# Intergovernmental Conference to Adopt a Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration

10 - 11 December 2018 Marrakech, Morocco

#### INFORMATION NOTE FOR PARTICIPANTS

#### **CONFERENCE VENUE**

The Intergovernmental Conference to Adopt a Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration will be held from 10 to 11 December 2018 at the UN Conference Building in **Bab Ighli**. All relevant information pertaining to the conference are available on the official conference website: <a href="http://www.un.org/en/conf/migration/">http://www.un.org/en/conf/migration/</a>

#### SIDE EVENTS

Side events will be held from 8 to 9 December 2018 at the <u>Palmieri Golf Palace</u>. Please note that no space is available for side events at the Conference site.

For additional information on side events, please visit: <a href="http://www.un.org/en/conf/migration/side-events.shtml">http://www.un.org/en/conf/migration/side-events.shtml</a>

#### REGISTRATION AND IDENTIFICATION BADGES

In order to participate at the Conference, you will need to be confirmed as a registered participant by the Office of the Special Representative for International Migration. Once confirmed, you will be issued a personalized letter of invitation which can also be presented when applying for a visa. Once you arrive in Marrakech, you will need to present yourself at the conference registration site to be issued the required security identification badge for the conference.

Security regulations at the conference building require that all confirmed participants be registered on the ground and issued with badges for the Conference to enable them to attend the plenary and dialogue sessions. Registration will take place on-site from 7 December 2018 until 10 December 2018 from 9:30 am to 5:30 pm, and on 11 December from 9:30 am to 1:00 pm, upon presentation of a passport or a valid photo ID, and your Letter of Invitation. For security reasons, Identification Badges should be worn by all participants at all times during the Conference.

#### VISAS

<u>Please check right away if you need a visa to travel to Morocco</u>. If you do, you will be required to submit the visa application form and any accompanying documentation to the nearest Moroccan Embassy or Consulate in your country of departure, including the Letter of Invitation from the United Nations to the *Intergovernmental Conference to Adopt a Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration* and a valid passport. More information can be found here: <a href="http://www.un.org/en/conf/migration/logistics.shtml">http://www.un.org/en/conf/migration/logistics.shtml</a>

Note: Please note that you are responsible for any visa fees that you may incur.

#### HOTELS

Participants will need to reserve their room directly with the hotel of their choice. Please see the list of suggested hotels by clicking on the following link, which also includes contact information and rates: <a href="http://www.un.org/en/conf/migration/logistics.shtml">http://www.un.org/en/conf/migration/logistics.shtml</a>

<u>Note</u>: Please note that participants are responsible for making their own hotel reservations and for all expenses associated with their accommodation.

### Other information

- ➤ Time Zone: Morocco is GMT plus 1 hour.
- ➤ Weather: December in Marrakech is generally mild. Temperatures range in the upper 60 degrees Fahrenheit (20 degrees Celsius) during the day to mid-40 degrees Fahrenheit (7 degrees Celsius) at night.
- ➤ Electricity supply: 220 Volts
- ➤ Official Language: Arabic; French is spoken widely.
- ➤ Currency: Moroccan Dirham. The current exchange rate is US \$1 = 9.48 MAD, as of 24 October 2018

## **Contact Information**

Any further questions concerning the Conference can be addressed to: gcmigration@un.org

## PLEASE NOTE

No banners, signs, placards or posters will be permitted in the Conference venue, and distribution of flyers will not be allowed. Demonstrations of any kind -- whether inside the Conference venue or in the periphery of the Conference site -- will not be permitted under any circumstances by UN Security.