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REGIONAL SEMINAR ON MRTDS, BIOMETRICS & TRAVELLER IDENTIFICATION MANAGEMENT

8 TO 10 APRIL 2014, TASHKENT, UZBEKISTAN

Accommodation and Practical Information

Seminar Venue

International Business Center
107 B, Amir Timur Street
Tashkent, Uzbekistan
<http://www.ibt.uz/home/>

Organizer

MRTD Programme

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Attendance Fee

- **FREE** for government agencies, government-owned companies, academia and NGOs
- **US\$ 1995.** - for industry (private sector) participants

Seminar participants make their own travel and hotel arrangements and cover their living expenses. Lunches and coffee breaks will be provided.

Registration

Participants are requested to register in advance [online](#) before 21 March 2014.

Places are limited due to the size of the conference hall. Participants will be registered on a first come first served basis. We encourage you to register for the Seminar at your earliest convenience.

Participants will be required to **reconfirm** their registration on site and collect their passes and Seminar materials. Reception Desk will be available at the Seminar venue on **Monday, 7 April from 1500–1900 and Tuesday, 8 April from 08.00–12.00 hours.**

Visas

According to the legislation of the Republic of Uzbekistan, **foreign citizens** can enter the country or **travel through its territory on transit only if their entrance visas are available.**

PARTICIPANTS MUST COMPLETE AN ON-LINE VISA APPLICATION FORM AT:

<http://evisa.mfa.uz>

The following information is required on your visa application:

1. Number of entries: one
2. Duration of visa procedure: Urgent
3. Place of visa issuance: upon arrival at Tashkent Airport
4. Purpose of Visit: Participation at ICAO/OSCE MRTD Uzbekistan Regional Seminar, 8-10 April 2014
5. Inviting Party: State Personalization Centre of Uzbekistan
6. Address in Uzbekistan: *For those participants who need assistance with a hotel reservation, the State Personalization Center may help with bookings at the recommended hotels listed under the Accommodation Section.*

COMPLETE APPLICATION, SIGN AND INCLUDE PHOTOGRAPH AND

COPY OF PASSPORT DATA PAGE, MUST SEND BY EMAIL

BEFORE DEADLINE OF 15 MARCH 2014 TO:

To: mrtd.2014.tashkent@gmail.com

Cc: otabek.Rashidov@osce.org

Subject: Visa Application – MRTD Regional Seminar, Tashkent, 8 to 10 April 2014

The Uzbekistan State Personalization Center will forward a “Visa Support letter” for each participant to officials of Tashkent Airport. Should you have any questions, please telephone +998712350482.

Simplified Visa Regulations for the citizens of some countries:

1. There is a bilateral Visa Free Regulation with Azerbaijan, Armenia, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Moldova, Russia, Ukraine, as well as Kyrgyzstan (up to 60 days).
2. There is a simplified visa procedure for the citizens of Austria, Belgium, Germany, France, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Malaysia, Spain Switzerland, the United Kingdom, the United States.
3. There is Visa Free Regulation up to 90 days for the diplomatic passport possessors of Hungary, Romania, Slovakia and Turkey. The accredited personnel of the diplomatic missions and international organisations may stay on territory of the Sides without visa for the whole period of professional activity.
4. There is a Visa Free Regulation up to 90 days for the service passport possessors. Uzbekistan and Japan on a mutual basis issue Consular Free Visas.

Accommodation

For the sake of convenience, many participants chose to stay at a hotel which is closest to the Seminar venue. The following hotels have been recommended:

1. DEDEMAN HOTEL, AMIR TEMUR STREET, C-4 No.7/8, TASHKENT, 100000, UZBEKISTAN <http://www.dedeman.com/hotel-tashkent/dedeman-silkroad-tashkent.aspx>
*Transportation will be organized between the Dedeman Hotel and the venue in the morning and evenings.
2. RADISSON HOTEL, 88 AMIR TEMUR STREET, TASHKENT, 100084, UZBEKISTAN;
<http://www.radissonblu.com/hotel-tashkent/contact>
3. INTERNATIONAL HOTEL; 107A AMIR TEMUR STREET, TASHKENT, 100084, UZBEKISTAN <http://www.ihthotel.com/>

Transport from Airport to Hotels

The State Personalization Center can arrange transportation for participants from the airport to one of the recommended hotels. Requests must be made in advance to dpm@uznet.net and Otabek.Rashidov@osce.org.

Registration for Visitors Arriving and Departing Uzbekistan

Foreign visitors must be registered within 72 hours from moment of arrival, either at the hotel or at the emigration department offices, for those who will be staying in private apartments. Registration of visitors is done automatically in hotels for the duration of their stay.

Immigration authorities may detain visitors at departure who have not certified their visa, fees paid and registration stamp received.

Languages

The Seminar will be carried out in English with simultaneous interpretation into Russian.

Visitor Information and Facts about the Country

Mobile phones, laptops and electrical current: Participants are kindly asked to keep their mobile phones switched off inside conference rooms, as the same may cause radio frequency interferences with the sound system, adversely affecting the quality of interpretation. Participants are kindly requested not to use laptops next to the open microphones.

Currency: National currency –Soum (1 USD = 2,203.49 UZS; 1€ = 3,000.05 UZS –according to the current rate of the Central Bank of Uzbekistan). <http://www.cbu.uz/eng>

Bank services: Bank servicing and currency exchange can be done at exchange offices located in the city.

Energy supply: The standard voltage is 220 volts. It is recommended that you have a power adapter for your needs.

Insurance: The organizers will not take any responsibility for a loss of property and any injury, and no certificate is issued for such cases.

Time: There is a time difference of Tashkent and Greenwich time +5 hours.

Weather: The weather may be cool in early April: daytime temperature is +10-15 C and + 1-3 C at night. It is advised to check weather conditions before departure.

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