

ITU-D Regional Development Forums 2010 for the Africa region on

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"Modern spectrum Management and Transition from Analogue to Digital Broadcasting – Trends and Technologies" Banjul (Gambia), 14-16 July 2010

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

1. Venue

The ITU-D Regional Development Forum for the Africa Region: "Modern spectrum Management and Transition from Analogue to Digital Broadcasting – Trends and Technologies", will be held from 14-16 July 2010 in:

Kairaba Beach Hotel

Serre Kunda Kololi, PMB 390 Tel: +220 462 940/1 Fax: +220 462 947

http://www.kairabahotel.com/

2. Transportation

Participants of the Forum may arrive in Banjul by plane. Forum organizers provide transportation of the participants from the airport to the respective hotel upon the arrival and back to the airport during the departure, and from hotels to the Forum. In this connection participants are kindly requested to complete Annex 3 and send it to the individuals and by deadline specified on this Form.

3. Registration

The Registration Desk for the Forum will start at 08:00hrs, on 14 July 2010.

4. Working language

The working language of the Forum will be English and French.

5. Climate

The Gambia is generally recognized as having perhaps the most agreeable climate in West Africa. The weather is subtropical with distinct dry (7 Months) and rainy seasons. There is a dry wind called the Harmattan which blows during the dry season. The Harmattan Sahara winds give the Gambia a uniquely pleasant winter, completely rainless and blessed with daily sunshine. From November to May, the temperature varies between 70oF (21oC) and 80oF (27oC) and the relative humidity stays between 30% and 60%. Summer temperatures range between 80oF (27oC) and 90oF (32oC) and the relative humidity is high. The rains begin in June and continue to October, conceding with the warmer weather. Rainfall in most parts of the country does not exceed 40 inches (1,016 Millimeters) and sunny periods occur on most days even in the rainy season.

6. Accommodation and hotel reservation procedure

Special rates for hotel accommodation have been arranged for all delegates during the Forum, as follows:

7.0	Hotel	Room category and rate (in USD and Dallasis)			
№		Single	Double	Suite	Apartments
1.	KAIRABA HOTEL Tel: +220 4462 940/1 Fax: +220 4462 947 Email: kairaba@gamtel.gm Web:http://www.kairabahotel.co m	GMD 1875 (Approx \$75)	GMD 2000 (Approx \$80)	GMD 2000 (Approx \$80)	GMD 2125 (Approx \$85)
2.	SENEGAMBIA BEACH Tel: +220 4462 718/7 Fax: +220 4461 839 Email: senegambia@gamtel.com Web: http://www.senegambiahotel.co m/	GMD1325 (Approx \$50)	GMD1800 (Approx \$68)	GMD1800 (Approx \$68)	GMD 2000 (Approx \$80)
3.	KOMBO BEACH (NOVOTEL) Tel: +220 465 467/6 Fax: +220 465 490 Email: kombo@gamtel.gm http://www.senegal.gambia.de/W illkommen/Englisch/Hotels/Hote l in the Gambia/Kombo Beach Hotel/kombo beach hotel.html	GMD 1250 (Approx \$50)	GMD 1900 (Approx \$76)	GMD 1900 (Approx \$76)	GMD 3500 (Approx \$140)
	SUNSET BEACH RESORT Tel: +220 4466397 Fax: +220 4463874 Email: info@sunsetbeachhotel.gm Web: http://www.sunsetbeachhotel.gm/	GMD 1000 (Approx \$37)	GMD 1500 (Approx \$56)	GMD 1500 (Approx \$56)	GMD 2000 (Approx 75)

7. Visa formalities

All travelers to Gambia must have a valid passport for at least six months after arrival in Banjul. Please contact the Gambian diplomatic/consular representative in your country to ensure that you have all the required travel documents to enter Gambia.

Entry visa to the Gambia is required for foreign citizens except for citizens of ECOWAS States.

Holders of diplomatic passports need an entry visa to the Gambia.

Holders of UN «Laissez-Passer» do not need an entry visa to the Gambia as well.

Places where visa can be obtained:

Visas can be obtained only at diplomatic missions and consular offices of the Gambia.

The participants of the Forum who need visa support, may contact the following representatives of the PURA

Mr Alex Dacosta

Tel.: +220 446 5184, Fax: + 220 446 5187

e-mail: adc@pura.gm

8. Local Time

GMT hours

9. Credit Cards

Credit Cards are accepted in hotels, most shops and restaurants in the Gambia. The current exchange rate is 1USD = 28 dallasis.

10. Electricity

The main voltage is 220 Volt with 2 round prongs & 3 pin UK type)

11. Contact

For further information, please contact:

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