

Joint meeting of MedCOF-5, SEECOF-14 and PRESANORD-9

23 to 26 November 2015

Marrakech, Morocco

Information for Participants

1. Venue and Dates

The three events will be held in Marrakech, Morocco, at the below given address of the “Kenzi Farah Hotel” from 23 to 26 November 2015:

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Website : www.kenzi-hotels.com

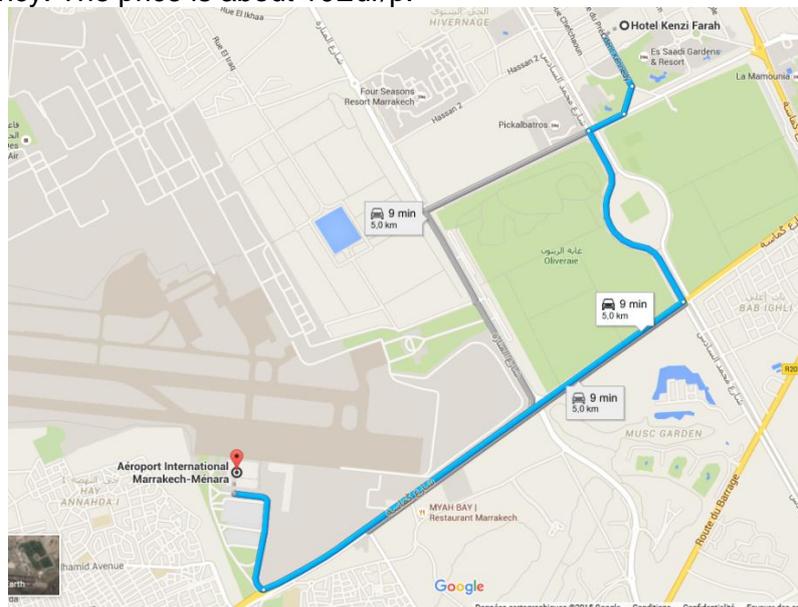
2. Accommodation & Logistics

Participants are encouraged to stay at the “Kenzi Farah Hotel” where the Forum will be held. A block reservation has been made at special rates 680MAD for a single room per night with breakfast. In order to confirm their booking, participants should provide information about their arrival and departure date to the local coordinator: m.d.elhachimi@gmail.com, as early as possible but preferably before 17 November 2015.

3. Transportation Between Airport and the Hotel

The participants will be responsible of their local transportation & expenses between airport and the hotel. All international participants are expected to arrive at **Marrakech Menara Airport**. To get from the **Marrakech Menara Airport** to the hotel, take a taxi. The taxi ride will cost about 20 €. Please agree on the fare with your driver before you begin the journey.

Participants who need assistant should **provide their itinerary status to Mr Elhachimi, before 17 November 2015**, in order to arrange their transport from Airport to the hotel through an agency. The price is about 10Eur/p.



4. Entry Visa for Morocco

It is recommended that international participants start the process for getting an entry visa for Morocco, if it is required. The contact details for all participants will be forwarded to Mr. **Moulay Driss Elhachimi**, the local organizer, who can be contacted at m.d.elhachimi@gmail.com in case of any questions regarding visas. For more information please visit: http://www.consulat.ma/an/prestation.cfm?gr_id=72
Below table shows the countries whose nationals are exempted from visa:

Algeria	Bulgaria	Estonia	Hong Kong SAR (for a period of thirty days)	Luxembourg	Peru	Slovakia
Germany	Canada	UAE	Indonesia	Mali	Poland	Slovenia
Andorra	Chile	USA	Ireland	Malta	Philippines	suede
Saudi Arabia	Cyprus	Russian Federation	Iceland	Mexico	Portugal	Switzerland
Argentina	Congo (Brazzaville)	Finland	Italy	Monaco	Puerto Rico	Czech Republic
Australia	South Korea	France	Japan	Niger	Qatar	Tunisia
Austria	Côte d'Ivoire	Gabon	Kuwait	Norway	Romania	Turkey
Bahrain	Croatia	Greece	Latvia	new Zealand	UK	Venezuela
Belgium	Denmark	Guinea	Liechtenstein	Oman	Senegal	
					Singapore (for a period of thirty days)	
Brazil	Spain	Hungary	Lithuania	Netherlands		

5. Currency Exchange

The official currency of Morocco is the Moroccan Dirham, denoted as MAD or Dhs. The Moroccan Dirham is composed of 100 centimes; notes are available in denominations of (Dhs) 200, 100, 50, 25, and 20, all in new and old varieties and coins are available in denominations of (Dhs) 10, 5, 2 and 1, or 50, 20, 10 and 5 centimes. There are several types of 10 and 5 Dirham coins in circulation. Below are the approximate exchange rates for Euro and US Dollars.

1 USD = 9.80 Dhs
1 EUR = 10.80 Dhs

6. Climate

The mean conditions in Marrakech in November are as follows:

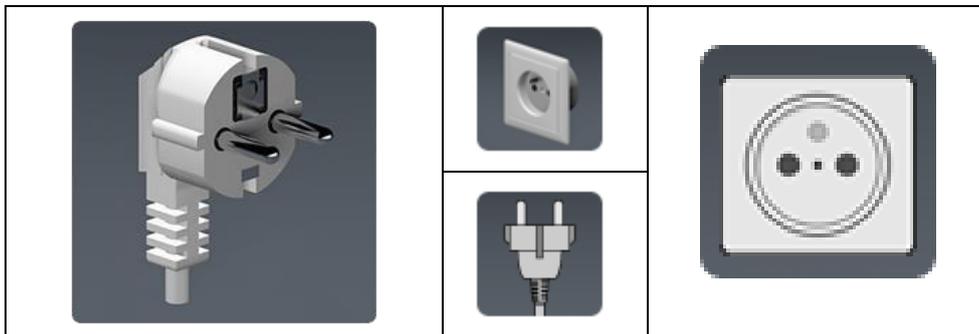
Max Daytime Temperature °C	: 22°C
Min Night-time Temperature °C	: 10°C
Hours of Sunshine (Daily)	: 7.3 Hours per day
Days with some Rainfall	: 6 Days
Monthly Rainfall (mm)	: 41 mm

7. Time Zone

In November, there is no time difference between local time in Casablanca and the Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).

8. Voltage

The voltage in morocco is 220-240V and the plug shape is French type, illustrated below. If your appliances plug has a different shape, you may need a plug adapter.



9. Coordination

The local coordinator:

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