## Joint meeting of MedCOF-5, SEECOF-14 and PRESANORD-9

## 23 to 26 November 2015

## Marrakech, Morocco

Information for Participants

1. **Venue and Dates**

The three events will be held in Marrakech, Morocco, at the below given address of the **“Kenzi Farah Hotel”** from 23 to 26 November 2015:

 *Address : Avenue du Président Kennedy, quartier de l’Hivernage, Marrakech*

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1. **Accommodation & Logistics**

Participants are encouraged to stay at the “Kenzi Farah Hotel” where the Forum will be held. A block reservation has been made at special rates 680MAD for a single room per night with breakfast. In order to confirm their booking, participants should provide information about their arrival and departure date to the local coordinator: m.d.elhachimi @gmail.com, as early as possible but preferably before 17 November 2015.

1. **Transportation Between Airport and the Hotel**

The participants will be responsible of their local transportation & expenses between airport and the hotel. All international participants are expected to arrive at **Marrakech Menara Airport**. To get from the **Marrakech Menara Airport** to the hotel, take a taxi. The taxi ride will cost about 20 €. Please agree on the fare with your driver before you begin the journey.

Participants who need assistant should **provide their itinerary status to Mr Elhachimi, before 17 November 2015**, in order to arrange their transport from Airport to the hotel through an agency. The price is about 10Eur/p.



1. **Entry Visa for Morocco**

It is recommended that international participants start the process for getting an entry visa for Morocco, if it is required. The contact details for all participants will be forwarded to Mr. **Moulay Driss Elhachimi**, the local organizer, who can be contacted at m.d.elhachimi @gmail.com in case of any questions regarding visas. For more information please visit: <http://www.consulat.ma/an/prestation.cfm?gr_id=72>

Below table shows the countries whose nationals are exempted from visa:



1. **Currency Exchange**

The official currency of Morocco is the Moroccan Dirham, denoted as MAD or Dhs. The Moroccan Dirham is composed of 100 centimes; notes are available in denominations of (Dhs) 200, 100, 50, 25, and 20, all in new and old varieties and coins are available in denominations of (Dhs) 10, 5, 2 and 1, or 50, 20, 10 and 5 centimes. There are several types of 10 and 5 Dirham coins in circulation. Below are the approximate exchange rates for Euro and US Dollars.

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| 1 USD = 9.80 Dhs |
| 1 EUR = 10.80 Dhs |

1. **Climate**

The mean conditions in Marrakech in November are as follows:

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| Max Daytime Temperature °C | : 22°C  |
| Min Night-time Temperature °C | : 10°C  |
| [Hours of Sunshine (Daily)](http://www.weather2travel.com/holidayweather/sunshinehours.php%22%20%5Co%20%22What%20is%20Hours%20of%20Sunshine%20%28Daily%29) | : 7.3 Hours per day  |
| [Days with some Rainfall](http://www.weather2travel.com/holidayweather/dayswithrain.php) | : 6 Days  |
| [Monthly Rainfall (mm)](http://www.weather2travel.com/holidayweather/rainfall.php) | : 41 mm  |

1. **Time Zone**

In November, there is no time difference between local time in Casablanca and the Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).

1. **Voltage**

The voltage in morocco is 220-240V and the plug shape is French type, illustrated below. If your appliances plug has a different shape, you may need a plug adapter.

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| E_3d_plug_m | E_3d_sock_s | E_dia_sock_s |
| E_dia_plug_s |

1. **Coordination**

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