



ITU Centers of Excellence Network for Arab Region

Face-to-Face Training on

“Planning and Design of WDM Networks”

Tunis-Tunisia, 6-8 November 2017

INFORMATION NOTE

1. INTRODUCTION

The training on “Planning and Design of WDM Networks” will provide the participants with industry best practices and methodology in WDM optical network design and more precisely:

- Understand the principles of WDM optical transmission and its application areas.
- Understand how WDMs work and how they perform (optical source, optical amplifiers, etc.).
- Understand the operating principles and design of WDM optical networks.
- Illustrate the main factors involved in WDM network planning, such as power budget, dispersion compensation, OSNR calculation and non-linearity.

2. VENUE OF THE TRAINING

The training will be held at the premises of **Center of Information, Training, Documentation and Studies in Communication Technologies (CIFODE'COM)** at the following address:

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3. COORDINATORS

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4. ON-SITE REGISTRATION AND WORKING HOURS

The registration of the participants and distribution of documents will take place in the Training venue on 6 November 2017, at 08:00 hrs. The opening session will start at 08:30 am. Working hours are from 08:00 to 17:00.

5. VISA FORMALITIES

A valid passport is required to enter Tunisia. In this case, participants are strongly advised to seek information on requirements applicable in their case from the Tunisian Embassy / Consulate in their home countries **at least 15 days prior to the trip**.

In case there is no Embassy or Consulate of Tunisia in your country, it is recommended to send, **at least two weeks before the training** a clear scanned copy of your passport to the Training Coordinator in order to assist in issuing your visa.

The following documents are required:

- Valid passport.
- A round-trip airline.
- Hotel booking in your name or in the name of the person with whom you will be staying, including the address/phone number of your place of stay.
- Confirmation of registration for the event.
- If applicable, invitation letter received from country of the venue.

6. ACCOMMODATION

Kindly be advised that it is recommended for participants to reserve their hotel accommodations directly via telephone, fax or E-mail.

7. LIST OF PROPOSED HOTELS

Hotel	Star Rating	Facilities Included	Distance to Venue	Daily Rate (USD) LPD/DP	Contact
Maison Blanche	5	Wi-Fi/breakfast/dinner	10 min	Single: 98 / 98+dinner on the card Double: 108 / 108+dinner on the card	maison.blanche@planet.tn
Belvedere Fourati	4	Wi-Fi/breakfast/dinner	16 min	Single: 89 / 106 Double: 89 / 124	reservation@hotelbelvedere.tunis.com
Hotel Le Consul	4	Wi-Fi/breakfast/dinner	12 min	Single: 78 / 78+dinner on the card Double: 108 / 108+dinner on the card	contact@hotelleconsul.com
Hotel El Becha	3	Wi-Fi/breakfast/dinner	7 min	Single: 65 / 78 Double: 108 / 134	contact@lepacha.com.tn
Hotel du Parc	3	Wi-Fi/breakfast/dinner	10 min	Single: 41 / 54 Double: 61 / 87	contact@tunisiapalace.com

NB: Hotels rates mentioned above are those of 2016.

8. DETAILS OF ARRIVAL AND TRANSPORT

The airport has all necessary amenities to welcome participants properly. It is located [10] minutes from the city and the official hotels of the forum and the airport is used for arrival and departure of international flights.

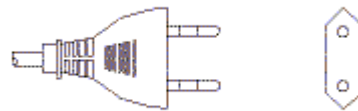
The officially recommended hotels are located close to the event venue. For those who wish to take a taxi, it is strongly recommended that delegates only use [yellow national taxis]. The cost of a journey of 10 kilometers is approximately [cost about 10 TND].

9. CURRENCY

The official currency of Tunisia is the Tunisian Dinar. Visa, American Express, Access/MasterCard, and Diners Club cards can also be used. Banks are opened from Monday till Friday, from 8.00 to 16.00.

10. ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES

AC power voltage in Tunisia is 220V, frequency ~50Hz. Most electrical outlets are as shown below.



11. LANGUAGES

Arabic is the main language. French and English are used as a communication tools with foreigners.

12. SECURITY

The crime rate in Tunisia is medium on UNDSS security advisory. However, visitors are advised to observe common safety practices while travelling (e.g. storing valuables in safe, keeping wallets in a secure pocket, etc.). For any security incident, visitors should contact the police on 197.

13. MEDICAL AND HEALTH

Emergency and urgency medical assistance will be provided free of charge within the premises where the training will take place. Nevertheless it is advised to take out international travel insurance to cover any medical expenses in case of medical treatment.

14. WEATHER

Approximate temperatures in November will vary between 17°-25°C.

15. INTERNET

Internet Access free of charge will be available at the event training room. Hotels normally offer free Wi-Fi connectivity.