



AU POLICY CONFERENCE

Promoting the Peace, Security, & Development Nexus:

The Promise of Regional Integration

25th - 27th October 2022 Tangier, Kingdom of Morocco

INFORMATION NOTE









1. VENUE, ACCOMMODATION AND DSA FOR SPONSORED PARTICIPANTS

The venue of the conference is the Hilton Al Houara Resort & Spa in Tangier, Morocco.

Accommodation

The experts will be accommodated at the Hilton AI Houara Resort & Spa and other participants will be accommodated at the Hilton Garden Inn. The two hotels are both vibrant, refined hotels providing consistent, hospitable and quality services.

Daily Subsistence Allowance

- Daily Subsistence Allowance or Honorarium for sponsored experts will be calculated in line with the
 policies and procedures of the sponsoring organization.
- Accommodation (bed and breakfast), lunch and tea/coffee breaks will be provided during the 3-day conference.
- The AU Commission will not be responsible for any other costs incurred at the hotel.

Focal person at conference venue

Zaineb Khaji, Sales Manager, Hilton Tangier Al Houara

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2. FLIGHTS, VACCINES AND VISA REQUIREMENTS

Kindly note that AU passports will not be accepted by the Moroccan immigration authorities. Please ensure you have your national passports when travelling. Your passport should be valid for a minimum period of six months. Participants will receive a letter from the AU Commission which will allow them to board the plane from their airport of embarkation and obtain a visa upon arrival where applicable.

E-ticket information

AU partners will provide air tickets to selected participants. Once you receive your ticket, kindly send an acknowledgment to:

Meskerem Tekeste: MeskeremK@africa-union.org

Sanatek Woldemariam: <u>SanatekW@africa-union.org</u>

Traveling to the Kingdom of Morocco does not require a COVID-19 test or vaccine. However, it is highly advised that participants ensure that routine vaccinations are up to date. In addition, it is recommended that participants be vaccinated against hepatitis A, typhoid, yellow fever and rabies. For more information, kindly refer to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's web page on travelling to the Kingdom of Morocco (https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/traveler/none/morocco).

Protocol officers will be physically present at each airport and train station to facilitate ground transportation for participants. Ground transportation between the airports of Casablanca, Rabat and the respective train stations and between Tangier airport and the conference venue will be arranged by the Moroccan authorities.

Please note that tickets have been purchased for you and will be provided for you at the train station.

Focal point for train ticket inquiries

Ev Events Agency, Amina Khoueit (+212 6 71 01 00 64)

Arrival at Casablanca Airport

Please note it takes approximately 2 hours by train or 3.5 hours by car to transfer from Casablanca city to Tangier city. From there, a shuttle will transport participants from Tangier city to the conference venue at the Hilton Tangier Al Houara Resort & Spa (a 45-minute journey).

Arrival at Rabat Airport

Please note it takes approximately 1.5 hours by train or 2 hours by car to transfer from Rabat city to the Tangier train terminal. From there, a shuttle will transport participants from Tangier city to the conference venue at the Hilton Tangier Al Houara Resort & Spa (a 45-minute journey).

Arrival at Tangier Airport

Please note it takes approximately 30 minutes to transfer from Tangier to the conference venue at the Hilton Tangier Al Houara Resort & Spa.

Casablanca Airport	Rabat Airport	Tangier Airport
Mehdi Bacha +212 6 00 34 24 34 91	Brahim Braougui +212 6 61 22 21 98	Khalid Bouziane +212 7 70 48 57 95
Hassan Taoussi +212 6 42 15 60 22	Abdelkarim Chatih +212 6 41 34 58 56	Amar Halfaoui +212 6 65 44 69 95
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Casablanca Train Station	Rabat Train Station	Tangier Train Station
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For urgent guidance, kindly contact the planning team via Whatsapp:

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Afreximbank: Yara ElHamaky (+20 100 172 7925)

3. EXCHANGE RATES

1 USD = 10.66 MAD

1 Euro = 10.45 MAD

1 GPB = 11.90 MAD

4. DRESS CODE

Official/Traditional/African.

5. WEATHER

October is the heart of autumn in Tangier with average temperatures ranging from 24 degrees Celsius during the day and 17 degrees Celsius at night.