

## Why register at the Aruba Chamber?

All businesses are legally required to register at the Aruba Chamber. Any venture conducting any type of commercial activity must be registered not later than one week after its initial start.

The Foundations Ordinance implies that all foundations constituted according to Aruban law are required to file registration for public record at the Aruba Chamber.

As long as a business or foundation does not appear in the registry the owners/ directors/ board-members will remain personally liable for all actions on behalf of their organizations; including legal and fiscal matters.

## Good to know

Company information can be adapted, free of charge, as many times as necessary. The forms are available on our website.

Keeping company data up to date is required by law; but KvK is often approached by third parties seeking local business partners. Don't miss the perfect opportunity, keep your company data up to date!

The Aruba Chamber mostly communicates through email. Make sure to have your email address registered!

Third parties often consult our online registry for information on local businesses.

KvK organizes trade missions or receives invitations for local companies to take part in international trade missions or other expo's, which are interesting opportunities to establish new business contacts.

KvK advises the government on draft laws on business related topics, your input is highly appreciated.

On behalf of Aruba's business society, KvK will participate in various events and other initiatives, both locally and internationally.

KvK advises the Minister on the granting of Business licenses according to predefined criteria available on our website. Keeping us informed on your plans & intentions helps to speed up the advice process.

For more information on our services or products, contact the Trade & Foundations Register or Business Information & Support at telephone number +(297) 582.1566 or send us an email at [registers@arubachamber.com](mailto:registers@arubachamber.com) or [businessinfo@arubachamber.com](mailto:businessinfo@arubachamber.com) [secretariat@arubachamber.com](mailto:secretariat@arubachamber.com)

## What can the Aruba Chamber do for you?



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## Aruba Chamber of Commerce & Industry

## Chamber of Commerce & Industry Aruba

The Chamber of Commerce & Industry was officially assigned as the representative body of trade and industry in Aruba on September 8, 1930 by the Lieutenant Governor of Aruba.

Today the Aruba Chamber is an independent semi-governmental institution that provides solicited and unsolicited information and advice of a social, financial and economic nature in the general interest of commerce and industry to the Aruban government, the Minister of Economic Affairs in particular and the Aruban Business Community.

In addition to these obligations the Aruba Chamber is also responsible for administering and supervising the Trade and Foundations' Register.

### General representation

Our responsibility is to represent and to promote the interest of the Aruban business community in the best way possible. As a consequence, the Aruba Chamber provides various services to those in need of information regarding business in Aruba.

The Trade & Foundations' Registry and Business Information & Support are the two departments offering services directly to our clients. Next to the specifics mentioned hereafter, the Chamber also advises the Government on the granting of business licenses. Our advice is based on the ordinance published on our website which aims at contributing to a balanced economic structure.

Concerns and or feedback by the business community is also greatly appreciated. This information is being passed on to the appropriate instances or can lead to other actions by the Chamber including research and/or publications.

## The Trade and Foundations' Register

The Trade and Foundations' Register are two separate public registers keeping information of all businesses and foundations.

### Services by the Trade & Foundations' Register

Registration of new local businesses.

Registration of all Aruba formed foundations

Cancellation of registered businesses or foundations.

Registration of foundation's board members and company directors, supervisors or liquidator.

Free and unlimited amendments to company and foundation data.

Provision of registry extracts.

Provision of copies of bylaws, amendments or historical information of a company or foundation.

The legalization of EUR-1-forms. This form is obligatory when exporting products to the Netherlands Antilles or the European Union and is obtainable at the Customs' Department. A certification of the Chamber is necessary to legalize the form.

Certification of origin of goods to be exported. This is not always mandatory but when choosing to do so companies are responsible for setting up the certification forms themselves. When this certification is correct, the Chamber will certify it.

Providing specific certificates or letters of recommendation upon request.

Declarations of registration, introduction, liquidation or good standing upon request.

Free access to files or the annual financial statements of financial institutions. Call for an appointment for the Registry Department to have the files ready.

Legalization of copies of bylaws and other public documents held filed in the Registry

## Business Information & Support (BIS)

BIS provides information and support, reactively and proactively, to all those who are interested in business in Aruba, locals and non-locals alike. This is done personally, via phone/ fax and email [businessinfo@arubachamber.com](mailto:businessinfo@arubachamber.com).

### Services by Business Information & Support

Free consultation concerning entrepreneurship, such as how to start a business.

Information on procedures and requirements for business licenses and other business related information.

Lectures by professional (guest) speakers.

Publication of the Chamber's free quarterly magazine, Chamber News and Views.

Possibility to rent different types of meeting rooms in a professional setting.

Organization of events in order to promote business activities, including trade missions and a yearly expo.

Electronic or hard copy listings of registered companies for a reasonable fee.

The Aruba Chamber's Beginner's Guide.

A Multi Media Library containing magazines, books and other research material. International business contact information.

### Visit [www.arubachamber.com](http://www.arubachamber.com)

An online registry for quick business & foundations' information by branch or on company name.

Online forms to adapt company data

Calendar of local and international events.

Relevant business related issues; including Carrying Capacity vision, Chamber establishment guidelines, business license procedure etc.

Information on Aruba, the Aruban market and other relevant topics.