

# THE SAHARA AND SAHEL OBSERVATORY 30 YEARS SERVING ECOSYSTEMS IN AFRICA

# Ecosystems, key tool for the development of the African continent

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE JUNE 8 - 9, 2022 – RAMADA PLAZA HOTEL – TUNIS

LOGISTICAL NOTE

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#### Dear guests,

We are happy to welcome you very soon to Tunis, for the "Ecosystems, key tool for the development of the African continent" conference.

We gladly provide you with some useful information, to make sure your stay runs smoothly.

#### Program

The provisional conference agenda can be found in the link below : (Add the link)

#### **Cocktail buffet for the guests**

A cocktail buffet will be held by the OSS on June 7 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Ramada Plaza hotel.

#### Working languages

The conference will be bilingual (French and English) A live translation service will be available throughout the conference.

#### Venue

The conference will be held at the Ramada Plaza Hotel. <u>https://www.ramadaplaza-tunis.com/</u>

# **Address**

Les Côtes de Carthage – Gammarth La Marsa – Tunisia Tel : +216 71 911 100

The hotel is located in close proximity to Tunis-Carthage International Airport (10 km), (18 km) from the Medina of Tunis, (9 km) from Sidi Bou Said and Carthage and (3 km) from la Marsa and minutes from downtown Tunis.

#### Internet

Internet will be free of charge in the bedrooms and conference rooms.

#### Airport – Hotel – Airport Transfer

A shuttle bus will take you to the hotel on your arrival and drop you off at the airport the day of your departure.

You must be at the airport, 3 hours before your flight time. Please make sure that you complete your check out paperwork at least 3h30 before the flight and meet at the hotel reception. The shuttle transfer will be arranged.

#### **COVID test before departure**

Guests can sit for a COVID test at the conference venue before their departure, if need be. The OSS will have a laboratory established on site and will bear all related costs.



# Accommodation

The participants will stay in full board rooms at the Ramada Plaza hotel. The OSS will not bear extra expenses of its guests.

P.N : The OSS has made a reservation for guests who have asked to stay at the Ramada Plaza hotel and has negotiated prices for accomodation&breakfast (€60) and full board (€95). These reservations will not be covered by the OSS.

# Visa and other additional expenses

The organizers will reimburse all visa fees to the participants. Please present or send an email of the supporting documents necessary for any reimbursement. The original invoice must be given to the logistics manager Mrs. Sonia NJAH (OSS), on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the event.

In order to make things easier for the organizers, you are kindly requested to present the boarding pass (plane ticket stub) and all other supporting documents (receipt, invoice, etc.) related to travel expenses (visa fees, PCR test fee), on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the event for reimbursement by the logistics manager.

### Weather

The Tunisian Mediterranean climate is characterized by a dry and hot summer. In June, temperatures rise, however, the conference is taking place in a coastal area and cool weather conditions.

The weather forecast for the week of the conference :



The website of the Tunisian National Institute of Meteorology : <u>https://www.meteo.tn/fr/institut-national-de-la-meteorologie</u>

# Contacts

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# **Useful information**

Telephone code : The telephone code for Tunisia is (+216)

Power sockets : The power sockets used are Type C and E. The standard voltage is 230V

Exchange rate for the TND : 1 Dinar (TND) is approximately equivalent to 0.31 € and 0.33 USD.



**COVID measures :** The PCR test is no longer mandatory for entry to Tunisia for people presenting a complete vaccination schedule. Non-vaccinated persons must have a negative PCR (less than 48 hours) or antigen (less than 24 hours) test on boarding. As these conditions are subject to change, it is best to inquire before leaving.

Emergency numbers : Emergency police: 197 (single number) Tunis Civil Protection: 198 (single number) SAMU: 190

Waiting to welcome you to Tunis, we make ourselves available for any arrangement to make your trip more enjoyable and your stay as pleasant as possible.