December 2014	First announcement and call for papers
March 2015	Special session proposals
July 2015	Full paper submission
September 2015	Notification of acceptance
October 2015	Camera-ready paper and tentative program
November 2015	Early registration due date

## Tentative Program

Sun. , Dec. 13	Mon. , Dec. 14	Tue. , Dec. 15	Wed. , Dec. 16
	Plenary Talk 1	Plenary Talk 2	Plenary Talk 3
	Technical Sessions	Technical Sessions	Technical Sessions
		Lunch	
	Plenary Talk 4	Plenary Talk 5	Plenary Talk 6
	Technical Sessions	Technical Sessions	Technical Sessions
Tutorials	Coffee break		
	Technical Sessions	Technical Sessions	Technical Sessions
Student Poster Competition	Happy hour	Happy hour	Happy hour
Welcome Reception		Conference Banquet	

- Two parallel oral sessions each time-slot
- One poster session each day (afternoon)



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