

Second Arab Land Conference

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Logistics Note for Participants



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This note contains important information about the **Second Arab Land Conference** and is designed to help you plan and make the most of your time. Please read carefully and do not hesitate to get in touch with us if you have any questions about your attendance.

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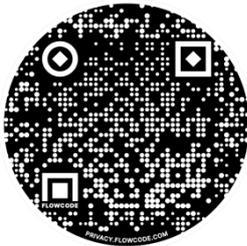
VENUE



The conference will be taking place in Cairo – Egypt, at **Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at The First Residence**.

Address: 35 Giza St, Oula, Giza District, Giza Governorate.

Telephone : +2 02 35671600



You can scan this QR code with your phone and save the location directly in your map application of preference (supports Android and iOS phones).

Conference language

The conference will be conducted in Arabic, English and French with available simultaneous interpretation during the whole event.

Conference facilities

All conference facilities and meeting rooms are equipped with WIFI. Due to COVID restrictions, it is considered to minimize the number of attendees at each room to cater for the highest measures of safety and social distancing.

Catering

Lunch and Coffee / Tea will be provided for registered participants at the conference venue

VIRTUAL ATTENDEES REGISTRATION

The Second Arab Land Conference will be managed through **Whova** application and broadcasted on **Zoom Webinar**

The sessions will be streamed online on the **Zoom Webinar** platform. The **Whova** application will offer you an interactive and intuitive interface to better manage your **online participation** to the Conference. Indeed, **Whova** allows you to engage and connect with the audience and other participants (both in person and online attendees) before, during and after the event, to add specific sessions to your calendar and to receive all the useful information accordingly to your interests.



The **Whova** applications can be used as follow:

- Web app version without downloading the app (the link is provided on the confirmation page/mail) or
- Download the App

More information and step-by- step instruction on how to use the Whova application can be found at the link <https://whova.com/pages/whova-app-user-guide/>

As you have already registered to the Second Arab Land Conference you received the Whova link by email from the official communication channels of the Conference; please proceed by clicking the provided link and you will access to the **Whova** portal.

Once you concluded the process, you will receive a Unique ID number and QR code, you will be able to edit your profile, see other participants' profiles, check out the sessions' speakers, and much more.

Important: in order to access please use the same email address you used to register to the Second Arab Land Conference.

Conference's organisers recommend to download and familiarize yourself with the Conference's programme and features through the Whova application before the event.

IN PERSON ATTENDEES REGISTRATION AND BADGE

Also for the **in person participants** the **Whova** application will offer an interactive and intuitive interface to better manage the physical attendance to the Conference. Indeed, **Whova** allows you to manage the **mandatory check in** at the venue, engage and connect also with the virtual participants before, during and after the event, add specific sessions to your calendar and to receive the useful information and notifications related to the event.



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Even if you want to attend in person, Conference's organisers recommend to download and familiarize yourself with the Conference's programme and features through the Whova application before the event.

In person participants will show the **QR code** to obtain their **badge** at the registration desk, which will be located at the entrance of each session.

Physical attendees are asked to wear their badge during the entire conference, and to show their badge upon request. All participants are asked to bring their passport or equivalent national identity card (with photo).

ARRIVAL INFORMATION AND VISA ARRANGEMENTS

All delegates attending the conference are personally responsible for obtaining necessary entry visa(s) for travel to and from the meeting venue. Please ensure that the necessary arrangements are made on time.

Some nationalities can obtain an Egypt visa on arrival at the Cairo International airport at the bank kiosks before the immigration counters for \$25 USD and are valid for visits up to 30 days.

You could also get an Egypt Visa prior to traveling to Egypt online. We suggest arranging this with iVisa online https://www.ivisa.com/egypt-e-visa?utm_source=gettingstamped.

The following countries can obtain a visa on arrival at Egyptian ports of entries:

USA, UK, EU Nationals, Australia, Canada, Croatia, Georgia, Japan, New Zealand, Norway, Macedonia, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Serbia, Ukraine.

UN Laissez Passer holders do not require visa to enter Egypt.

Please also check if a transit visa is needed in countries where you may have to transfer during your trip to/from Cairo, Egypt.

In-person participants will be expected to make their own visa, travel and accommodation arrangements, unless agreed otherwise with the organizers.

COVID-19 RELATED TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

All passengers "including Egyptians" travelling to Egypt must be in possession of negative PCR test certificate for (COVID-19) issued from the country of departure, maximum 72 hours (before flight departure time), except passengers travelling from Japan, China, Thailand, North America, South America, Canada, London Heathrow, Paris and Frankfurt will be allowed to provide the test certificate performed maximum 96 hours prior to flight time due to the long travel and transit period at these airports.

Precautionary procedures should be always maintained throughout the whole trip.

The submitted PCR certificate will be accepted if it meets these requirements:

- It includes the hour and the date of withdrawal of the sample, which is the date on which the 72 hours will be counted.
- Issued by an accredited laboratory and stamped with the laboratory's stamp and does not contain scraping, cancellation or addition.
- Indicating the type of sample taken for the swab.
- Indicating that the type of test is (RT - PCR).
- Certificate is accepted in Arabic or English language.

*PCR test certificate EXPIRES as soon as the passenger used it to travel outside Egypt (as it can't be used again to return back).

For return to country specific information please check your airline website or <https://www.egyptair.com/en/about-egyptair/news-and-press/Pages/EGYPTAIR%20is%20back%20to%20the%20Sky%20as%20of%2001July%202020.aspx> .

COVID-19 PCR TEST

We will be organizing a testing facility in the hotel venue on the 23th of Feb to take samples from traveling participants against charge with an average cost of 2000 EGP/ PCR test.

TRANSPORTATION

Airport pick up and drop off

Cairo Airport is approximately 20 kilometers from Dokki District; where the Hotel for accommodation and the conference venue is located. The journey takes 30 - 60 minutes depending on the time of arrival and the related traffic.

Limousine services can be organized for participants upon request to:

admin1@arablandconference.com .

You can also use the Airport shuttle service <https://cairoshuttlebus.com>, or use Uber as a safer and most reliable transportation service in Egypt. You may pay your trips through Uber application, either in cash or by credit card through the application.

- Uber Download for Android: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.ubercab&hl=en&gl=US>
- Uber Download for iOS: <https://apps.apple.com/eg/app/uber/id368677368>

ACCOMMODATION

Please send an email to the event organizers to admin1@arablandconference.com for reservations. Sponsored participants will be accommodated at Five stars hotel: **Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at The First Residence** (with breakfast and dinner included). Please note that all bar/mini-bar bills, room service, use of hotel phone, and all other extra expenses will be covered by the participants themselves.

- Check in 14:00, (early check in will be applied for participants arriving early).
- Check out 12:00, (late check – out till 14:00 is subject to availability)
- For self-sponsored participants the special rate for the hotel accommodation is 130 USD for single BB inclusive of service and charges

Here are also some nearby recommended hotels, which are cleared by our Department for Safety and Security (UNDSS):

Sheraton Cairo Hotel: (2 KM from venue)

Single room on Bed & Breakfast basis for **80 \$/ night**.

- Website: <https://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/caisi-sheraton-cairo-hotel-and-casino/>
- Location: <https://goo.gl/maps/fjgXEABFb6Hos1te7>

Sofitel Cairo Nile El Gezirah Hotel (2 KM from Venue)

Single room on Bed & Breakfast basis for 90 \$/ night.

- Website: <https://www.sofitel-cairo-nile-elgezirah.com/>
- Location: <https://goo.gl/maps/kssYEWdY844FDaFJ7>

InterContinental Cairo Semiramis, Cairo (5 KM from Venue)

Single room on Bed & Breakfast basis for 85 \$/ night.

- Website: <https://www.ihg.com/intercontinental/hotels/gb/en/reservation>
- Location: <https://g.page/ICSemiramis?share>

ABOUT CAIRO

Climate

The weather in Cairo in February will be as follows:

Average high temperature: 22 °C, Average low temperature: 10 °C.

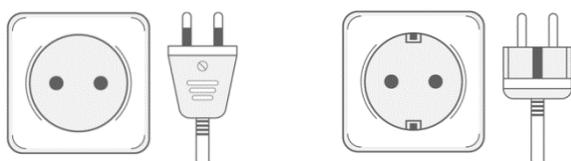
It is recommended for participants to be prepared and pack their clothing accordingly.

Time

The time in Egypt is (GMT+2). According to the new Egyptian regulations and COVID restrictions, Cairo's commercial shops and centers open from 7am till 10pm in the winter, while bazaars and restaurants open from 5am to 12am in the winter.

Power supply

For Egypt there are two associated plug types C and F. Plug Type C is the plug which has two round pins and plug type F is the plug which has two round pins with two earth clips on the side. Egypt operates on a 220V supply voltage and 50Hz.



Plug Type C

Plug Type F

Foreign exchange and currency

The exchange rate is: 1.0 US\$ = 15.70 Egyptian Pound Average

Exchanging money: It is recommended to change the money into Egyptian pounds through Exchange shops and/or banks. Banking business days in Cairo are from Sunday to Thursday, from 9 :00 am to 4:00 pm

Payment methods: You can pay all your purchase along your stay in Egypt either in cash or using the credit/debit cards such as visa or Master card, except for small shops where you will have to pay in cash as it is the only available option.

Emergency numbers

- Police:122, Ambulance: 123, Fire: 180, Tourist police: 126

Nearby Hospitals:

In case of sickness, it is recommended to visit the main hospitals in Cairo such as EL-SALAM HOSPITAL or DAR-ELFOAD, as they have professional doctors in all of the medical fields.

Contact us

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