PACIFIC ICT MINISTERIAL FORUM: CONNECTING THE UNCONNECTED
17-20 FEBRUARY 2009, NUKU’ALOFA, TONGA

Registrations

The registration to the Forum can be sent using the attached form by 30 January 2009.

Venue:

The forum will be held for four days at the:
Fa’onelua Conference Centre
Vuna Road, Nuku‘alofa, TONGA

Name Badges will be picked at the Conference Centre reception desk.

Hotel Accommodation & Reservations:

- Special rate for the participants will be soon available at http://www.itu.int/ITU-D/asp/CMS/Events/FEB2009/PACIFIC.asp. If you need assistance please contact Mr Feáo Vakata, +676 24-644 or mobile +676 16-294, 16-639 or Ms Robyn Kaho at the same contact numbers. Most Hotels have internet access.

- Reservations can be made straight to these hotels emails:
  - International Dateline Hotel  idh_reservation@yahoo.com  tel. +676 23-411
  - Seaview Lodge  seaview@kalianet.to  tel. +676 23-709
  - The Black Pearl Suite  thepearl@kalianet.to  tel. +676 28-293
  - Waterfront Lodge  waterfro@tonfon.to  tel. +676-260

For more information please refer to the Tonga Visitors Bureau website www.tongaholiday.com tel. +676 25-334 fax +676 23-507

Hotel Check In & Check Out times:

Check in and Checkout is usually flexible depending on the aircraft timetable. When booking, please confirm with the hotel reservations.

Transport from Hotel to Meeting venue:

The venue is centrally located. If delegates stay International Dateline Hotel the venue is within walking distance.

Transport from Airport to hotels:

The Department of Communication will be providing airport transfers for participants who request it (communications@pmo.gov.to). Please let us know of your itinerary a week prior to the commencement of the meeting.
Visa and Immigration Requirements:

Countries that do not require an entry visa to Tonga are listed below:

- Australia
- Austria
- Bahamas
- Barbados
- Belgium
- Brazil
- Brunei Darussalam
- Bulgaria
- Canada
- Cook Islands
- Cyprus
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- Dominica Republic
- Estonia
- Federated States of Micronesia
- Fiji
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Hungary
- Ireland
- Italy
- Japan
- Kiribati
- Korea
- Latvia
- Lithuania
- Luxembourg
- Malaysia
- Malta
- Marshall Islands
- Monaco
- Nauru
- Netherlands
- New Caledonia (French Passports)
- New Zealand
- Niue (holders of NZ Passports)
- Norway
- Palau
- Papua New Guinea
- Poland
- Portugal
- Romania
- Russian Federation
- Samoa
- Seychelles
- Singapore
- Slovakia
- Slovenia
- Solomon Islands
- Spain
- St Kitts & Nevis
- St Lucia
- St Vincent & The Grenadines
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- Tahiti (French Passport Holders)
- Tokelau (holders of NZ Passports)
- Turkey
- Tuvalu
- Ukraine
- United Kingdom - Great Britain & Northern Ireland
- United States of America
- Vanuatu
- Wallis & Futuna (French Passport Holders)

A Letter of confirmation from the Department of Communications for this event is available on request to communications@pmo.gov.to. For countries requiring Visa, please refer to the Visa application form available on the website.

Airport Tax:

Most countries will include Airport Tax with airline ticket, however, enquire with your Ticketing Agent for any Airport or applicable taxes.

Currency:

Local currency is Paānga (TOP) Current rate is TOP$1.00 = US$0.4874; but may fluctuate.

Time:

Local time compared to GMT
+13 Hours
Electricity:

220-240 volt and 3 pin plug. Countries with dissimilar pin & voltage configuration are required to bring their own conversion adapters.

Climate:

Approx weather conditions are temperatures between 28-30 Celsius (80-85 F). Delegates may be advised to bring light clothing.

General Information about the city of the venue:

For tourist information and what’s on in Nukuálofa, consult the following website: http://www.tongaholiday.com

Dress

Dress standard - Island business casual

Internet Access

Wireless Internet access will be available at the workshop venue.

Contact Information

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