

Meeting of ITU-T Study Group 17 Regional Groups for Africa and the Arab Region

Marrakech, Morocco, 27-29 May 2024

Practical guidance for attendees

ITU-T Study Group 17 Regional Groups for Africa (SG17RG-AFR) and the Arab Region (SG17RG-ARB) will be held in Marrakech, Morocco from 27 to 29 May 2024.

This session is in collaboration with the Moroccan cybersecurity authority, the Direction Générale de la Sécurité des Systèmes d'Information (DGSSI), taking place from May 27th to May 31st, 2024, and will be organized alongside the Gitex Africa event. For more information, please visit <https://visit.gitexafrica.com>.

REGISTRATION:

Registration is mandatory for both on-site and remote attendance for both meetings:

- Registration for SG17RG-ARB: <https://www.itu.int/net4/CRM/xreg/web/registration.aspx?Event=C-00013961> .
- Registration for SG17RG-AFR: <https://www.itu.int/net4/CRM/xreg/web/registration.aspx?Event=C-00013959>.
- Registration for Gitex Africa: <https://visit.gitexafrica.com>

HOST COUNTRY COORDINATOR:

- Jaouad Tahiri
- E-mail: j.tahiri@dggsi.gov.ma

MEETING VENUE:

Four Seasons Resort Marrakech, 1 Boulevard de la Menara, Hivernage, 40000 Marrakech, Morocco

Map to the meeting venue: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/wnd6CutBKCzjwV8c7>

GETTING TO THE MEETING VENUE:

Taxi Stands:

At the airport, you can find designated taxi stands where taxis are typically queued up, awaiting passengers.

Street Hailing:

Taxis in Morocco are abundant. You can simply stand on the side of the road and hail a passing taxi.

Parking:

Parking is available for visitors at a charge.

BEFORE YOU ARRIVE IN Morocco:

Passport and VISA:

All foreign visitors entering Morocco must possess a valid passport. Citizens from countries requiring a visa should apply for one at the Moroccan Embassy or consulate well in advance of travel. Visas can be obtained from the nearest Moroccan consulate before traveling. Delegates needing an introduction letter for their visa application are asked to complete the form provided in the Annex and submit it to the host country coordinators via email.

Accommodation:

Delegates are advised to use popular online booking platforms such as Booking.com, Expedia, or Airbnb to explore various accommodation options, including hotels, resorts, and guesthouses. Once your reservation

is confirmed, you can expect to receive a confirmation email containing all relevant details for your stay. Be sure to keep this email for a seamless check-in process upon arrival.

Time zone:

Morocco observes Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) during the holy month of Ramadan and switches to (GMT+1) during daylight saving time for the rest of the year.

Weather:

In May, Marrakech usually enjoys warm and sunny weather, with daytime temperatures averaging between 20°C to 30°C (68°F to 86°F). Evenings may cool down to approximately 15°C to 20°C (59°F to 68°F).

Currency:

The Moroccan Dirham is available in denominations of 0.5, 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, and 200 Dirham. As of the current exchange rate, 10 dirhams is approximately equivalent to 1 US dollar.

Power plugs:

The standard electrical current used in Morocco is 220 volts AC with Plug Type C, operating at a frequency of 50 Hz. If your electrical devices require a different plug type, it's advisable to bring a suitable adapter.

ANNEX A

Request for Letter of Introduction for VISA issue to participate in the ITU-T Study Group 17 Regional Groups for Africa (SG17RG-AFR) and the Arab Region (SG17RG-ARB)

If needed, please return this form to j.tahiri@dqgsi.gov.ma, as soon as possible, but no later than 20 April 2024 for the processing of the formal introduction letter.

Family Name	
Given Name	
Gender	
Company (Individual Member)	
Nationality	
Passport Number	
Country/Place of Embarkation	
Expected entry date	
Expected departure date	
Mailing Address (With postal code)	
Contact Number	
E-mail	