





### **GFMD Thematic Workshop:**

# **Narratives on Migration: Toward evidence-based Communication**

4-5 July 2019 Skhirat, Morocco

## **LOGISTICS NOTE FOR PARTICIPANTS**

WORKSHOP DETAILS	
Date and Schedule	Day 1: Thursday, 4 July 2019, 9h00-17h00  Day 2: Friday, 5 July 2019, 9h00-15h45  Please see detailed agenda for more information.
Venue	Mohammed VI International Conference Center
	Address: Skhirat Plage, Skhirat, Morocco Tel: +212 (0) 537 621 000
	Website: <a href="http://lamphitrite-palace.com/palais-des-congres/">http://lamphitrite-palace.com/palais-des-congres/</a>
	The conference center is about 45 minutes by car from Rabat-Salé International Airport and 1 hour from Casablanca Airport - Mohammed V.
Registration	For logistical considerations, all delegations are encouraged to RSVP via email to <a href="mailto:registration@gfmd.org">registration@gfmd.org</a> no later than Wednesday, <a href="mailto:26 June 2019">26 June 2019</a> .
Languages	Simultaneous interpretation services will be made available in English, French, Spanish and Arabic. To avail of interpretation headphones, delegates will be asked to present an official photo ID or passport.  Conference documents are available in English, French, Spanish and Arabic.
Meals	Lunch and coffee break will be made available in keeping with the schedule of the workshop meeting.
ACCOMMODATION and TRANSPORTATION	
Sponsored delegates	Hotel accommodation for sponsored delegates will be arranged and communicated separately by the <u>GFMD Support Unit</u> .

# Non-sponsored delegates

Non-sponsored delegates are responsible for booking and paying for their own accommodation and all related costs during their stay. A single occupancy room has been provisionally reserved by the host government in the hotel below:

**Hotel Farah** 

Address: Place 16 Novembre, Hassan, Rabat 10000

Tel: +212 (0) 694 610 488

The hotel is about 40 minutes <u>ride</u> by car from the Conference Center. Delegates staying in Hotel Farah will be **provided with transportation to and from the conference center** on July 4 and 5.

### **Contact for Hotel Reservation:**

To avail of preferential rates, please contact <u>directly</u> the agency Label Tours: resa@labeltours.ma

#### AIRPORT ASSISTANCE

# Shuttle service from airport to GFMD hotels

Arrangements will be made for the transportation of international delegates from the airport (both Rabat and Casablanca airports) to the hotel and back, subject to timely submission of flight itinerary.

Please send your travel itinerary to the GFMD Support Unit via <a href="mailto:registration@gfmd.org">registration@gfmd.org</a> no later than Friday, **28 June 2019**. Please also email any change(s) in your travel plan to ensure transportation assistance.

### **ENTRY TO MOROCCO AND VISA**

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In order to find out if a visa is required for Morocco, please visit the following website:

https://www.diplomatie.ma/en/Conseilsauxvoyageurs/tabid/3175/language/en-US/Default.aspx.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### Morocco

The Kingdom of Morocco, with a population of over 33.8 million, is a unitary sovereign state located in the Maghreb region of North Africa. Geographically, Morocco is characterised by a rugged mountainous interior, large tracts of desert and a lengthy coastline along the Atlantic Ocean and Mediterranean Sea.

	Morocco is a member of the Arab League, the Union for the Mediterranean, and the African Union. It has the fifth largest economy of Africa.
Religion and language	Morocco's predominant religion is Islam, and the official languages are Modern Standard Arabic and Amazigh (Berber). The Moroccan Arabic dialect, referred to as <i>Darija</i> , and French are also widely spoken.
Main sites (in Rabat city)	<ul> <li>Mausoleum of Mohammed V</li> <li>Hassan Tower</li> <li>Chellah Necropolis</li> <li>Kasbah of the Udayas</li> <li>Rabat Archaeological Museum</li> <li>Mohammed VI Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art</li> </ul>
Weather	Average temperatures in Rabat in the month of April range from a low of 11 C° to a high of 21°C.
Money	The local currency is the Moroccan Dirham (MAD). Indicative exchange rates as of 3 April, based on <a href="http://www.xe.com/fr/currency/mad-moroccan-dirham">http://www.xe.com/fr/currency/mad-moroccan-dirham</a> . <a href="https://www.xe.com/fr/currency/mad-moroccan-dirham">EUR</a>
Electricity	Type <u>C and E</u> (220-240 V) are the electrical sockets used. It is recommended to bring adapters/converters.
Dial code	The international dial code for Morocco is +212. To make a local call, you must first dial 0.
Important numbers in Rabat	Police: 190 Ambulance: 150 SOS Médecins Maroc (SOS Doctors): (0) 5 22 98 98 98 Train (ONCF): (0) 890 20 30 40 Airports: (0) 5 22 53 90 40 / (0) 5 22 53 91 40 / (0) 5 22 43 58 58 Information call: 160
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