



# UNWTO Commission for the Middle East Forty-Fourth meeting Sharm el Sheikh, Egypt, 8-9 May 2018

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# 44th Meeting of the UNWTO Commission for the Middle East

and

# UNWTO Regional Conference on Human Capital Development in Tourism: New Perspectives

Sharm el Sheikh, Arab Republic of Egypt, 8-9 May 2018

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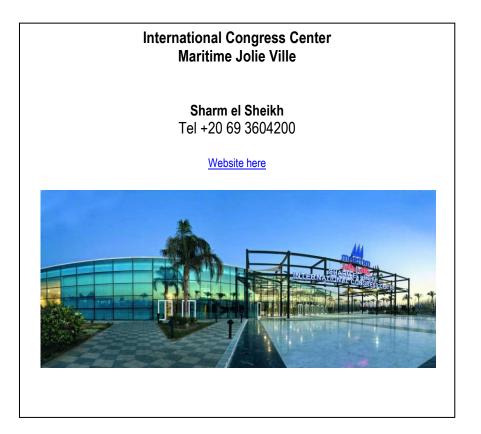
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## I. Venue and Date

- 1. At the invitation of the Ministry of Tourism of Egypt, the Forty-Fourth meeting of the Commission for the Middle East will be held in Sharm El SHeikh, Arab Republic of Egypt, on 8 May 2018, in conjunction with the UNWTO Regional on Human Capital Development in Tourism: New Perspectives, on 8 and 9 May 2018.
- 2. The meetings will be held at:



### II. Online Registration

3. Participants at the 44th UNWTO Commission for the Middle East Meeting and the Regional Conference are kindly requested to complete the online registration, by 26 April 2018 at the latest, at the following link: <u>http://middle-east.unwto.org/webform/participation-form-3</u>





## III. Status of Participation and Reception

- 4. The Egyptian Government will take the necessary measures to facilitate the arrival, stay and departure of the participants invited by the Organization. Throughout their stay, participants invited by the Organization will benefit from the privileges and immunities provided for in the Agreement concluded between the Organization and the Ministry of Tourism of the Arab Republic of Egypt.
- 5. The Egyptian Authorities will organize the reception of participants at **Sharm el Sheikh International Airport** and will facilitate the free transfer of delegates on arrival and on departure between the airport, the selected hotels and the venue of the meetings.

## IV. Accommodation and Transportation

- 6. Participants will arrange and cover the cost of their own transportation and accommodation.
- 7. A list of hotels with special rates for participants at these meetings is attached as Annex I. Delegates are invited to contact directly the hotels for reservations, indicating that they will participate in the 44<sup>th</sup> meeting of UNWTO Commission for the Middle East and/or in the UNWTO Regional Conference for the Middle East on *Human Capital Development in Tourism: New Perspectives*

## V. <u>Entry Formalities</u>

- 8. All nationalities would require an entry visa to the Arab Republic of Egypt, except nationals from the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC), Yemen and Jordan. Delegates are requested to contact diplomatic or consular missions of Egypt in their countries in order to obtain a visa.
- 9. For more information regarding entry visa, please visit the following link: <u>http://moiegypt.gov.eg/arabic/departments%20sites/immegration/certificates</u>
- 10. Delegates in whose countries Egypt has no diplomatic mission are requested to contact the Ministry of Tourism of Egypt (<u>inter\_rels@tourism.gov.eg</u>) and the UNWTO Regional Programme for the Middle East (<u>rpme@unwto.org</u>) sufficiently in advance, by 15 April 2018 at the latest, indicating all the necessary information below, in order to enable the authorities of Egypt to take the necessary measures in this respect:
  - Name and surname
- Place and date of birth
- NationalityNumber and type of passport
- Validity of passport (no less than 6 months)
- Travel information (date, time and flight number)





### VI. <u>Registration and Badges</u>

11. A registration desk will be open at the International *Congress Center - Maritim Jolie Ville* on Monday 7, Tuesday 8 and on Wednesday, 9 May 2018, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5 p.m. Badges will be issued at the time of registration. Participants are requested to wear their identification badges in the area reserved for the meetings, as well as at all social events.

#### VII. <u>Working Languages</u>

12. The working languages of the meetings are Arabic and English. A simultaneous interpretation service will be provided.

#### VIII. Social Programme

13. The tentative Social Programme is attached as Annex II

### IX. Practical Information

- 14. Local Currency and exchange rates The local currency is the Egyptian Pound. The applicable exchange rate in March 2018 is approximately 21.74 Egyptian Pound for 1 Euro and 17.61 USD.
- 15. Weather Cairo enjoys sunny days in May. The average maximum temperature is 35 °C and the average low is 31°C
- 16. Official language The official language of the Arab Republic of Egypt is Arabic. English is also widely spoken especially in hotels and banks
- 17. Cairo Time Zone The official time in the Egypt is GMT + 2 hours
- 18. Electricity The electrical sockets (outlets) in Egypt usually supply electricity at 220 volts AC.

**Important note:** In compliance with the United Nations system's environmental protection policy, the working documents will not be distributed on paper at the venue of the event. Therefore, delegates are requested to bring with them copies of the documents sent to them by email before the meetings.





#### Annex I

### LIST OF HOTELS

	HOTEL	Location & Contact	Room Type & Rate	
1	Maritim Jolie ville Royal Peninsula Hotel & Resort Jolie ville international Congress Center (5min . walk to the venue) – Classification (*****)	Peace Road at um Marikha Bay Sharm el sheikh	Single Room - 55 \$	
		Tel.: (+2)0693604800 Fax:(+2)0693604199	Double Room - 65 \$	
		www.maritim.com	Triple Room - 85 \$	
		<b>Contact Person:</b> Ms. Hala Hassan		
		Director of sales Mob:+201222244372	Senior Suite - 150 \$ Executive Suite - 120 \$	
		<u>Hhassan@srp-martim-jolieville.com</u>		
			Accommodation B.B, including service & taxes	
2	Maritim Jolie ville Golf & Resort, sharm el sheikh (7min . walk to the venue) – Classification (*****)	Maritim Jolie ville, Golf & Resort Sharm el Sheikh Tel.: (+2)0693603200 Fax:(+2)0693603225 www.jolievillesharmresorts.com Contact Person: Mr. Tarek Nabih Senior sales manager	Single Room - 73 \$ Double Room - 86 \$	
			Triple Room - 120 \$	
			Accommodation B.B, including service & taxes	
	Baron Palms (10 min. by car to the venue) – Classification (*****)	<b>Ras Nasrani bay</b> Sharm el Sheikh	Single Room - 70 \$	
		Tel.: (+2)0693670170 Fax:(+2)06933670180	Double Room - 80 \$	
3		www.baronhotels.com	Pool single Room - 85 \$	
		Contact Person: Mohamed Safei Mob:+201227881144 mohamed_safei@baronhotels.com	Pool Double Room - 95 \$	
	<b>Savoy Royal</b> (20 min. by car to the venue) – Classification (*****)	<b>Savoy Royal Resort</b> Soho square, Sharm el Sheikh	Single Room - 240 \$ per person /room	
		Tel.: (+2)0693628702:Tel Fax:(+2)0693360240	Double Room - 175 \$ per person /room	
4		www.savoy-sharm.com	Triple Room - 245 \$ per person /room	

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5	Savoy (20 min. by car to the venue) – Classification (*****)	Contact Person: Ms. Rasha Allam Assistant director of Corporate Sales Mobile:+2 01113900522 mail@savoy-sharm.com Savoy Resort Soho square Sharm el Sheikh Tel.: (+2)0693628702 Fax:(+2)0693360240 www.savoy-sharm.com Contact Person: Ms. Rasha Allam Assistant director of Corporate Sales Mobile:+2 01113900522 mail@savoy-sharm.com	Single Room - 120 \$ per person /room Double Room - 85 \$ per person /room Triple Room - 82 \$ per person /room			
6	Sierra Sharm (20 min. by car to the venue) – Classification (*****)	Sierra Sharm Soho square, Sharm el Sheikh Tel.: (+2) 0693628702 Fax:(+2) 0693360240 www.savoy-sharm.com Contact Person: Ms. Rasha Allam Assistant director of Corporate Sales Mobile:+2 01113900522 mail@savoy-sharm.com	Double R	oom - 75 \$ p om - 82 \$pe nodation B.f	per person /ro per person /ro r person /roor B, including se xes	om n
7	Sunrise Arabian Beach Resort (20 min. by car to the venue) – Classification (*****)	29, El Falah st, Lebanon Square. Mohandessin- Egypt Tel.: (+2 0) 2 33032435 Fax: (+2 0) 2 33032473 www.sunrise-resorts.com Contact Person: Mr. Kirolos Ibrahim Assistance Sales Manager	Single Room Double Room Triple Room Accommo taxes.	88 \$ BB 110 \$ BB 156 \$ BB odation B.B,	104 \$ HB 130 \$ HB 186 \$ HB including serv	128 \$ all inclusi ve 160 \$ all inclusi ve 231 \$ all inclusi ve vice &
	Rixos (30 min. by car to the venue) – Classification (*****)	Nabq Bay Sharm el Sheikh www.seagatesharm.rixos.com	Single Room - 85 \$ Double Room - 112 \$			





8		Tel.: (+2) 0693710210 Fax: (+2) 069 3710209 <u>Sharmelsheikh@rixos.com</u>	Accommodation B.B, including service & taxes.
9	Grand Rotana Resort and Spa 2 min walking to the venue	Shark Bay 296 Contact Person: Mr. Khaled Said Director of Sales Khaled.said@rotana.com +201005110258	Single room - 85\$ Double room - 110\$ Accommodation B.B, including service & taxes.





#### Annex II

### Social programme\*

#### Tuesday, 8th of May 2018

- Lunch hosted by the Ministry of Tourism for delegates of the 44<sup>th</sup> meeting of the UNWTO Commission for the Middle East (place TBC)
- Gala Dinner (place TBC)

#### Wednesday, 9th of May 2018

- Lunch hosted by the Ministry of Tourism for participants at the Regional Conference on Tourism (place TBC)
- Dinner hosted by the Ministry of Tourism (place TBC)

Optional excursions will be provided on the spot. Kindly contact the registration desk for more information.

\*Social Programme to be confirmed