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I- General Information about Tunisia

I.1 Presentation of Tunisia

Located in North Africa, Tunisia is bordered to the north and east by the Mediterranean Sea (1298 kilometers of coastline), to the west by Algeria with 965 km of common borders and to the southeast by Libya with 459 km of borders. It is separated from Europe by a distance of 140 km at the Sicily Channel.

Population: 11,708,370 (2020)

Area: 163,155 km

I.2. Where to go

Medina of Tunis

The Medina of Tunis is the medina quarter of Tunis, the capital of Tunisia. It has been a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1979.

In the medina, admire the Great Mosque Zitouna, from the 9th century, and the Turkish mosques decorated with marble... Observe also the central souks, covered streets reserved for trade and crafts: jewellery, traditional embroidered dress and chéchia, the traditional red felt hats typical to Tunisia.

• The city center of Tunis

In the city center of Tunis, the neighborhoods surrounding Bourguiba Avenue have their own special charm.

In the city center and its modern quarters there is several shopping centers where major international brands rub shoulders with designer boutiques and artisanal creations.

Bardo National Museum

The most important exhibition of mosaics in the world is located in Tunis, in the former palace of the Beys, the Bardo, completely renovated and extended in 2012. This museum possesses a unique collection of Roman artifacts to which have been added artifacts from across Tunisia's history, from ancient Carthage to the Ottoman era.

Archeological site of Carthage

The site of Carthage is designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site and is worth a long visit. The accumulation of ruins across a vast zone allows the ancient city to come alive in the imagination: water reservoirs with a capacity of 60 million litres, gigantic Roman baths, an elegant way of life. In the archaeological museum, visitors can discover the art and religious rituals of Punic Carthage.

• The village of Sidi Bou Saïd

Sidi Bou Saïd is an elegant village next to Carthage where the blue and white houses jostle with each other on the hillside, facing the sea.



I.3. The main Tunisian cultural and natural sites listed as World Heritage



Coliseum El Djem



Thugga



Kairouan Mosque



Carthage



Tunis medina



Sousse Medina



Kerkouan



Lake Ichkeul



I.4. Useful Information:

- Time Zone: the local time in Tunisia is GMT+1
- Currency: Tunisian Dinar an average 1€= 3.080 TND. Visa and MasterCard credit cards are accepted in many places, in addition to exchange offices and ATMs.
- The weather: the month of August in Tunisia is most often characterized by sunny and humid weather, the average temperatures vary on between 36°C during the day and 25°C at night.
- Electricity: the electrical voltage is 220 volts, only round bipolar plugs, technically known as type (C, E, F) can be used otherwise an adapter must be used.
- National and international telephony:

To call Tunisia: dial the number directly;

To call Tunisia from abroad: 00-216- phone number;

To call from Tunisia abroad: 00- country code phone number.

• Working hours within the Administration (summer time):

Monday to Thursday: 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Friday: 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

- Weekly off: Saturday and Sunday
- Most shops are open from 09:00 to 20:00
- Internet: Tunisia has good coverage, a secure and free very high speed Wi-Fi network is available at the Palais des Congrès in the plenary hall and in the common areas as well and in the premises of the majority of hotels.



II. Media accreditation

II.1 Application Procedures:

- Professionals and representatives of media to cover the activities of TICAD 8 must complete an application for accreditation through the designated registration window on the TICAD 8 website: www.ticad8.tn.
- Accreditation is open from July 26 to August 14, 2022.
- Accreditation forms are available online for participants on the official website www.ticad8.tn in the media menu which links directly to the media accreditation platform.
- A personal acknowledgment email will be generated by the accreditation platform (this email does not entitle you to a TICAD8 badge);
- Accreditation requests are examined by the Information and Communication Unit of TICAD 8 in accordance with the accreditation criteria mentioned in this guide. A confirmation email indicating the approval of the accreditation request is sent to the applicant (For each media, a limited number of accreditations will be granted).
- Media badges will be given to the foreign press on their arrival at Tunis Carthage International Airport (the media professional is invited to present the validation email with an identity card)

Remarks: These measures do not apply to media professionals accompanying official delegations

II.2 Accreditation criteria:

- To guarantee the various media the right to cover this Conference, the Information and Communication Unit of TICAD 8 will receive accreditation requests, take the appropriate decisions, and monitor the registration procedures and issue special badges to media professionals.
- The Information and Communication Unit adopts the following criteria to review submitted applications:
- Compliance with the legislation in force for the audiovisual media (Radio and TV).
- A limited number of accreditations will be granted to each media (5 per TV channel, 3 per radio and 2 for other forms of media).

Remarks:

- The official press accompanying the Heads of Delegations is subject to the procedures specific to official delegations.
- The Information and Communication Unit of the Conference is the only body authorized to communicate with media professionals.



II.3 Journalists Badges

- The Information and Communication Unit will provide press badges for accredited media to cover the activities of the Conference.
- Press badges allow accredited media personnel to present themselves in the Media Center and to use the means of transport provided (sur badges will be granted to a limited number of media to cover the business forum and the final press conference).
- Press badges are issued to accredited media professionals according to the following schedule:
- **Tunisian media professionals:** press badges are delivered to them at the premises of the press office of the Presidency of the Government,
- **Foreign media professionals:** press badges are delivered to them at the TICAD8 office at Tunis Carthage International Airport.
- Press badges must be visible and worn at all times by accredited media professionals.
- The press badge is personal and can only be used by the accredited person.

II.4 The website: www.ticad8.tn

The Conference website is one of the privileged communication tools on which appear the daily media program, press releases, speeches, official documents, copyright-free photos of the host photographer and videos of the official events.

A mobile application will be set up before the Summit to facilitate access to the site.

III. The international Media Centre:

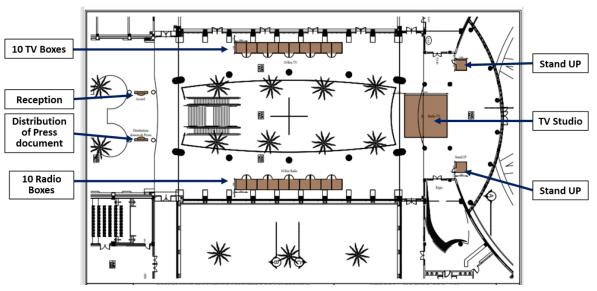




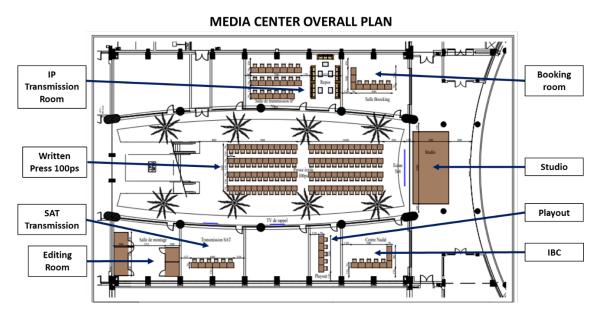
III.1 Media facilities

- A press conference room,
- A print media press area with wired and wifi internet access,
- 04 equipped stand up positions,
- 04 equipped video editing rooms,
- 02 equipped radio editing rooms,
- 01 room for play out,
- 01 space for media duplication,
- 02 radio studios,
- Transmission stations with permanent satellite transmission support (in KU band and C band) or occasional depending on booking and IP transmission on the internet,
- A monitoring Centre distribution for the internal info channel to follow the conference proceedings,
- 10 TV boxes (vanda) 2mx2m with 220V 50 HZ mains and SDI signal on BNC plugs,
- 10 radio boxes (vanda) with 220V 50 HZ mains and XLR audio signal and SDI signal on BNC plugs,
- All video signals are HD 1080-50i standard,
- All audio signals are AES/ANALOG standard,
- The mains is 220v -50hz with French standard 2P+T sockets,
- Photos and video clips related to the various activities of the Conference will be available on the official website
 www.ticad8.tn
- The Media Center will transmit the videos related to the various activities of the Conference live by satellite in KU band and C band as well as on the Internet (the transmission parameters are available on the official website **www.ticad8.tn** of the Conference media section

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III.2 Reception and Transportation

- An information desk will be set up at Tunis Carthage International Airport to assist and guide media professionals if necessary.
- A "Press" bus shuttle services will be available from August 22 to 30, 2022 to transport media professionals.
- Shuttles buses will connect the designated hotels where media personnel are staying to pick-up and drop-off as well as transfer to and from International Airport Tunis Carthage.

III.3 Accommodation

All accredited media professionals have to book and reserve for their own accommodation individually and at their own expense during the Conference period they are accordingly requested to contact directly among the hotels designated listed in the official website of the Conference:

Hotel name	Address	Website/E-mail	Category
Hôtel Africa El Mouradi;	50, avenue Habib Bourguiba Tunis	https://www.elmouradi.com/ cr2.resa/ui/aba/hotel_detail. aspx?id=722&user=869&ilng=1&curr=1	4*
Hôtel NOVOTEL- Mohamed v;	44, Avenue Mohamed V, Tunis 1002	https://all.accor.com/hotel/6145/index. fr.shtml	4 *
Hôtel El Mouradi Gammarth;	BP 597 Les côtes de Carthage Gammarth, La Marsa, 2070 Gammarth	https://www.elmouradi.com/cr2.resa/ui/ aba/hotel-descriptif-El%20Mouradi%20 Gammarth-Gammarth-Tunisie-751-869-1-1- showdate0.aspx	4*
Hôtel Carlton Tunis;	31, Avenue Habib Bourguiba, Tunis	https://www.hotelcarltontunis.com/fr/	4 *
Hôtel Excel Tunis;	35 Avenue Habib Bourguiba 1001 Bab El Bhar Tunis	excelhotels@planet.tn	3*
Hôtel Golden Tulip El Mechtel Tunis;	Avenue Ouled Haffouz El Omrane 1005 Tunis	https://el-mechtel.goldentulip.com/fr-fr/	4*
Hotel Le diplomate;	44 Avenue Hédi Chaker, Tunis, Tunis	https://www.diplomat-hotel-tunis.com/fr/	4*



III.4 Catering:

Media professionals have a restaurant and two (02) cafes (paying) at the Cité de la Culture. In addition, two (02) coffee breaks are offered by the organizers in the form of a buffet (10.00-11.00 and 15.00-16.00).

IV. Use of radio communication equipment:

Media personnel wishing to use radio communication equipment, frequencies in particular the use of microphones and wireless cameras or any other means of telecommunication during the Conference must first obtain authorization from the Tunisian government to borrow the radio frequencies requested.

For the clearance, it is necessary to complete the forms via the accreditation platform no later than 07 days before arrival.

For media that provide D-SNG mobile earth stations, must submit a request to the Independent High Authority for Audiovisual Communication HAICA and pay the ANF for the temporary use of the station on Tunisian soil.

An electronic form available in the accreditation section of the Conference website

V. The health protocol related to the transmission of Diseases with epidemic potential

V.1: Presentation

A health protocol will be put in place to guarantee the smooth running of the event and preserve the health and well-being of all participants. This health protocol will be adjusted according to the development of the epidemiological situation in the world and in Tunisia.

This health protocol includes two measures:

- General prevention measures in the different sites of the event,
- Specific measures to combat the transmission of COVID-19.

A. General measures

- Respect for physical distance;
- Obligation to wear a mask;
- Generalization of hydro-alcoholic gel dispensers in the spaces, Ventilation of the premises, Cleaning and disinfection of the premises dedicated to conference events,
- Display and reminder of barrier gestures to participants.

B. Specific measures

1/ Conditions of participation in the event:

- Obligation to present the vaccination passport COVID-19 (minimum two doses).
- For unvaccinated participants Obligation to present a negative PCR test for Covid-19, completed within 48 hours before boarding, or a negative TDR-Ag for covid-19, completed within 24 hours before boarding.
- Strong Recommendation to contract medical-travel assistance.



2/ Arrival at the airport:

- Passage of participants through the reception desk for event guests to facilitate health control procedures.
- Presentation of the vaccination passport OR the negative covid-19 test upon request.

3/ On the work places:

- Obligation to present the vaccination passport COVID-19.
- Daily Covid test (TDR-Ag) at check-in and wearing of health bracelet.
- Periodic ventilation, cleaning and disinfection of work places.
- For participants who test positive for Covid, spaces for isolation are provided on the sites of the works and dedicated means of medical transport will direct them to their places of accommodation where they will spend a period of 05 days of mandatory confinement in their hotel room, in case of complication they will be transferred to one of the hospitals in accordance with the procedure cited in chapter V.2.2 (coverage by their insurance travel).

Useful links:

http://www.santetunisie.rns.tn/en/

(Epidemiological situation and general preventive measures taken by the national committee for the fight against coronavirus)

https://onmne.tn/?page_id=6767&lang=en

(Epidemiological situation and general preventive measures taken by the national committee for the fight against coronavirus)

https://www.discovertunisia.com/en/tunisian-tourism-health-protocol

(The health protocol of Ministry of Tourism)

V.2- medical facilities, emergency contacts

Tunis has hospitals where guests and participants in the 8th edition of the Tokyo International Conference for African Development TICAD8 can receive care, if necessary. On- site medical centers and an ambulance service will be available to cover all the venues of this event 24 hours a day (according to the health coverage protocol applicable).

For guests and participants who are under medical treatment, they are required to bring their own medication and present a medical prescription in case of need for renewal.

Participants are responsible for all costs related to the use of health services (apart from emergency care provided at the event sites). Also, it is strongly recommended for all foreign delegates to obtain international medical insurance coverage with a reputable insurance company. this insurance coverage should take effect as soon as they leave their country of origin or their country of residence. It should include medical treatment in Tunis, medical evacuation and treatment outside Tunisia and repatriation to the country of residence if needed.

Emergencies contacts:

Tourist police: Tel. 197 Medical emergency: Tel. 190 Civil Protection: Tel. 198



VI. Visa and entry requirements

Any foreign national who enters Tunisia must hold a passport valid for at least 06 months prior to the date of entry and a valid visa when required. For countries with Tunisian consular services on their territories, it is advised to obtain a visa at least 15 days prior to travel.

For delegates from countries where there is no Tunisian diplomatic or consular representation on their territory, it will be possible to issue them a visa entrance on arrival to Tunis Carthage airport.

A certificate will be issued by the Tunisian embassy covering the country concerned confirming the granting of visas to the members of the delegation upon their arrival in Tunisia.

This certificate note does not guarantee, however, its acceptance by the airlines and the competent authorities of the countries of origin and those of transit.

In addition, and in order to expedite up the procedures and facilitate the receipt of visa application by Tunisian authorities, an email address has been dedicated for this purpose: **dfe1@interieur.gov.tn**

VII. Customs regulations

For Incoming Passengers

A) General rules

Personal effects are admitted without any formality and payment of duties and taxes, goods prohibited from importation as well as items subject to special authorization are mentioned on the following link:

- Goods prohibited from import and objects subject to special authorizations: https://www.douane.gov.tn/avez-vous-quelque-chose-a-declarer/)
- Pets:

https://www.douane.gov.tn/animaux-de-compagnie/

alcoholic beverages and cigarettes

https://www.douane.gov.tn/tabac-et-boissons-alcoolisees/

B) Currencies

Similarly, for cash, the amount of which, equals or exceeds 20.000 Tunisian dinars or its equivalent should be declared to the customs office at the airport on arrival, transit or departure.

Non-resident travelers are not allowed to re-export cash amount exceeding the equivalent of 5000 Tunisian dinars if not declared to the custom office on their arrival.

C) Temporary Import

To comply with the import customs regulations of the Government of the Republic of Tunisia, participants which are required to temporarily import goods of an official nature for the Conference (exhibition objects, samples, etc...) are required to contact their embassy in advance at the latest one month before the Conference.

Non-resident persons of foreign nationality, whose duration of stay in Tunisia did not exceed 3 months, benefit from the reimbursement of value added tax (VAT) for their acquisitions on the local market, the refund of the VAT amount is made by bank transfer.

Detailed information on the customs legislation in force is available on the website of the General Directorate of Customs **www.douanes.gov.tn** Or application **smart traveller**



VIII. Contacts

Web site of the Conference: www.ticad8.tn

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