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ITU Digital Transformation Forum

Issyk-Kul, Kyrgyzstan, 28-30 August 2023

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

1. Event venue

Baytur Resort & SPA
Bosteri village, Issyk-Kul district, Issyk-Kul region
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2. Registration

In-person registration will take place on 28 August, 2023 from 09:30 to 10:00 at the venue of the event.

3. Languages

The event will be held in Russian.

4. Recommended hotels

Baytur Resort & SPA

Zhukeeva-Pudovkina St., 41, crosses the street. Scriabin, Bosteri 722101 Kyrgyzstan

Web-site

Approximate cost

Room category	Room rate per night, USD
Standard	from 118
Junior Suite	from 198

Rooms must be booked by 21 August, 2023.

Prices include a discount for event participants, so for booking you need to send information about the time and date of your arrival / departure by e-mail nastassia.lahutsik@itu.int.

Also, please note that check-in is after 14.00 and check-out is before 12.00. Early check-in or late check-out are charged extra.

5. Transport

Issyk-Kul Tamchy Airport is located on the northern coast of Issyk-Kul, 35 km from the city of Cholpon-Ata. Tamchy Airport receives flights from Moscow, Novosibirsk and Yekaterinburg.

Manas International Airport is the airport of Bishkek, the capital of Kyrgyzstan. It is located 23 km northwest of the city of Bishkek in the Chui region. Lake Issyk-Kul is located at a distance of about 260 km from the airport, the journey takes about 4 hours by car.

6. Contacts

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7. Currency/exchange/credit cards

The national currency of Kyrgyzstan – som, its international designation is KGS.

Any currency exchange transactions must be carried out only in the branches of commercial banks of Kyrgyzstan, microfinance organizations or exchange bureaus that are licensed by the National Bank of the Kyrgyz Republic.

Visa, Mastercard, MIR, American Express and UnionPay cards work in Kyrgyzstan.

As of 4 July 2023, the following exchange rates were in effect:

1 USD = 87,43 KGS

1 EUR = 95,27 KGS

Current exchange rates in various banks are available on the website: https://valuta.kg/.

8. Climate

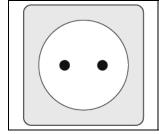
The climate of the area is temperate continental. This region is characterized by warm, dry weather, rains are rare. According to statistics, in August the average air temperature in Issyk-Kul during the day is +17°C, at night +7.5°C. In this case, the daytime temperature can reach 30°C. The weather forecast can be found on the website https://www.accuweather.com/ru/kg/ysyk-kol/226684/daily-weather-forecast/226684.

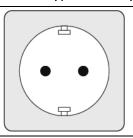
9. Time

GMT+06:00

10. Electric devices

Voltage power in Almaty - 220V / 50 Hz. Electric outlets are of Type C and Type F.





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11. Communication means

At the venue of the event, participants will be provided with wireless Internet access.

For international calls from Kyrgyzstan, dial plus, then the country code, area code (when calling from a mobile phone) or follow the instructions on the phone cards.

The following mobile operators operate in Kyrgyzstan - Megacom, Beeline, Nurtelecom.

12. Visa

Kyrgyzstan is one of the most open countries in Central Asia for travelers. Citizens of many countries can enter Kyrgyzstan without a visa for a period of 30 days, and for some countries - up to an unlimited period of stay. Electronic visas (www.evisa.e-gov.kg) and visas on arrival are also available for guests of Kyrgyzstan.

The list of countries that have an agreement on a visa-free regime with Kyrgyzstan can be found at the <u>link</u>.

Participants are solely responsible for obtaining a visa, if necessary, and complying with any requirements for entry into the country related to the sanitary and epidemiological situation.

13. General information

Issyk-Kul is the largest lake in Kyrgyzstan. Its name translates as "hot lake". The water temperature here does not drop to minus even in winter, so the lake never freezes. It is located at an altitude of 1608 meters above sea level and ranks seventh in the list of the deepest lakes in the world.

