



Pre-registro de certificación Starlight

Application Pack



Destino Turístico Starlight



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1. Introduction

Thank you for your interest in applying to become a StarLight Certified Tourist Destination®.

Certification may be requested by the legal representative of any public or private body (including administrative bodies, organisations, institutions, associations and companies) with authority over a potential Starlight Destination and responsibility for any associated science and/or cultural tourism operating in the area. Private owners of suitable sites and resources who wish to develop such activities may also apply.

The first step in the Certification process is completion of this form and submission of documentary evidence that:

1. The applicant is legally entitled to represent the Starlight Destination candidate;
2. The applicant or the institution that he or she is representing is is protected by Intellectual and Industrial Property. it Declaration and intends to comply with and promote the general principles of sustainability;
3. The applicant is in strict compliance with the conditions set out in the Starlight Certification System Procedure.



2. Admission procedure

Request for information

All entities wishing to certify a Starlight Destination in accordance with the criteria established by the Starlight Tourism Certification System should send a written request to the Starlight Foundation (certification@starlightfoundation.org). Once the request is received, the Starlight Foundation will send details of the certification procedure together with an Application Pack free of charge.

Pre-registration

The completed Application Pack should be returned to the Foundation together with any information available about the zone to be certificated as a Destination. This should include data on sky quality and any existing star tourism,

The applicant is required to pay the registration fee at this time.

This requirement is not solely administrative. The data will also be used to identify any potential incompatibilities or problems that could affect the initial phase of the certification process.

The Starlight Foundation will examine the application to determine whether it meets the minimum conditions required to proceed with the certification process. If the conditions are met the Starlight Foundation will issue details of the audit fees, which must be officially accepted before the audit process can begin.

Admission to the audit process

Once the audit fees have been accepted and the audit details have been agreed the applicant will be

(*) For example, amateur astronomy.

required to make payment. On receipt of payment the Starlight Foundation will appoint two independent experts to perform the astronomy and tourism audits.

Audit

Before the audit commences the Starlight Foundation will provide the applicant body with the "Audit Contents and Astronomical Data Acquisition Guide (normally in electronic format).

The Guide sets out the audit methodology and standards for the acquisition of data to be used in field analysis and verification.

Once it has been collected, the applicant should submit all of the required data and information so that the audit of the candidate Destination can begin.

Certification

Once the audit has been conducted, the auditor(s) will send their reports to the Starlight Foundation, which will then decide whether a certificate is to be awarded.

If the decision is positive the location will be certified as a Starlight Destination for the period determined by the Starlight Certification Committee.

Regardless of the outcome, the Foundation will provide the applicant body with copies of both auditors' reports together with recommendations for improving sky protection and star tourism infrastructure, activities and services.



3. Pre-Registration Form

Information required *:

* The data controller, Fundación Starlight, will process the personal data in order to manage the information corresponding to the legal representatives, signatories, employees, collaborators and other contact persons and the applicant for the issuance of Starlight certifications. You can exercise your rights of access, rectification, deletion and others, as explained in the additional information, which appears in our privacy policy, at www.fundacionstarlight.org

NAME OF ORGANIZATION AND CONTACT DATA

1. Name of organization	
Postal Address	
E-mail address	
Phone / Fax	
Website of the organisation	
Tax identification number	
2. Main Contact	
Name	
E-mail address	
Phone / Fax	
3. Director/Project Manager	
Name	
Position	
E-mail address	
Phone / Fax	
4. Contact Person	
Name	
Position	
E-mail address	
Phone / Fax	

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NATURE OF ORGANIZATION

5. Public, private or civil society

6. Geographical scope¹

7. Geographical region/s of activity²

8. Type/s of organization³

9. Principal activities. Tourism, Environment etc.

Please choose all that apply.

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Tourism Governance and Destination Management (pdb)

Tourism Operations⁴ (pdb)

Other (pdb)

10. Number of employees

11. If a foundation, association, NGO or similar, number of members and . or supporters

12. Membership of other organizations, associations or professional bodies⁵
(pdb)



13. Main partnerships, alliances, consortia, etc.

Please give examples

14. Activities, events, research, case studies etc produced to date.

Please give examples

15. Scientific, educational and/or tourism conventions attended.

Please give examples

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NATURE AND CHARACTERISTICS OF THE CANDIDATE STARLIGHT DESTINATION

16. Name and location (geographical coordinates) of the StarLight Destination Proposed

Name	
Geographical position <i>State, region</i>	
Location: longitude /latitude and/or UTM grid co-ordinates of the site ⁶ and approximate surface	

17. Description of area, borders and buffer zones. SKY-QUALITY PARAMETERS.

Please complete this section with as much quantitative and qualitative data on sky quality parameters as possible. This is preliminary data and it will determine whether the application proceeds to the next stage.

If, after examination, the request is accepted, the Foundation will provide the *Manual for Obtaining Astronomical Data*, which provides detailed information on the methodology to be used when collecting data for the Audit

Foundation, provide all the qualitative and quantitative data on the quality of the sky available to the petitioner. You can also attach pictures of the sky to complement these data.

General description ⁶	
Borders and buffer zones	
Parameters determining Sky Quality ⁷ : Cloud Coverage Seeing Sky Transparency Brightness	
Current use of the site Sky protection measures	



18. Names and location (geographical coordinates) of main towns, tourist resorts and any other likely sources of light pollution:

Inside the candidate StarLight Destination

Inside the buffer zone for the candidate StarLight Destination

Within 50 km of the boundaries of the candidate StarLight Destination

19. Scientific or educational activities currently operating in the candidate Starlight Destination

20. Tourist activities presently operating in the candidate Starlight Destination

21. Activities that could be developed if the StarLight Destination is established

Provide a brief description

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CONTRIBUTION TO THE STARLIGHT INITIATIVE

22. Our organization has the capacity to establish and manage the candidate StarLight Destination

YES
(please explain)

NO
(please explain)

23. Our organization intends to train specialist personnel (for example "Starlight Guides") to operate Star Tourism activities and develop the associated equipment and infrastructure.

(please explain)

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establishment of a Starlight Destination in

YES
(please explain)

NO
(please explain)

25. In addition to the above, we can contribute to the StarLight Initiative in the following ways:
(please explain)

26. We believe that participating in the StarLight Initiative will benefit our organization in the following ways:
(please explain)



27. If our organization chooses to proceed with StarLight Certification and we obtain StarLight Destination status or become a StarLight Associate Member, we would like to be described in Starlight Foundation activities and communications as follows:

(please provide a maximum of 100 words):

1. International, national, regional or local.
2. Africa (AFR), North America (NAM), South America (SAM), East Asia (EAS), South Asia (SAS), Europe (EUR), Middle East (MES), The Pacific (PAC). *Please provide additional descriptions if necessary.*
3. Governmental (GVT); Tourism Governance Organization (TGO); Destination Management Organization (DMO); Private Business Concern(PBC); Education and Knowledge Management, including scientific research (EKM); Not-for-profit organization, including Foundations (NPF), Associations (NPA) and other non-governmental organizations (NGO). Please provide additional descriptions if necessary.
4. Hotel/Accommodation, Restaurant/Catering, Health/Spas/Fitness/Wellbeing, Tour Operator, Travel Agent, Cruises, Sea Transport, Port Management and Services, Road Transport, Rail Transport, Vehicle Hire, Air Transport, Airport Management and Services, Cultural tourism, Museums and Cultural Centres, Performing Arts, Music, Entertainment; Theme Parks, Nature Tourism, Adventure Tourism, Sports Tourism, Youth Tourism, Social Tourism.
5. Government sector/business, scientific/educational, tourism, other.
6. Plan of the site, if available.
7. Relevant information on night sky quality in dark areas, if available. Protection (legislation and regulations in place, owner, stakeholders).



Starlight Certification pre-registration will take effect on payment of the corresponding fees. Once the application form has been received with preliminary data on sky quality and tourist activities, the Foundation will determine whether the criteria for proceeding with certification have been met. The applicant will be notified of the costs involved and the process to be followed, which will differ in each case.

Signed by

(name and position)

Signature:

Date and location:

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I want to receive information about events and activities of the foundation, information about their certifications, news related to the defense of the night sky and blog posts. Also I wish to receive the Foundation's newsletter. Otherwise, enter NO:

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