ITU-T SG11 and SG13 Regional Groups for Africa meetings and workshops

Practical Information for Participants



Venue



Novotel Cairo Airport

Cairo Airport Road, Heliopolis, 11776 Cairo, Egypt

Tel.: +202 22918520

E-mail: H0502-SL2@accor.com

This upscale modern hotel is near Cairo International Airport.

Visa requirements and entry formalities

A valid passport and a visa are required to enter Egypt. All participants are requested to send a copy of their passport together with the Registration Confirmation message from ITU to the Egyptian Embassy or Consulate in their country of origin or residence in order to obtain a visa.

Participants who are nationals of countries where there is no Egyptian representation should contact Mr. Basel El-Tabei via e-mail: Beltabie@tra.gov.eg or landline: +20235344261 for the special arrangements made by the host country to facilitate the delivery of visas or entry permits, as required.

For more information on visas and entry permits, please visit the website of Egypt's Ministry of Foreign Affairs at: http://www.mfa.gov.eg/English/Embassies/Pages/Listing.aspx

Vaccinations

For information about vaccination requirements and health information for travelers please consult the World Health Organization's (WHO) website at http://www.who.int/countries/egy/en/

Transportation

Transport from the venue to the hotel and vice versa will be provided by NTRA to all participants.

It is crucial that participants send their exact hotel information to Mrs. Maha Badr via e-mail: mahab@tra.gov.eg or landline: +20235344108.

A pick-up from and to the airport is not provided by the host. Reasonably priced local transportation is available at the airport.

Accommodation

Special rates have been negotiated with Novotel Cairo Airport Hotel (Venue) for the meeting participants.

Participants should book their own accommodation directly with the contact person mentioned below and must copy the National Telecommunication Regulatory Authority (NTRA) Mrs. Noha Nashaat via e-mail: nohan@tra.gov.eg when making their booking.

Hotels list

The negotiated rates below are for bed and breakfast (taxes and service charges are included):

#	Name of hotel	Star rating	Single (USD)	Double (USD)	Contact person	
1	Novotel Cairo Airport (Venue)	4	Standard Room \$70	Standard Room \$80	Mr. Hisham Ramadan Sales Manager NOVOTEL CAIRO AIRPORT Mobile: +2 (010) 66624054 Reservation Direct: +2 (02)22 69 67 14 Bus: +2 (011) 47404400 h0502-sl2@accor.com novotel.com accorhotels.com	
			Superior Room \$85	Superior Room \$95		
2	Le Passage Hotel & Casino	5	47	60	Through <u>www.booking.com</u>	
3	Le Méridien Cairo Airport	5	\$145	\$195	Through <u>www.booking.com</u>	

General Information

About Cairo

Cairo is the capital of Egypt which is located near the Nile River. Among the famous attractions of Cairo are Tahrir Square and the Egyptian Museum, which store a number of antiquities including the royal mummies and gilded King Tutankhamun artifacts. Nearby, Giza is a site of the iconic pyramids and the Great Sphinx, dating to the 26th century B.C.E. In Gezira Island's leafy Zamalek district, 187m Cairo Tower affords panoramic city views.

Weather

In April, average temperatures in Cairo range between 13°C and 29°C. There are 10 hours of sunshine a day.

The expected temperatures during ITU-T SG11 and SG13 Regional Groups for Africa meetings are:

2 April 2017	3 April 2017	4 April 2017	5 April 2017	6 April 2017
Average	Average	Average	Average	Average
High:29°C	High:25°C	High:25°C	High:24°C	High:28°C
Low:11°C	Low:12°C	Low:10°C	Low:13°C	Low:13°C

Time zone

The Arab Republic of Egypt is on Eastern Europe Time – Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) +2 hours.

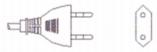
Currency and banking

The official currency of Egypt is the Egyptian Pound (EGP). Visa, American Express, Access/MasterCard can be used. Banks are open from Sunday to Thursday, from 8.30 a.m. to 2 p.m. The exchange rates in Egypt can be found here:

http://www.cbe.org.eg/en/EconomicResearch/Statistics/Pages/ExchangeRatesListing.aspx

Electricity

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



Important telephone numbers

General emergency Dial 112 Fire Department **Dial** 180 Ambulance **Dial 123** Police Dial 122

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