

## Hurricane Irma: Crawford® sets up Dutch 'Desk' to assist clients with risks in the Lesser Antilles

Crawford & Company® in the Netherlands has been monitoring islands in the Lesser Antilles archipelago (known as the Dutch Caribbean) where Hurricane Irma has caused extensive damage.

"Hurricane Irma hit St. Maarten, Saba and St. Eustatius very hard and it appears that it has caused havoc," says George Oostrom, managing director, Benelux & France.

"Contact with the area is still extremely limited. It goes without saying that we have anticipated this and Crawford Catastrophe Services® has already set up a coordination point in order to be able to look after our clients' interests."

"For our Dutch clients we have, given the reduced opportunities for communication in the region, now set up a separate 'Irma Desk', where all of our business clients can seek answers to their questions. We will then ensure that the right person in the area will process their claim(s) and our clients will be kept adequately informed.

Crawford Catastrophe Services is fully equipped to deal with all kinds of claims.

"Our Global Technical Services® team is also expecting substantial notifications across the region for property damage and business interruption claims as well as marine and transport losses of varying magnitudes," added George Oostrom.

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