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A summary of the performance of the Chamber of Commerce & Industry Bonaire during 2022.

- ◆ The further roll-out of the new online trade register system, which now includes all actions that an entrepreneur needs to do business digital with the Chamber of Commerce.
- ◆ Processing of 901 new registrations and 396 deregistrations in the trade register.
- ◆ Following the increase in rates by the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Climate Policy, the Chamber of Commerce has successfully argued for an adjustment and reduction of the new rates.
- ◆ The Chamber has provided information about entrepreneurship to youth during the 'Global Money Week' and also paid attention to children by participating in "Buki di Pret".
- ◆ Stimulation of entrepreneurship at school through information sessions at various schools and also at the students of Stichting Jong Bonaire.
- ◆ The Chamber of Commerce has paid attention to international women's day by giving women a stage in the context of the theme #breakthebias.



- ◆ Participation in consultation platforms such as the Central Dialogue, the Island Crime Control Platform, the Caribbean Netherlands Payment System Working Group and consult with the various interest groups.
- ◆ A covenant has been concluded with the Business Federation Bonaire (BFB) to further intensify cooperation and information exchange. This means, among other things, that parties involve each other better in working visits, receptions and lobbying activities.
- ◆ The Blue Destination website has been professionalized and the certification program has been expanded.
- ◆ For information, a Blue Destination meeting was held for 80 companies with a total of 125 participants.
- ◆ A substantive session was held with the Chamber of Commerce Curaçao about “doing business on Bonaire”.
- ◆ The Chambers of Commerce of the former Netherlands Antilles “the Dutch Caribbean Chambers of Commerce” (DCCC), of which KvK Bonaire is also a member, have signed a joint agreement to ensure better trade, the opening of the borders with Venezuela and the implementation of the country packages for the CAS countries.



GROWTH & EXPANSION KvK ACADEMY



BEGELEID EN ADVISEERT ONDERNEMERS

- Beheert het handelsregister
- Verstrekt advies over economische ontwikkeling
- Verbind organisaties



- ◆ Various consultations have been held with other Chambers of Commerce in the region, such as with Holland House Colombia and the Chamber of Commerce Falcon/Venezuela.
- ◆ Further roll-out of the Chamber of Commerce Academy, where a total of 34 people have obtained a certificate in 2022 and the winners of the final assignment 'Tanki di Tribon' have won considerable prize packages.
- ◆ The Chamber of Commerce website with 130,315 page views and our social media with 2,650 followers are an important source of information for many entrepreneurs.
- ◆ On September 15 2022, the Information Point for the Environment was opened at the Chamber of Commerce. This information point is a collaboration of the Public Entity Bonaire, the Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Management and the Chamber of Commerce Bonaire. Information is provided about the new Installations and Activities Decree (IAB) to be introduced.
- ◆ The Chamber of Commerce, together with BONHATA, gave substance to the Flinx Recruitment Expo Dutch Caribbean (FRED) expo in Utrecht by enthusing professionals there to make the transition to the Caribbean; the vacancies of the private sector were also presented by the Chamber at this expo.

- ◆ In November 2022, the “Bonaire Art Exhibition” was again organized by the Chamber of Commerce. A very successful edition with hundreds of attendees and very enthusiastic participants.
- ◆ The board of the Chamber of Commerce has visited various stakeholders and ministries in the Netherlands during 2022 to discuss relevant issues for Bonaire.
- ◆ Various substantive sessions have been held with the Tax and Customs Administration of the Caribbean Netherlands for entrepreneurs regarding taxes.
- ◆ The Chamber of Commerce cooperates with Qredits, the Public Entity Bonaire and the Netherlands Enterprise Agency (RVO) in the field of guidance for entrepreneurs.
- ◆ During 2022, the Chamber of Commerce has been involved in discussions in the field of sustainability and “climate change” and strives for schemes for entrepreneurs who want to become more sustainable.



BLUE DESTINATION CERTIFICATION LAUNCH OF THE WEBSITE

