



The Regional Development Forum (RDF-ARB), 29 January 2017 & the Regional Preparatory Meeting of the Arab States for the World Telecommunication Development Conference in 2017, 30 Jan – 1 Feb 2017

Khartoum-Sudan

Information for participants

Event Venue

The two events will be held from, 29 Jan-1 Feb 2017 in al Salam Rotana at the following address:

Alsalam Rotana Hotel

Africa Street

Khartoum, Sudan

Tel: +249 1 8700 7777

Fax: +249 1 8700 7788

E-mail: sales.alsalam@rotana.com

Web: www.rotana.com

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Registration

The registration of the participants will begin on Saturday, 28 January at 1400h at the entrance of the meeting room in the Alsalam Rotana Hotel.

HOTEL RESERVATION

Kindly be advised that it is recommended for participants to reserve their hotel accommodations via telephone, fax or E-mail, directly with the hotels of preference (ranging from 5 to 3 stars). Please be aware of the fact that the transportation between the hotels and the airport and between the hotels and the venue will be provided only for delegates who are staying in the official recommended hotels.

List of Recommended Hotels

AlsalamRotanaHotel * * * * *

Single classic room \$ 140(with breakfast)
Double classic room \$ 160 (with breakfast)
Single club Rotana room \$ 220 (with breakfast)

Tel : + 249 187 007777

Fax : + 249 187 007788

www.rotana.com E-mail: ahmed.tahir@rotana.com

Subject to 17% VAT, 5% Service charge &5% Residence fees.

Corinthia Hotel * * * * *

Deluxe room \$ 197(with breakfast)
Executive room \$ 370 (with breakfast)

Tel : +249(0) 187 155 55

Fax : + 249(0) 187 555 666

www.corinthia.com/khartoum E-mail:reservations.khartoum@corinthia.com

Rates are inclusive the 17% VAT and 5 % residency fee.

Holiday Villa Hotel * * * * *

Business Room (single \$ 80double \$ 100) with breakfast
Standard Room (single \$ 90double \$ 110) with breakfast
Deluxe Nile Room(single \$ 111 double \$ 130) with breakfast
Junior Suite (single \$ 150 double \$ 180) with breakfast

Tel : + 249 183 774039

Fax : + 249 183 773961

www.holidayvillakhartoum.comE-mail:reservation@holidayvillakhartoum.com

The prices are inclusive of all taxes and service charge

KanonHotel 15th street* * * * *

Single room \$ 80 (with breakfast)

Double room \$ 120 (with breakfast)

Tel : + 249 183 595959

Fax : + 249 183 595555

www.kanonhotel.com E-mail:sales@kanonhotel.com

Kanon Hotel Khartoum 2* * * * *

Single room \$ 60 (with breakfast)

Double room \$ 90 (with breakfast)

Tel : + 249 183 595959

Fax : + 249 183 595555

www.kanonhotel.com E-mail:sales@kanonhotel.com

Subject to 17% VAT, 5% Service charge &5% Residence charge

Coral Hotel

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Single room \$ 130 (with breakfast)

Double room \$ 150 (with breakfast)

Tel : +249 183 774100

Fax : +249 183 775793

www.hmhotelgroup.com/coral/sudan/khartoum/coralkhartoum

E-mail: info@khartoumregencyhotel.com

Subject to 17% VAT &5% Residence fees.

VISA PROCEDURE

A valid passport is required to enter Sudan. In this case, participants are strongly advised to seek information on requirements applicable in their case from the Sudanese Embassy / Consulate in their home countries **at least 15 days prior to the trip**.

In case there is no Embassy or Consulate of Sudan in your country, it is recommended to send, **at least two weeks before the event** a clear scanned copy of your passport to the to the event website to order to assist in issuing your visa.

The following documents are required:

- Valid passport.
- A round-trip airline.
- Hotel booking in your name or in the name of the person with whom you will be staying, including the address/phone number of your place of stay.
- Confirmation of registration for the event.
- The counter visa fee is **100\$(one hundred us dollar) only in dollar**.
- Registration fees for ordinary passports **50\$**

***If you need visa support please contact Ms. Aryg Mohammed.

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TRANSPORTATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

Transfers to and from Khartoum Airport and official hotels will be provided to participants who have provided their flight details through the identified channels. They will be greeted on arrival by an authorized representative in the arrival hall of the airport who, in addition to welcoming, may assist them upon their arrival to solve any problems.

NTC will provide transportation between the recommended hotels and the venue of the event.

CURRENCY



The official currency is the Sudanese Pound (SDG) available in notes of 2, 5,10,20,50 SDG. Coins of 1 SDG and 10, 20, 50 pts.

Exchange transactions can be done in banks, airport at the official rates.

Banks are opened from Sunday till Thursday, from 8.30 to 14.30.

Visa, American Express, Access/MasterCard, Diners Club cards and travelers checks can't be used.

The exchange current rates in Sudan as in Thursday 5th January as follows:

 Dollar	15.30 SDG
 Euro	17.46 SDG

CLIMATE

The weather is cold, dry in January and February. Approximate temperatures will vary between 20-38 degrees Celsius.

SECURITY

Khartoum is a venue for major conferences and presents a low risk to business travelers. However, as with travel to any major city, it is important to take responsibility for your personal safety and exercise common sense security precautions at all times.

Delegates should observe common sense security precautions and not venture outside the main business and tourist areas unless accompanied by a trusted local guide.

For any security incident, visitors should contact the police on 999.

PROHIBITIONS

- Alcohol is not allowed.

ELECTRICITY

AC power voltage in Sudan is 220 V, frequency 50Hz. Most electrical outlets are British standard mostly 2 outlets.

SERVICES AVAILABE FOR PARTICIPANTS DURING THE Event

Communication Center:

Internet Access free of charge will be available at the event meeting room.

Medical Assistance:

Emergency and urgency medical assistance will be provided free of charge within the premises where the event will take place. Nevertheless, it is advised to take out international travel insurance to cover any medical expenses in case of medical treatment.

GENERAL INFORMATION

President	H.E. Omar Hassan Ahmad Al-Bashir
Minister in charge of ICT	Dr.Tahani Abdalla Attia
Area	1882000km2
Population	37,419,625
Capital	Khartoum
Official Language	Arabic is the official language. English is widely spoken (in most hotels and official offices).
Calling Code	+249
Internet TLD	.sd
Time Zone	GMT+3
Date format	dd/mm/yyyy

Sudan - the land of civilizations:



Sudan, officially (the Republic of the Sudan) is a republic in the Nile Valley of North Africa, bordered by Egypt to the north, the Red Sea, Eritrea and Ethiopia to the east, South Sudan to the south, the Central African Republic to the southwest, Chad to the west and Libya to the northwest. It is the third largest country in Africa. The Nile River divides the country into eastern and western halves. Sudan was home to numerous ancient civilizations, such as the

Kingdom of Kush, Karma, Nobatia, Allodia, Makuria, Meroe and others, most of which flourished along the Nile River.

Sudan is a member of the United Nations, the African Union, the Arab League, the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and the Non-Aligned Movement, as well as an observer in the World Trade Organization.

Khartoum- Capital of Sudan:

Location

Khartoum town lies along the left bank of the Blue Nile, and forms a huge triangle. Its vertex at the confluence of then two Niles, the White Nile on its west side and the Blue Nile on its east and the base bordering Gezira State some 30 K. southward. It is situated on latitude 15 36 N, and longitude 31 32 E, and it is 1352 ft. above sea level. Its population has grown to over 5 million people. Khartoum, together with the two cities, Omdurman and Khartoum North (Bahri), these cities jointly called the tri-capital, constitute the National Capital of Sudan. We wish you a pleasant stay in the nation's capital, and hope that you will visit again in the future.



