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Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific Asia-Pacific Information Superhighway (AP-IS) Private Sector Consultative Meeting

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Information for Participants

I. General

1. The Asia-Pacific Information Superhighway (AP-IS) Private Sector Consultative Meeting is scheduled to be held at the United Nations Conference Centre (UNCC), in Bangkok, on 1 April 2016.

2. The opening of the session will take place at 0915 hours on Friday, 1 April 2016 by the Director of the Information and Telecommunications Technology and Disaster Risk Reduction Division (IDD), in Meeting Room G, first floor, UNCC. All subsequent meetings will also be held from 0915 hours to 1200 hours and 1300 hours to 1630 hours.

II. Registration and identification badges

3. In order to enable more effective access control and speed up the screening by security personnel, ESCAP uses photo badges for meeting participants. Participants are requested to register and obtain meeting badges with their photo at the registration counter, located on the ground floor, UNCC, from 0800 hours onward on the opening day of the event.

Participants who are not able to register during the time indicated above are requested to do so upon their arrival at UNCC before going to the conference room. Only the names of duly registered participants will be included in the list of participants.

III. Visa requirements

4. Participants are REQUIRED to obtain an appropriate entry visa from the Royal Thai Embassy or the Royal Thai Consulate-General before entering to Thailand, EXCEPT for those nationals listed below.

List of countries and territories entitled for visa exemption and visa on arrival								
Ordinary passport								
A. Visa exemption for a ma	ximum of 14 days							
1. Cambodia	2. Myanmar (International Airports only)							
B. Visa exemption for a ma	ximum of 30 days							
1. Australia	18. Ireland	35. Poland						
2. Austria	19. Israel	36. Portugal						
3. Bahrain	20. Italy	37. Qatar						
4. Belgium	21. Japan	38. Russian Federation						
5. Brunei Darussalam	22. Kuwait	39. Singapore						
6. Canada	23. Liechtenstein	40. Slovak Republic						
7. Czech Republic	24. Lao People's Democratic Republic	41. Slovenia						
8. Denmark	25. Luxembourg	42. South Africa						
9. Estonia	26. Macao, China	43. Spain						
10. Finland	27. Malaysia	44. Sweden						
11. France	28. Monaco	45. Switzerland						
12. Germany	29. Mongolia	46. Turkey						
13. Greece	30. Netherlands	47. United Arab Emirates						
14. Hong Kong, China	31. New Zealand	48. United Kingdom of Great Britain						
15. Hungary	32. Norway	and Northern Ireland						
16. Iceland	33. Oman	49. United States of America						
17. Indonesia	34. Philippines	50. Vietnam						
C. Visa exemption for a ma	ximum of 90 days	·						
1. Argentina	3. Chile	5. Peru						
2. Brazil	4. Republic of Korea							
Diplomatic / Official Passport								
A. Visa exemption for a maximum of 30 days								
1. Cambodia	8. Macao, China							
2. Brunei Darussalam	9. Mongolia							

3. China	10. Myanmar						
4. Ecuador	11. Oman						
5. Hong Kong, China	12. Pakistan (Diplomatic Passport only))					
6. Indonesia	13. Singapore						
7. Lao People's Democratic Republic	14. Vietnam						
B. Visa exemption for a maximum of 90 days							
1. Albania	16. India	31. Poland					
2. Argentina	17. Israel	32. Romania					
3. Austria	18. Italy	33. Russian Federation					
4. Belgium	19. Japan	34. Slovak Republic					
5. Bhutan	20. Republic of Korea	35. South Africa					
6. Brazil	21. Liechtenstein	36. Spain (Diplomatic Passport only)					
7. Chile	22. Luxembourg	37. Sri Lanka					
8. Colombia	23. Malaysia	38. Switzerland					
9. Costa Rica	24. Mexico	39. Tajikistan					
10. Croatia	25. Montenegro (as of 31 Oct 2015)	40. Tunisia					
11. Czech Republic	26. Nepal	41. Turkey					
12. Estonia (Diplomatic Passport only)	27. Netherlands	42. Ukraine					
13. France (Diplomatic Passport only)	28. Panama	43. Uruguay					
14. Germany	29. Peru						
15. Hungary	30. Philippines						
Vis	a on arrival (for a maximum of	15 days)					
1. Andorra	11. Maldives						
2. Bulgaria	12. Malta						
3. Bhutan	13. Mauritius						
4. China	14. Romania						
5. Cyprus	15. San Marino						
6. Ethiopia	16. Saudi Arabia						
7. India	17. Taiwan						
8. Kazakhstan	18. Ukraine						
9. Latvia	19. Uzbekistan						
10. Lithuania							
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5. Participants holding UN Laissez-Passer (UNLP) travelling on official

business to Thailand are REQUIRED to obtain an appropriate visa before entering.

6. To apply for an appropriate entry visa to Thailand, participants are required to contact the respective Royal Thai Embassy/Consulate-General for accurate information regarding their visa application procedures and required documents. The list of Royal Thai Embassy/Consulate-General can be found at <u>www.thaiembassy.org</u>

7. Participants who may wish to apply for visa application outside of their country of residence or reside in a country where there is no Royal Thai Embassy/Royal Thai Consulate should check the location where it is possible for them to apply for Thai visa. Please note that certain nationalities, for security reasons, are not allowed to apply for visas anywhere else except at the Royal Thai Embassy/Consulate-General which holds jurisdiction over the territory. For more information, please consult with your meeting organizer.

8. Participants who may need further assistance from UNESCAP on their visa application should contact their meeting organizer in order to coordinate with the Visa and Shipment Unit, Division of Administration, UNESCAP for necessary actions.

9. Participants who wish to apply for a visa on arrival at Suvarnabhumi International Airport should follow the requirements below:

(a) The applicant must possess a passport with validity of at least six months and must be in possession of a valid return ticket with date of departure within 15 days of the date of entry;

(b) The applicant must fill out an application form, which is available at the Visa-on-Arrival counter at Suvarnabhumi International Airport, supply one recent passport-sized photograph and a fee 1,000 Baht. NOTE: The information provided above is accurate as of **December 2015**. All participants are advised to consult with the Royal Thai Embassy/Consulate in their respective countries regarding the latest applicable immigration requirements prior to their departure to Thailand.

IV. Weather

10. The weather in Bangkok is usually warm and humid. Light tropical clothing would be appropriate. The conference rooms where the meetings are to be held are air-conditioned and the temperature is maintained in the range of 23-24 degrees Celsius (73-75 degrees Fahrenheit).

V. Health and vaccination

11. Because the countries listed below have been declared Yellow Fever infected areas, upon arrival at the port of entry in Thailand, participants who are the nationals of or who have traveled from/through these countries must provide an International Health Certificate proving that they have received a valid Yellow Fever vaccination at the Health Control Office before proceeding to immigration. A valid vaccination certificate means that the vaccine was administered at least 10 days prior to travel to the affected country. The International Health Certificate must also be submitted together with the visa application form.

The countries/areas listed below have been declared yellow fever infected areas:

1.	Angola	24.	Guyana
2.	Argentina	25.	Kenya
3.	Bolivia	26.	Liberia
4.	Brazil	27.	Mali
5.	Benin	28.	Mauritania
6.	Burkina Faso	29.	Niger
7.	Burundi	30.	Nigeria
8.	Cameroon	31.	Panama

- 9. Central African Republic
- 10. Chad
- 11. Colombia
- 12. Republic of Congo
- 13. Cote d'Ivoire
- 14. Democratic Republic of Congo
- 15. Ecuador
- 16. Equatorial Guinea
- 17. Ethiopia
- 18. French Guiana
- 19. Gabon
- 20. Gambia
- 21. Ghana
- 22. Guinea
- 23. Guinea-Bissau

- 32. Paraguay
- 33. Peru
- 34. Rwanda
- 35. Sao Tome & Principe
- 36. Senegal
- 37. Sierra Leone
- 38. Somalia
- 39. Sudan
- 40. Suriname
- 41. Tanzania
- 42. Togo
- 43. Trinidad & Tobago
- 44. Uganda
- 45. Venezuela

In view of the current outbreak of Ebola in some west African countries, the Government of the Kingdom of Thailand also requires all individuals who have stayed in or visited Guinea, Liberia, and Sierra Leone within the past three weeks (21 days) to identify themselves at the Health Control Office at Suvarnabhumi International Airport *BEFORE* proceeding to immigration.

Travelers from Ebola and Yellow Fever affected countries are both required to complete a health declaration form before an immigration check. Those who fail to follow this protocol may be denied entry to Thailand (as per the Communicable Disease Act B.E.2523 and Immigration Act B.E. 2522).

First-aid and emergency medical services are available at the Medical Centre, which is located on the ground floor of the UNCC, during weekdays. The ESCAP Medical Officer and Nurse are available from 0730 to 1545 hours, with the exception of lunch time from 1200 to 1245 hours. Appointments may be made through extensions 1352 or 1761.

The United Nations buildings are smoke-free areas. Smoking is permitted only in the designated areas outside of the buildings.

VI. Foreign currency declaration

12. Any person who brings or takes an aggregate amount of foreign currency exceeding US\$ 20,000 or its equivalent into or out of the Kingdom of Thailand shall declare such amount of foreign currency to a Customs Official. Failure to make such a declaration or making any false declaration to a Customs official is a criminal offence.

13. Currency exchange facilities are available at hotels and all over Bangkok. Such services are also available at the Siam Commercial Bank, United Nations Branch, which is located on the first floor of the Service Building (telephone extension 2168). The Bank opens from 08:30 to 15:30 hours, with no lunch break, from Monday to Friday.

VII. Airline reservations

14. Many international airlines operate regular services to and from Bangkok. Participants are advised to secure their return bookings prior to their departure for Bangkok. If this is not possible, they should make firm return bookings immediately upon arrival in Bangkok. Travel services are available through the American Express office located on the first floor of the Service Building, adjacent to the Siam Commercial Bank.

VIII. Hotel accommodation

15. The following hotels, located relatively close to ESCAP, have been designated as recommended hotels for which the room rates indicated below are inclusive of service charge and value added tax.

Name and address	Driving distance to UNCC	Room type	Daily room rates (Baht)	
	(min.)		Single	Double
Shangri-La Hotel ***** 89 Soi Wat Suan Plu, New Road Bangkok Tel: +66.2.2367777 Fax: +66.2.2368579 E-mail: thiptera.tanthasri@shangri-la.com Website: http://www.shangri-la.com <i>Contact person</i> : Ms. Thiptera Tanthasri	30-40	Deluxe Room	3,600 ^{a/c}	4,100 ^{a/c}
The Sukosol ***** 477 Si Ayuthaya Road, Phayathai Bangkok Tel: +66.2.2470123 Fax: +66.2.2470165 E-mail: ratchanikrit@sukosolhotels.com Website: http://www.sukosolhotels.com Contact person: Ms. Ratchaneekrit Khankath	15-25	Deluxe	2,700 ^{a/c}	2,900 ^{a/c}
Amari Watergate Hotel & Spa ***** 847 Petchaburi Road Bangkok Tel: +66.2.6539000 Ext. 5122 Fax: +66.2.6539045 E-mail: <u>sutrapat.k@amari.com</u> Website: <u>http://www.amari.com/watergate</u> <i>Contact person</i> : Ms. Sutrapat Kumwan	20-30	Deluxe	3,000 ^{a/c}	3,200 ^{a/c}

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