## LOGISTICS, VISA AND OTHER PRACTICAL INFORMATION ITU/SAE joint workshop on "How Communications will Change Vehicles and Transport" (Detroit, MI, USA, 8-9 October 2018)

## 1 Event venue

Cobo Center, Detroit, MI (Room 260)Address:1 Washington Blvd, Detroit, MI 48226Tel.:+1 (313) 877-8777Website:https://www.cobocenter.com

## 2 Hotels

Please find below our preferred hotel with a discounted room rate for ITU attendees. This hotel is located just in front of the Cobo Center in a very convenient location to attend the event:

#### Crowne Plaza Detroit Downtown Riverfront

2 Washington Blvd Detroit, MI 48226 Room rate \$169 To benefit from this rate please use the following <u>Booking Link</u>.

## 3 Arrival and transportation

## 3.1 Arrival

Local airport: Detroit Metropolitan Airport

## 3.2 Transportation to/from the airport

Please see the transport information from the Airport website <u>here</u>.

- Taxi

Metro Cars: (800) 456-1701

Metro Cab: (734) 997-6500

## 4 Visa – Formalities for entering the United States

For United States Visa information, please visit the following website: <u>https://travel.state.gov/content/visas/en.html</u>.

Should you need an invitation letter, please see <u>ANNEX B</u> below.

## 5 Currency exchange

The currency in the United States is the \$ or USD. Businesses accept most major credit cards. Only United States Dollar (USD) is accepted at stores and restaurants.

#### 6 Language

The official working language of the meeting will be English.

### 7 Climate

For more information on the climate, please visit the <u>Weather page</u>.

#### 8 Local time

Standard time zone: EDT.

## 9 Telecommunications

The country code for the United States is +1. The main frequency bands used in the United States of America in communications are GSM850, GSM1900, 3G (850/1900 and 1700/2100) and 4G (Verizon USA 4G, Sprint Clearwire WiMAX and T-Mobile 4G). For you to better understand what frequencies are used by what standard here is some data:

700MHz – this band is used with 3G and 4G technologies and 698-806MHz frequencies. It is planned to be used for GSM frequency in the future as well.

GSM800 – not exactly a GSM but SMR iDEN technology that uses 806-824MHz and 851-869MHz frequencies, though soon it may also be used for CDMA.

GSM850 – main cellular band in USA used with GSM, CDMA and 3G technologies. Uses 824-849MHz and 869-894MHz frequencies.

GSM1900, or PCS – secondary cellular band in USA used with the same GSM, CDMA and 3G technologies but with 1850–1910MHz and 1930–1990MHz frequencies.

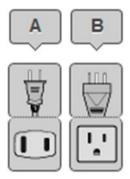
AWS – used for 3G and 4G technologies on 1710–1755MHz and 2110–2155MHz frequencies.

BRS/EBS – used for 4G technology with 2496–2690MHz frequencies.

Although the main frequency band that was used in USA in the first place was 800MHz (AMPS), it is now replaced with GSM850 as the new primary cell phone call band.

# 10 Electricity

Mainly used in the USA, 2 pins, Type A (not grounded) and Type B (grounded) 15 A, almost always 100 – 127 V, and socket compatible with plug type A/B



Please be sure you have the right adapter.

#### 11 Health and emergency

If you have any emergency, please dial 911.

#### **12** Internet connectivity

Free WLAN will be available at the meeting venue (Cobo Center) and if you stay at the preferred meeting hotel, The Crowne Plaza, WiFi is complimentary in your room.

## 13 Contact

For any questions, please contact:

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# Note:

General information about the Detroit area: <u>https://visitdetroit.com/</u>

## **Invitation Letter Request Form**

#### Joint ITU/SAE Workshop on How Communications will Change Vehicles and Transport

#### 8-9 October 2018, Detroit, MI, USA

To enter the United States for the meetings indicated above, you may need a letter of invitation from the host, which you will need to present to the Embassy/Consulate of the United States in your area in order to obtain your visa.

In order to receive an invitation letter, your request should reach the host at the following e-mail: <u>Michael.Ulf@sae.org</u> before 8 August 2018. Please:

- a) Fill out the Form below
- b) Provide an electronic copy of your passport (name, date of birth, nationality, passport number, expiration date of passport, etc. must be clearly visible)
- c) Send the info in a) and b) as e-mail attachments to **Michael Ulf** at <u>Michael.Ulf@sae.org</u>; please indicate in the subject: *"Joint ITU/SAE Workshop, 8-9 October 2018"*.

#### Please do not forget to attach a legible copy of your passport photograph page before sending.

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Address			
Place to visit after entry	In this case, it is Washington, DC by default.		
Date of arrival in the United States		Date of departure from the United States	