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**UNWTO and ICAO Joint Ministerial Conference on
Tourism and Air Transport in Africa**
Victoria, Mahé, Seychelles
13-15 October 2014

Info.Note

GENERAL INFORMATION NOTE

1. The World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) and the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) First Joint Ministerial Conference on Tourism and Air Transport in Africa, will take place in Victoria, Mahé, Seychelles, on 13 and 15 October 2014 at the kind invitation of the Government of Seychelles. The conference is open to the participation of UNWTO/ICAO Member States, UNWTO affiliate members, invited delegations, as well as to representatives of the tourism and air transport industry.

I. VENUE OF THE CONFERENCE

2. The conference will be held at: *Savoy Hotel*
Address: *Beau Vallon*
Victoria, Mahé, Seychelles
Tel.: (+248) 4392000
Fax: (+248) 4392001
E-mail: rsvn@savoy.sc

II. REPLIES TO INVITATIONS

3. Governments and other bodies invited by the UNWTO and ICAO Secretaries-General respectively are requested to send their replies to the following addresses at the latest on **10 October 2014**, indicating as much as possible, the composition of their delegations:



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III. STATUS OF PARTICIPANTS

4. The Government of the Seychelles will take the necessary steps to facilitate the arrival and departure of participants invited by the Organizations, as well as their stay in the Republic of Seychelles. Throughout their stay, participants will enjoy the privileges and immunities provided for in the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations of 13 February 1946.

IV. ENTRY FORMALITIES

5. A valid passport is required for visitors to Seychelles. No entry visa is required for Seychelles.

V. TRANSPORT

6. The Ministry of Tourism and Culture of Seychelles will arrange free transport for all participants upon arrival, and departure from the airport, as well as return transport between their hotels and the meeting place. All participants are therefore, requested to register on-line at the following link giving details of their arrival and departure: <http://africa.unwto.org/node/40994>

VI. AIRPORT TAXES

7. No airport taxes are required for Seychelles. Taxes are inclusive in the airfares.

VII. RECEPTION AT THE AIRPORT

8. A reception and information desk will be open for delegates at the international airport of Seychelles from arrival of delegates to their departure.

VIII. ACCOMMODATION

9. The delegates are requested to make their own arrangements by contacting their chosen hotel through the phone and fax numbers and the email addresses, and to make their reservations according to the hotels listed below. They should specify that they will be attending the **UNWTO and International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) First Joint Ministerial Conference on Tourism and Air Transport in Africa** in Victoria, Mahé, Seychelles on **14-15 October 2014**.

10. List of Hotels proposed by the Ministry for Tourism and Culture of the Seychelles:

| Hotels | Room Type | Daily rate (in Euros or Dollars includes VAT and breakfast) | Information Tel / Fax / Mail | Distance from the venue of the conference |
|---|------------------------------------|---|--|---|
| <i>Savoy Hotel</i> | Garden view: Single Room | EUR280 | Tel.: (+248) 4392000 Fax: (+248) 4392001 Email: rsvn@savoy.sc / toussaint@savoy.sc | Meeting Venue |
| | Garden View Double Room | EUR310 | | |
| | Ocean View Single Room | EUR330 | | |
| | Ocean View Double Room | EUR360 | | |
| | Junior Suite: | EUR 460 | | |
| | Suite | EUR 560 | | |
| <i>Coral Strand Hotel</i> | Single standard Ocean view | EUR150 | Tel.: (+248) 4287287 Fax: (+248) 4291080 Email: mail@coralstrand.sc | 5 Minutes Walk |
| | Double/twin standard Ocean view | EUR200 | | |
| <i>Berjaya Beau Vallon Bay Hotel</i> | Single Standard Room | US\$ 125 | Tel.: (+248) 4287287 Fax: (+248) 4247287 Email: erica.tirant@berjayahotel.com | 15 Minutes Walk (Shuttle will be available) |
| | Double Standard Room | US\$ 147 | | |
| | Triple Standard Room | US\$190 | | |
| | Single Deluxe Room | US\$ 162 | | |
| | Double Deluxe Room | US\$ 184 | | |
| | Triple Deluxe Room | US\$ 227 | | |
| <i>Le Meridien Fisherman's Cove Hotel</i> | Superior Room | EUR330 | Tel.: (+248) 4677000 Fax: (+248) 4620903 Email: reservations.fishcove@lemeridien.com sales.fishcove@lemeridien.com | 15 minutes walk (Shuttle will be available) |
| | Deluxe Room | EUR390 | | |
| | Junior Suite | EUR430 | | |
| | Executive Ocean Front Suite | EUR530 | | |
| <i>Sunset Beach Hotel</i> | Single Room | EUR219 | Tel.: (+248) 4261111 / (+248)4261265 Fax: (+248) 4261330 Email: sunsetreservations@seychelles.sc reservations@thesunethotelgroup.com | 15 Minutes by shuttle |
| | Double Room | EUR226 | | |
| <i>Augerine Hotel</i> | Single Room | EUR100 | Tel.: (+248) 4247257 Fax: (+248) 4247257 Email: augerine@seychelles.sc | 10 Minutes Walk (Shuttle will be available) |
| | Double Room | EUR130 | | |
| | Single Room | EUR75 | | |

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| <i>Romance Bungalows</i> | Double Room | EUR87 | Tel.: (+248) 4247 732 Fax: (+248) 4247 797 Email: romance@seychelles.net | 5 Minutes Walk |
| | Triple Room | EUR100 | | |
| | Single Standard Room | EUR95 | | |
| <i>Carana Hilltop Villa</i> | Double Standard Room | EUR105 | Tel.: (+248) 4241990 Fax: (+248) 4241990 Email: reservation@caranahilltopvilla.com mailto:romance@seychelles.net | 10 Minutes by shuttle |
| | Superior Single Room | EUR105 | | |
| | Superior Double Room | EUR115 | | |
| | Family Room (4 persons) | EUR150 | | |
| | Luxury Single Room | EUR130 | | |
| | Luxury Double Room | EUR140 | | |
| | Standard Single Room | EUR94 | | |
| <i>Coco D'Or Hotel</i> | Deluxe Single Room | EUR164 | Tel.: (+248) 4247331 Fax: (+248) 4247454 Email: reservations@cocodor.sc | 10 Minutes walk |
| | One Bedroom Apartment | EUR145 | | |
| <i>Bel Horizon</i> | | | Tel.: (+248) 2520061 Fax: (+248) 4261115 Email: BelHorizonSeychelles@Gmail.com | 10 Minutes by shuttle |

IX. HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

11. **Yellow fever:** Need to provide proof of yellow fever vaccination (yellow card) certificate at the Seychelles International Airport if delegates are from countries where yellow fever is a risk according to W.H.O.

X. REGISTRATION AND ACCREDITATION

12. At the venue of the conference, a registration desk will be open **two days** before the start of the proceedings. Badges will be issued at the time of registration.

XI. WORKING LANGUAGES

13. The working languages of the conference will be English and French. The documents will be prepared in English and French, and simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English and French.

XII. SOCIAL PROGRAMME

14. Official opening Dinner and Closing Dinner.

XIII. CURRENCY REGULATIONS

15. The local currency of Seychelles is the Seychelles *Rupees*. The current rate of exchange is approximately 1 Euro for *SCR16.62* and 1 Dollar for *SCR12.11*

XIV. **CLIMATE**

16. The average temperature in Seychelles in the month of October ranges from 24.6°C minimum to 29.9°C maximum.

XV. **LOCAL TIME**

17. The local time in Seychelles is *+4 hours ahead* of the Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).

XVI. **BUSINESS & SHOPPING HOURS**

18. Banks are open from *8.30 am to 2.30 pm* on Mondays to Fridays. On Saturdays 8.30 am to 11.30 am.

19. Shops are open from *9.00 am to 5.00 pm on Mondays to Fridays. On Saturdays 9.00 am to 12.00 pm.*

XVII. **INFORMATION ON THE WEB SITE**

20. For further information on the conference, please refer to UNWTO/ICAO websites: <http://africa.unwto.org>