

### **GFMD 2017-2018 Thematic Workshop**

on

"Migration for development: a roadmap to achieving the SDGs"

18-19 April 2018
Skhirat, Morocco

### **LOGISTICS NOTE FOR PARTICIPANTS**

WORKSHOP DETAILS	
Date and Schedule	Day 1: Wednesday, 18 April 2018, 9h30-17h30 Day 2: Thursday, 19 April 2018, 9h30-16h00 Please see detailed agenda for more information.
Venue	Mohammed VI International Conference Center  Address: Skhirat Plage, Skhirat-Rabat, Morocco Tel: +212 (0) 537 621 000 Website: http://www.lamphitrite-palace.com/fr/palais-de-congres.html#content The conference center is about 45 minutes by car from Rabat-Salé International Airport and 1 hour from Casablanca Airport - Mohammed V.
Registration	For logistical considerations, all delegations are encouraged to RSVP via email to <a href="mailto:registration@gfmd.org">registration@gfmd.org</a> no later than Monday, <a href="mailto:16 April 2018">16 April 2018</a> .
Languages	Simultaneous interpretation services will be made available in English, French, Spanish and Arabic. To avail of interpretation headphones, delegates may be asked to present an official photo ID or passport.  Conference documents are available in English only.
Meals	Lunch and coffee breaks will be served.
ACCOMMODATION and TRANSPORTATION	
Sponsored delegates	Hotel accommodation for sponsored delegates will be arranged and communicated separately by the GFMD Support Unit.

## Non-sponsored delegates

Non-sponsored delegates are responsible for booking and paying for their own accommodation and all related costs during their stay. A single occupancy room has been provisionally reserved by the host government in the hotels below.

1. Hotel L'Amphitrite

Address: 12050, Skhirat Plage, Skhirat, Morocco

Tel: +212 (0) 537 621 000

Pricing: MAD 1,350 per night, inclusive of VAT (roughly USD 147/night)

The hotel is 3-minutes **walking distance** from the conference center.

2. Hotel Farah

Address: Place 16 Novembre, Hassan, Rabat 10000

Tel: +212 (0) 694 610 488

Pricing: MAD 1,250 per night, inclusive of VAT (roughly USD 136/night)

The hotel is about 40 minutes <u>ride</u> by car from the Conference Center. Delegates staying in Hotel Farah will be **provided with transportation to and from the conference center** on April 18 and 19.

# Contact for Hotel Reservation

For non-sponsored delegates only:

To avail of preferential rates negotiated by the GFMD, please contact <u>directly</u>:

#### M. Mohammed Ghallab

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#### **AIRPORT ASSISTANCE**

# Shuttle service from airport to GFMD hotels

Arrangements will be made for the transportation of international delegates from the airport to the hotel and back, subject to timely submission of flight itinerary.

Please send your travel itinerary to the GFMD Support Unit via <a href="mailto:registration@gfmd.org">registration@gfmd.org</a> no later than Monday, **16 April 2018**. Please also email any change(s) in your travel plan to ensure transportation assistance.

### **ENTRY TO MOROCCO AND VISA**

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In order to find out if a visa is required for Morocco, please visit the following website:

https://www.diplomatie.ma/en/Conseilsauxvoyageurs/tabid/3175/language/en-US/Default.aspx.

Visa will be issued upon arrival for international delegates requiring a visa to enter Morocco. Please send your name, date of birth, nationality, and passport number to <a href="mailto:registration@gfmd.org">registration@gfmd.org</a> by Monday, 16 April.

An invitation letter will be issued by the Moroccan authorities and send to you prior to your departure to Morocco.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### Morocco

The Kingdom of Morocco, with a population of over 33.8 million, is a unitary sovereign state located in the Maghreb region of North Africa. Geographically, Morocco is characterised by a rugged mountainous interior, large tracts of desert and a lengthy coastline along the Atlantic Ocean and Mediterranean Sea.

	Morocco is a member of the Arab League, the Union for the Mediterranean, and the African Union. It has the fifth largest economy of Africa.
Religion and language	Morocco's predominant religion is Islam, and the official languages are Modern Standard Arabic and Amazigh (Berber). The Moroccan Arabic dialect, referred to as <i>Darija</i> , and French are also widely spoken.
Main sites (in Rabat city)	<ul> <li>Mausoleum of Mohammed V</li> <li>Hassan Tower</li> <li>Chellah Necropolis</li> <li>Kasbah of the Udayas</li> <li>Rabat Archaeological Museum</li> <li>Mohammed VI Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art</li> </ul>
Weather	Average temperatures in Rabat in the month of April range from a low of 11 C° to a high of 21°C.
Money	The local currency is the Moroccan Dirham (MAD). Indicative exchange rates as of 3  April, based on <a href="http://www.xe.com/fr/currency/mad-moroccan-dirham">http://www.xe.com/fr/currency/mad-moroccan-dirham</a> . <a href="https://www.xe.com/fr/currency/mad-moroccan-dirham">EUR</a> <a href="https://www.xe.com/fr/currency/mad-moroccan-dirham">USD</a> 1 MAD  0,08828  0,10853  0,10386  Inverted:  11,3296  9,21414  9,62709  Currency exchange services are available at the airport, hotel reception (for smaller amounts in USD and EU only) and outside the hotel.
Electricity	Type <u>C and E</u> (220-240 V) are the electrical sockets used. It is recommended to bring adapters/converters.
Dial code	The international dial code for Morocco is +212. To make a local call, you must first dial 0.
Important numbers in Rabat	Police: 190 Ambulance: 150 SOS Médecins Maroc (SOS Doctors): (0) 5 22 98 98 98 Train (ONCF): (0) 890 20 30 40 Airports: (0) 5 22 53 90 40 / (0) 5 22 53 91 40 / (0) 5 22 43 58 58 Information call: 160
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