

# LOGISTICS NOTE FOR PARTICIPANTS

# **GFMD 2017-2018 Thematic Workshop**

"Climate change and human mobility: towards dignified, coordinated and sustainable solutions"

24 May 2017 Rabat/Skhirate

# **Background**

The German-Moroccan co-chairmanship organises, in the framework of the GFMD, a thematic workshop on "Climate change and human mobility: towards dignified, coordinated and sustainable solutions" in Rabat on 24 May 2017. The objective is to feed GFMD's contribution to the Global compact, to provide tools to States in order to respond to challenges created by all kinds of human mobility associated to climate change and to address the protection needs of people displaced in the context of climate change.

#### **Date**

24 May 2017

### Venue



The thematic workshop will be held at Mohammed VI International Conference Center in Skhirat.

Address: Skhirat Plage - Skhirat, Morocco

Tel: +212 (0) 537 62 10 00

Website: http://www.lamphitrite-palace.com/meetings-en.html

This is about 45 minutes ride from Rabat International airport, and 1 hour from Casablanca airport. No public transportation is available between the airport and the Conference Center, unless arranged beforehand. The cost is about USD 30 from Rabat International Airport and USD 80 from Casablanca airport.

The Conference center offers Free WiFi - internet connectivity.

#### Meals

Lunch and coffee break will be made available in keeping with the <u>schedule of the workshop</u> meeting.

### Language and Interpretation services

Simultaneous interpretation services will be made available in English, French, Spanish and Arabic. To avail of interpretation headphones, delegates will be asked to present an official ID with photo or passport.

Conference documents are available in English, French and Arabic.

### **Transport: Venue – Hotel transfer**

Necessary transportation services have been arranged for delegates' transfer or transportation to the venue and hotels during the meeting.

#### Registration

For logistical considerations, all delegations are encouraged to fill in the <u>registration form</u> and send it to <u>registration@gfmd.org</u>

Registration should be received no later than **10 May 2017**.

#### Accommodation

*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 following hotel:

### Hotel Farah Rabat \*\*\*\*\*

### Address:

Place 16 Novembre - Hassan

Rabat 10000

Phone: +212 694-610488

In order to book the room and to avail of preferential rates, delegates are requested to contact the travel agency Julia Travel, which is facilitating the GFMD booking for the hotel mentioned above.

#### Julia Travel

Email: julia.travelma@gmail.com

Tél: +212.537.290.900 Fax: +212.537.290.901

All hotel booking requests must be received by the hotel no later than 10 May 2017.

Hotel accommodation for *sponsored delegates* will be arranged directly by the GFMD Support Unit (support.unit@gfmd.org) in coordination with the hotel.

Delegates are advised to inform the GFMD Desk at Hotel Farah Rabat to avail of the shuttle services. Reporting time for shuttle services is tentatively set at 08:00 AM.

### **Entry to Morocco and Visa**

In order to find out if a visa is required for Morocco, please check: <a href="https://www.diplomatie.ma/en/Conseilsauxvoyageurs/tabid/3175/language/en-US/Default.aspx">https://www.diplomatie.ma/en/Conseilsauxvoyageurs/tabid/3175/language/en-US/Default.aspx</a>

## The City of Rabat



#### The coat of arms of Rabat

Rabat is the capital of Morocco and its seventh largest city centre with an urban population of approximately 580,000 (2014) and a metropolitan population of over 1.2 million. The city is located on the Atlantic Ocean at the mouth of the river Bou Regreg. Rabat is accessible by train through the ONCF system and by plane through the nearby Rabat–Salé Airport.

It is one of four Imperial cities of Morocco, and the medina of Rabat is listed as a World Heritage Site.

## **Climate:**

Rabat features a Mediterranean climate with warm dry summers and mild damp winters. Located along the Atlantic Ocean, Rabat has a mild, temperate climate, shifting from cool in winter to warm days in the summer months. The nights are always cool (or cold in winter, it can reach Sub 0 °C (32 °F) sometimes), with daytime temperatures generally rising about +7/8 °C (+15/18 °F). The winter highs typically reach only 17.2 °C (63.0 °F) in December–February. Summer daytime highs usually hover around 25 °C (77.0 °F), but may occasionally exceed 30 °C (86.0 °F), especially during heat waves. Summer nights are usually pleasant and cool, ranging between 11 °C (51.8 °F) and 19 °C (66.2 °F) and rarely exceeding 20 °C (68.0 °F). Rabat belongs to the sub-humid bioclimatic zone with an average annual precipitation of 560 mm.

## Main sights

- Mausoleum of Mohammed V
- Hassan Tower
- <u>Chellah Necropolis</u>
- Kasbah of the Udayas
- Rabat Archaeological Museum
- Mohamed VI Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art



# Currency

The dirham (MAD) is the currency of Morocco

	<u>EUR</u>	<u>USD</u>	<u>CHF</u>	
1 MAD	0,09313	0,09970	0,09948	
Opposite:	10,7374	<u>10,0306</u>	10,0527	

Currency exchange services are available at the airport, hotel reception (for smaller amounts in USD and EU only) and outside the hotel.

# Power plugs and sockets

In Morocco the power sockets used are of type <u>C and E</u>. Your need for a power plug adapter depends on the power plugs used in your own country.

## **Dial code**

International dial code: +212

**Police : 190** 

Ambulance: 150

SOS Médecins Maroc (SOS Doctors): 05 22 98 98 98

Train (ONCF): 0890 20 30 40

 $\textbf{Airports}: 05\ 22\ 53\ 90\ 40\ /\ 05\ 22\ 53\ 91\ 40\ /\ 05\ 22\ 43\ 58\ 58$ 

 $\textbf{Information call:}\ 160$