

High Level Forum on Digital Inclusion



Khartoum - Sudan, 27 September 2018

Information for participants

VENUE OF THE FORUM

The Forum will be held on 27 September 2018 in Khartoum at the following address:

Venue: TPRA Telecommunication Tower Address: Khartoum – Burri – Nile Street

COORDINATORS

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REGISTRATION AND WORKING HOURS

The on-site registration of participants will take place in the Forum's venue on 27 September 2018, at 08:30 am. The opening session will start at 09:00 am. Working hours are from 09:00 to 17:00.

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, indicating their arrival schedules before **20 September 2018**, with a copy to the Forum Coordinator, Eng. Aryg Mohammed Ahmed (E-mail: aryg@tpra.gov.sd; Mobile: +249 912 973 291), to ensure the reception at the airport of Khartoum. Please be aware of the fact that the transportation between the hotels and the airport will be provided only for delegates who are staying in the official recommended hotels.

List of Recommended Hotels

AlsalamRotanaHotel ****

Single room \$ 245 (with breakfast) + (5% resident

fees and 5% Service charge. All are subject to 17% VAT)

Double room \$ 270 (with breakfast) + (5% resident

fees and 5% Service charge. All are subject to 17% VAT)

Tel: + 249 187 007777 Fax: + 249 187 007788

www.rotana.com E-mail: sales.alsalam@ rotana.com

Kanon Hotel 15TH Street ****

Standard Single room \$ 140 (with breakfast) + (5% resident fees+ 17% VAT)

Double room \$ 180 (with breakfast) + (5% resident fees+ 17% VAT)

Tel: + 249 183 595959 Fax: + 249 183 595555

<u>www.kanonhotel.com</u> E-mail:<u>sales@kanonhotel.com</u>

Paradise Hotel ****

Single room \$ 130 (with breakfast)

Double room \$ 200 (with breakfast)

Tel: + 249 183 464611 Fax: + 249 183 779087

Abbashar Hotel ***

Single room \$ 80 (with breakfast)
Double room \$ 90 (with breakfast)

Tel: +249 187 199 000

www.abbasherpalace.com E-mail:abbasherhotel@hotmail.com

Prince Hotel* * *

Single room \$ 75 (with breakfast)

Double room \$ 85 (with breakfast)

E-mail: princehotel@shahad-group.com

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 Event Coordinator Email in 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 Eng. Aryg Mohammed Ahmed–Forum Coordinator

TRANSPORTATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

Khartoum International Airport is the main point of entry into to Sudan Airport. Taxis and shuttles are available from the airport to hotels. Hotels can arrange to pick up for the participants.

CURRENCY

- The official currency is the **Sudanese Pound (SDG).**
- Visa, American Express, Access/MasterCard, and Diners Club cards cannot be used.
- Foreign currencies are NOT ACCEPTED for payment. Foreign currencies may be changed into Sudanese Pounds at banks or private exchange offices. Most banks are open from Sunday until Thursday, from 8.30 to 14.00.
- The exchange current rates in Sudan as of 2018 are as follows:

■ Dollar	29.12 SDG
Euro	34.27 SDG

CLIMATE

The weather in September is very hot. Approximate temperatures in September will be between 28-40 degrees Celsius.

SECURITY

Khartoum is a venue for major conferences and presents a low risk to business travelers. However, as when travelling 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.

ELECTRICITY

AC power voltage in Sudan is 220 V, frequency 50Hz. Most electrical outlets are British standard both 2 and 3 outlets.



SERVICES AVAILABLE FOR PARTICIPANTS DURING THE WORKSHOP

Communication Center:

Internet Access free of charge will be available at the event Forum room. Hotels normally offer free Wi-Fi connectivity.

Security:

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

Medical Assistance:

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

Healthy and safe drinking water will be available at Forum venue, and it is easy to get additional amounts from any shopping point.

• GENERAL INFORMATION

General Information about the Sudan:

Government	Federal dominant party Presidential/Republic
President	H.E. Mr. Omar Hassan Ahmad Al-Bashir
Prime Minister	H.E. Mr. Bakri Hassan Salih
Area	1,886,068 km2
Population	39,105,664
Capital	Khartoum
Official Language	Arabic
Country Code	+249 / .sd
Time Zone	GMT+2