CONFERENCE VENUE AND HOTEL

The conference is being held at the Sheraton Tunis Hotel and Towers and conference participants will be given a preferential rate of 142 DT (79 €) including breakfast (Please let the hotel know you are with the African Development Bank-OECD conference and would like the AfDB’s rate). Participants are asked to book rooms themselves as soon as possible to ensure availability.

Sheraton Tunis Hotel and Towers
Avenue de la Ligue Arabe
Tunis, Tunisie
216 71 782 100
Fax 216 71 782 208
Sheraton.tunis@starwoodhotels.com
www.sheraton.com/tunis

The African Development Bank also recommends the following hotels, which are a 15-minute taxi ride from the Sheraton (taxis are inexpensive in Tunis)

Hotel Africa
www.hotel-rates.com/tunisia/tunis/hotel-africa.html (DT 150 or approx. €83.00)

Laico Tunis
http://laico-tunis.com/english/index.cfm.htm (DT 155 or approx. €85.00)

PASSPORT & VISA INFORMATION

All foreign visitors to Tunisia require a passport valid for at least 3 months after the period of their intended stay as well as evidence of a return ticket. EU nationals do not require a visa for a tourist visit of up to 3 months and US nationals do not require a visa for tourist visits of up to 4 months. Should you require a visa, the African Development Bank will issue you a “boarding letter” which will enable you to obtain your visa upon arrival. Please send your passport details (passport number, date and place of issue and expiry dates) to: phyllis.flick@oecd.org; f.bensalah@afdb.org; h.guede@afdb.org

To find out if you need a visa for Tunisia, click HERE for a list of which countries require visas.

- Nationals of the following countries are exempted from visa formalities. These include: Algeria, Austria, Arab Emirates, Bahrain, Belgium, Brunei Darussalam, Canada, Chile, Côte d’Ivoire, Denmark, Dominic Rep., Finland, France, Gambia, Germany Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guinea, Holland, Ireland, Island, Italy, Japan, Kuwait, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Mali, Malta, Morocco, Mauritius, Mauritania, Monaco, Niger, Norway, Oman, Portugal, Qatar, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Seychelles, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, United Kingdom, United States.

Nationals of Australia & South Africa can obtain a visa on arrival

Please note that visa requirements can change, so please check with the Tunisian Embassy or Consulate in your home country.

OTHER PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Tunis-Carthage Airport (TUN)

Location: The airport is situated 7 km from Tunis. Taxis to the city centre will cost approximately 10 dinars.

Time: GMT +1

Money

The unit of currency is the Tunisian dinar (TD)

Electrical current: is 230 volts, 50Hz. Round European-style, two-pin plugs.

Language:

The overwhelming majority of Tunisians speak Arabic and French, but English is taught in schools and is common in hotels and other tourist areas.

Tipping:

Tipping is not mandatory but is appreciated for good service. Most hospitality workers performing a useful service will wait to be tipped. Waiters in hotel restaurants expect a tip of around 10% and this is often their only form of compensation.

Dress code:

Tunisia is a Muslim country and visitors should respect the local sensibilities. Visitors, and women in particular, should dress modestly.