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Parliamentary Conference on Interfaith Dialogue: *Working together for our common future*

Palais des Congrès, Marrakesh, Morocco
13–15 June 2023



Kingdom of Morocco

The Parliament

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Parliamentary Conference on Interfaith Dialogue: Working together for our common future will be held at the Palais des Congrès in Marrakech (Morocco), from June 13 to 15, 2023.

Registration and Assembly badges

The on-line registration system set up by the IPU Secretariat can be accessed via the Parliamentary Conference webpage by simply clicking on the registration button. It will be open from April 3 to June 5, 2023.

The on-site registration service will be open:

- Tuesday, June 13, from 12 pm to 7 pm, and
- Wednesday, June 14, and Thursday, June 15, from 8 am to 6:30 pm

Press and media accreditation

Only confirmed members of the press and media will receive accreditation. To do this, a letter from your media outlet and a copy of your press card should be submitted to press@ipu.org in addition to your online registration.

A media center will be operational from Tuesday, June 13, to Thursday, June 15, 2023. For any inquiries, please contact the Communications team at press@ipu.org.

The IPU attaches the utmost importance to the privacy of its Members and partners. For more information on the IPU's data policy, please see our [Privacy Statement](#).

Accommodation

Participants must take care of their accommodation for their stay in Marrakech. The host Parliament has selected several hotels near the conference venue as official hotels. Below is a list:

Hotels	Distance (km)	Stars	Availability	single room	double room	Price of single room	Price of double room
KENZI ROSE GARDEN	0.7	5	80	80		MAD1428	MAD1757
SAVOY	0.8	5	150	150		MAD1900	
MOVENPICK	0.2	5	100	100		MAD2970	MAD3110
SOFITEL	1.1	5	30	30		MAD3400	MAD3600
GREATER MOGADOR	0.15	5	150	100 deluxe + 50 STDRS		1140 - 1430 MAD	1260 - 1560 MAD
RADISSON BLU	1.2	5	100	100		MAD2230	MAD2460
OPERA PLAZA	0.7	4	10	10		MAD860	MAD990
RED HOTEL	1.3	4	10	10		MAD780	MAD860
2CIELS SHOP	0.7	4	25	25		MAD1570	MAD1680

Hotels	Distance (km)	Stars	Availability	single room	double room	Price of single room	Price of double room
PESTANA CR7	1	4	70	70		MAD2411	MAD2522
IMPERIAL PLAZA	3		30			MAD570	MAD670
FARAH	0.5	4	30	10	20	MAD850	MAD1080
AL BAHJA PALACE	0.6	3	18	8	10	MAD760	MAD870
GRAND IMILCHIL	0.9	3	25	10	15	MAD400	MAD500
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In order to ensure all bookings, participants are requested to make their reservation through the platform: www.ipu.ma.

As the city of Marrakech is a tourist destination and the period chosen for the conference coincides with the peak tourist season, the deadline for reservations is **May 31, 2023**, covering the period from **June 12 to 16, 2023**. Beyond this deadline, the host parliament will not be able to ensure a reservation.

Participants are responsible for accommodation, travel, international medical coverage and travel insurance, as well as incidental expenses.

To facilitate the process of identifying the place of reservations, please send the confirmation of the composition of your delegation, as well as the arrival dates and the name of the hotel of your choice, by 30 April 2023, by email to the Secretariat of the Moroccan Parliament at ipu.info@parlement.ma and m.benjnane@parlement.ma.

Visa formalities

The Moroccan authorities will facilitate the granting of entry visas to the Kingdom of Morocco to members of delegations through Moroccan consulates, embassies and diplomatic missions accredited in the countries concerned.

As the visa application process may take some time, all delegates are advised to submit their visa application as soon as possible.

For some countries where Morocco does not have a diplomatic or consular post, the visa will be issued on arrival. In this case, delegates are kindly invited to send by e-mail to the Moroccan Section Secretariat (ipu.info@parlement.ma) a photocopy of their passport, as well as the name of the airline company, the date and time of arrival in Morocco.

Security

The host Parliament will take the necessary measures to ensure the security of all participants and their property during the Conference. In this regard, delegates should **PERMANENTLY** wear the Conference badge on interfaith dialog, whether at the venue of the conference or at any official event to which they are invited.

As part of security measures, all persons and their personal belongings (bags/luggage) will be screened at the entrance to the conference venue.

The identification badges will be color coded to assist security personnel. Lost badges must be reported immediately at the registration and information desk. Delegates are asked to present their badges during security checks at the entrance of **Palais des Congrès**

Transportation

In order to ensure the reception and transport of all delegations, they are requested to send the Secretariat of the Moroccan Parliament “**the form of arrival and departure**” at ipu.info@parlement.ma and m.benjnane@parlement.ma.

A reception desk will be available to all participants at **the Marrakech-Ménara International Airport**. The host Parliament will be responsible for the transport of all delegates from their arrival to their hotel, as well as for their departure.

Shuttle services will be available between accredited conference hotels and **the Palais des Congrès**, as well as for all official events during the Conference. Schedules will be provided at each hotel’s information desk.

ON-SITE AND OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

Insurance

All participants are advised to subscribe to an insurance policy. **All delegates must also have international health insurance to travel to Morocco.**

Bilateral meetings

A limited number of rooms will be set aside for bilateral/in camera meetings. Bilateral meeting rooms will be available from June 13 to 15, 2023 and can be reserved for 30-minute slots, subject to availability and on a first-come, first-served basis. Room reservations for bilateral meetings will be possible from 10 April 2023 by sending them to the IPU Conference Service at conf-services@ipu.org, with the subject line “Marrakesh bilateral meeting request”.

Internet

Free Wi-Fi is available throughout the Conference venue

Medical services

First aid services and medical personnel will be available at each hotel and at the Conference venue. All other medical services will be the responsibility of the participants.

Make sure you have international health insurance. People undergoing special medical treatment are advised to bring sufficient amounts of drugs.

The Secretariat of the host Parliament should be informed of any specific medical treatment or other indications (dietary requirements, allergy, reduced mobility) as soon as possible (this information may be indicated at the time of online registration), so that appropriate precautions or measures can be taken.

Additional services at the Assembly venue

- [ATM/bureau de change](#)
- [On-Demand Printing Service](#)
- [Restaurants and cafés](#)
- [Travel agency](#)
- [COVID-19 PCR/Antigen Test Site \(on request\) - Medical Center](#)

OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

Climate and weather

Average temperatures in Marrakech in June range from **18 degrees in the morning to 33 degrees in the afternoon**. The temperatures are therefore very hot.

Time

The time in Morocco is GMT+1.

Electricity supply

The electric grid in Morocco is 230 V AC, 50 Hz. Electrical outlets in Morocco are European standard: Type C, 2 pins, without ground (amperage: 2.5 A, voltage: 220-240 V); Type E, 2 pins. For the most part, hotels offer adaptors on request.

Telecommunications

The following Moroccan mobile telecommunication providers are available:

- IAM
- ORANGE
- INWI

Mobile operators provide Internet access via GPRS, 3G, 4G, and 5G. SIM cards are available everywhere. However, any buyer/SIM card user in Morocco is legally required to register to activate their card by presenting an identification document (identity card or passport). The SIM card can be registered at the point of purchase.

Banking services and currency

Morocco's national currency is the Dirham (MAD). Participants will be able to exchange currency in hotels, banks, ATMs and at the airport.

A bureau de change will be made available to delegates at the Conference venue. Most credit cards are accepted everywhere in Morocco, but there is a preference for cash.

The following is the exchange rate for certain currencies as of January 17, 2023:

- 1 euro = 10.97 MAD
- US\$1 = 10.16 MAD
- GBP 1 = 12.41 MAD

Business and business hours

Public services are open from 8:30am to 4:15pm, Monday to Friday. The usual opening hours of shops are from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. every day.

Tobacco

Smoking, including e-cigarettes, is not allowed in indoor areas of Morocco. Details on smoking areas at the conference venue will be provided.

Customs regulations

Any delegate wishing to bring materials to Morocco should consult the website:
[https://www.douane.gov.ma/web/guest/nos-bases-legislatives-et-reglementaires.](https://www.douane.gov.ma/web/guest/nos-bases-legislatives-et-reglementaires)

For more information

Further information and assistance are available from the Secretariat of the Parliament of Morocco for *the Parliamentary Conference on Interfaith Dialog* at:

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