



ITU Regional Workshop on Frameworks for Cybersecurity and CIIP & Cybersecurity Forensics Workshop¹



Doha, Qatar, 18-21 February 2008

Practical Information for Meeting Participants

1 Venue

The workshop will be held at the Doha Marriott Hotel, which is conveniently located about 10 minutes from the airport on the Bay of Doha.



Doha Marriott Gulf Hotel
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Doha, Qatar

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Web: www.dohamarriott.com

2 Getting to Doha, Qatar

Qatar is well served by several major airlines, the most prominent being Qatar Airways, one of the few five-star airlines in the world: www.qatarairways.com. Direct flights are available to Doha from many major cities or with a connection via Dubai.

3 Arrival and Local Transportation

Participants are responsible for arranging their own transportation from the airport. Taxis are available immediately outside the arrivals terminal for a nominal charge.

Transportation in and around Doha is readily available via local taxi or limousine companies. Most hotels provide airport service on request and can arrange car service by the day or week.

4 Entry Requirements for Qatar

Qatar has streamlined the process by which visitors can enter. Visas are available on-arrival for citizens of 33 countries. Full information can be found at http://www.dohaairport.com/services_visaregulations.html.

Citizens of GCC member states do not require visas to enter Qatar. For non-GCC citizens and those not eligible for an on-arrival visa, a sponsored business visa for the purpose of attending the ITU event can be obtained by sending a scanned copy of your passport's inside cover page to: visas@qcert.org.

5 Currency and Banking

The local currency is the Qatari Riyal. The exchange rate is 3.65 QR to 1 US Dollar or 5.35 QR to 1 Euro. ATM machines are available in the hotels and most commercial areas, such as the shopping malls. Credit cards are

¹ Workshop website: <http://www.itu.int/ITU-D/cyb/events/2008/doha/index.html>

accepted at all major hotels and most commercial shops. Banks are generally open from 07:30 to 13:00, Sunday through Thursday.

6 Shopping

There are several major shopping malls in Doha such as City Centre, Landmark, Villagio, Hyatt Plaza, and Royal Plaza. The malls are large and sophisticated with shops, restaurants, and entertainment facilities such as indoor amusement parks and skating rinks. In addition to the malls, there are hundreds of traditional markets or “souqs” which sell merchandise ranging from cloth to electronics. Of particular interest is Souq Waqif, near the Corniche, which is well worth a walking tour.

7 Electricity

Qatar utilizes a 240 volt / 50 Hz system, with a “type G” adaptor. Visitors are advised to bring a universal travel adaptor to ensure ready connectivity.

8 Climate

Qatar is a peninsula to the east of Saudi Arabia, nearly surrounded by the waters of the Arabian Gulf. The weather in mid-February should be quite pleasant, with little rain and temperatures ranging from 14°C to 23°C.

9 Health and Vaccinations

No specific vaccinations are required. Visitors should observe general traveler’s precautions associated with food preparation, water consumption, and other potential causes of intestinal illnesses. Some visitors occasionally experience respiratory difficulties due to occasional airborne sand.

10 Contact

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11 Accommodation

A list of recommended hotels is provided below.

Hotel	Web site	Phone	Fax
Marriott **** Standard \$233 Executive \$274 (Special rates only valid until 10 February 2008)	http://www.dohamarriott.com Reference ictQATAR/ITU for special rate Marriott Hotel booking form is available at http://www.itu.int/ITU-D/cyb/events/2008/doha/marriott-hotel-booking-form.doc	+974 429 8888	+974 441 8784
Ramada *** ~\$247	http://www.ramadaplazadoha.com/	+974 428 1428	+974 441 0941
Rydges *** ~ \$235	http://www.rydges.com/hotel/0/RODOHA/Rydges-Plaza-Doha.htm	+974 438 5444	+974 438 5445
Sharq ***** ~ \$495	http://www.ritzcarlton.com/en/Properties/SharqVillage/Default.htm	+974 256 6666	+ 974 425 6660
Moevenpick *** ~ \$260	http://www.moevenpick-hotels.com/hotels/Doha/welcome.htm	+974 429 1111	+974 429 1100
Sheraton **** ~ \$345	http://www.starwoodhotels.com/sheraton/property/overview/index.html?propertyID=409	+974 485 4444	+974 483 2323
Merweb **** ~ \$180	http://www.merweb-hotel.com/	+974 447 1111	+974 447 1117