



## ***ITU/BDT Arab Regional IXP Workshop and Experts meeting***

***5-6 April 2016, Tunis, Tunisia***

### ***Information for participants***

#### **VENUE OF THE WORKSHOP**

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The Workshop will be held from 5-6 April 2016 in Tunis-Tunisia at the following address:

**Ramada Plaza Hotel**

Les Côtes de Carthage, Gammarth, Tunis.

<http://www.ramadaplaza-tunis.com/>

#### **COORDINATORS**

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#### **REGISTRATION AND WORKING HOURS**

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The registration of the participants will take place in the Workshop venue on 5 April, at 9.00 hrs. The opening session will start at 10 am. Working hours are from 10.00 to 17.00.

#### **HOTEL RESERVATION**

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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 4 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

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Hotel	Star Rating	Facilities Included	Distance to Venue	Daily Rate (USD)	Contact
Ramada Plaza	5 stars		Venue	87.5	Adel.messaoud@ramadaplazatunis.com
Regency	5 stars		2 km	-	www.regencytunis.com
Le Palace	5 stars		2 km	-	www.lepalace.tn

## VISA PROCEDURE

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A valid passport & visa are required to enter Tunisia. Each participant is requested to consult the Tunisian Embassy in his/her country of origin to obtain the visa.

In case there is no Embassy or Consulate of Tunisia in your country, it is recommended to send, at least three weeks before the workshop, a copy of your passport to Mr. Khaled Khelifi, ATI, Email: [khaled@ati.tn](mailto:khaled@ati.tn), Tel: +216 71 846 100, Fax: +216 71 846 600, in order to assist in issuing your visa.

## TRANSPORTATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

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Transfers to and from Tunis Airport and official hotels will be provided to participants who have provided their flight details through the identified channels.

The airport has all necessary amenities to welcome participants properly. It is located [10] minutes from the city and the official hotels of the forum and the airport is used for arrival and departure of international flights.

## PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

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The officially recommended hotels are located close to the event venue. For those who wish to take a taxi, it is strongly recommended that delegates only use [yellow national taxis]. The cost of a journey of 10 kilometers is approximately [cost about 10 TND].



## CURRENCY

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The official currency is Tunisian Dinar (TND).

Visa, American Express, Access/MasterCard, and Diners Club cards can also be used. Most banks are open from 08:00 am until 04:00 pm from Monday to Friday.

The exchange current rates in Tunisia as of March 2016 are as follows:

 <b>Dollar</b>	2.000 TND
 <b>Euro</b>	2.250 TND

## CLIMATE

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April is in the spring season in Tunisia, the weather will be changing but mostly hot. Approximate temperatures will vary between 20-30 degrees Celsius.

## SECURITY

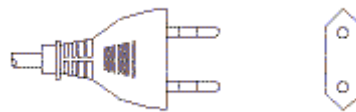
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The crime rate in Tunisia is medium on UNDSS security advisory. However, visitors are advised to observe common safety practices while travelling (e.g. storing valuables in a safe, keeping wallets in a secure pocket, etc.). For any security incident, visitors should contact the police on 197.

## ELECTRICITY

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AC power voltage in Tunisia is 220V, frequency ~50Hz. Most electrical outlets are as shown below.



## SERVICES AVAILABLE FOR PARTICIPANTS DURING THE WORKSHOP

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### **Communication Center:**

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

### **Security:**

For security reasons, all participants should always wear their badges during the training and in all social activities.

### **Medical Assistance:**

Emergency and urgency medical assistance will be provided free of charge within the premises where the training 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

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### **General Information about the Tunisia:**

<b>Government</b>	Republic of Tunisia
<b>King/president</b>	President Mr. Beji Caid Essebsi
<b>Prime Minister</b>	Head of Government Mr. Habib Essid
<b>Area</b>	163.610 km <sup>2</sup>
<b>Population</b>	11 millions
<b>Capital</b>	Tunis
<b>Official Language</b>	Arabic
<b>Country Code</b>	216
<b>Time Zone</b>	GMT+1