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### INTRODUCTION

### **About OIC**

The Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) (formerly Organization of the Islamic Conference) is the second largest inter-governmental organization after the United Nations which has membership of 57 states spread over four continents. The Organization is the collective voice of the Muslim world and ensuring to safeguard and protect the interests of the Muslim world in the spirit of promoting international peace and harmony among various people of the world. The Organization was established upon a decision of the historical summit which took place in Rabat, Kingdom of Morocco on 12th Rajab 1389 Hijra (25 September 1969) as a result of criminal arson of Al-Aqsa Mosque in occupied Jerusalem.

### **About SESRIC**

The Center was established in pursuance of Resolution No.2/8-EC adopted by the Eighth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Tripoli, in 1399H. (1977). It is a subsidiary organ of the OIC. The Centre started its activities in Ankara on 1 June 1978.

The basic mandate drawn up for SESRIC is threefold:

- To collate, process and disseminate socio-economic statistics and information on and for the utilisation of the member countries,
- To study and evaluate the economic and social developments in the member countries to help generate proposals that will initiate and enhance co-operation among them, and
- To organise training programmes in selected fields geared to the needs of the member countries as well as to the general objectives of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation.



### ABOUT WORKSHOP

SESRIC will organise a workshop on "Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) in OIC Member Countries: Needs and Capacity Assessment" in collaboration with UNDP IICPSD and the Association of Education for the Future (GED) in Ankara, Turkey on 9-11 May 2016.

The purpose of the workshop is to discuss the current situation of the technical and vocational education and training in OIC Member Countries, as well as challenges and problems faced by TVET institutions to provide necessary skills and competencies needed for the market. The workshop will also develop proposals for improving the quality of TVET systems in line with the Sustainable Development Goals of 2030 Agenda. The workshop will be attended by the top managers of TVET authorities of OIC Member Countries, as well as representatives of regional, international and OIC institutions, and NGOs.

The workshop on "Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) in OIC Member Countries: Needs and Capacity Assessment" will mainly focus on the following areas:

- National qualification, accreditation, and certification framework,
- Occupational standards and modular training programmes,
- Vocational training and labour market.

### **Working Language of the Workshop**

The Workshop will be conducted mainly in English and simultaneous translation will be provided among Arabic, English, and French.



### **MEETING DATE and VENUE**

The conference will take place on 9-11 May 2016, in Ankara, Turkey at **Mövenpick Hotel Ankara**.

### Mövenpick Hotel Ankara

Bestepeler Mah Yasam Cad No.1 Sogutozu | 06520 Ankara | Turkey

Tel: +90-312-258 58 00

http://www.movenpick.com/



→A brochure including information about shopping areas, sightseeing and other hotels can be accessed via:

https://www.insightguides.com/destinations/europe/turkey/ankara/overview

→You can also find some essential information about Ankara on the official tourism portal of Turkey:

https://goturkey.com/en/city/detail/Ankara



### **ACCOMMODATION**

### **Mövenpick Hotel Ankara**

Address	Room Price	
Bestepeler Mah Yasam Cad No.1	Single Room	Double Room
Sogutozu   06520 Ankara   Turkey	85 EURO + VAT (8%)	100 EURO+ VAT (8%)
Telephone: +90 312 258 58 00		
Email: hotel.ankara@movenpick.com		
Website: <a href="http://www.movenpick.com/">http://www.movenpick.com/</a>		

For self-paid participants, it should be reminded that workshop rates are only valid for a limited number of rooms. Hence, the rate will not be guaranteed for late applications. Self-paid participants are required to contact <a href="mailto:event@sesric.org">event@sesric.org</a> in advance by providing full name, room type, date and time of check-in and check-out, flight numbers and contact details.

If your accommodation is covered by SESRIC, kindly let us know in case of any accompanying person or family member to share the same room with you to make the necessary arrangement. Please note that, the price for room difference will be paid by you to the hotel reception. If you wish to stay longer, please be informed that you have to cover your own expenses on those extra days. You are kindly requested to follow the check-in and check-out times of the hotel and kindly inform the hotel in case you need extra time especially for check-out.

For other hotel options in relative proximity to the meeting venue, you can visit  $\underline{\text{https://goo.gl/NMXOt1}}$  and check popular web sites such as  $\underline{\text{www.booking.com}}$ ,  $\underline{\text{www.expedia.com}}$ ,  $\underline{\text{www.hotels.com}}$ ,  $\underline{\text{www.orbitz.com}}$ .



### REGISTRATION AFTER ARRIVAL

### **Registration Desk**

Registration Desk will be established in the meeting venue.

### **Boarding Passes**

Participants covered by SESRIC should keep their boarding passes throughout their trips. Boarding passes will be collected at the registration desk and return boarding passes will be requested as scanned copy once at the end of the return trip.

### **Badges:**

Please fill out the sign-in sheet and pick up your badge at the information desk on the day of the meeting. The identification badges should be worn by all participants throughout the meeting. You will be guided by staff at the information desk to the conference room.

### **TRAVEL**

### **Visa Requirements**

Please check <a href="http://www.mfa.gov.tr/visa-information-for-foreigners.en.mfa">http://www.mfa.gov.tr/visa-information-for-foreigners.en.mfa</a> if any visa is required for the passport type you hold. If a visa is required for entry into Turkey, the official invitation letter is generally sufficient to be used as supporting documentation.

### **TRANSPORTATION**

Airport transfer will be provided from Ankara Esenboga Airport to hotel and vice versa according to your departure and arrival times. When you arrive at the international hall, after passport control and baggage pick-up, a person will be waiting for you with SESRIC sign or your name. Do not leave the airport until you meet the pick-up person.

In case of any inconvenience, please call Mr. Orxan Nadirov: 0090 543 5433993



### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **Currency and ATMs**

The official currency of Turkey is Turkish Lira (TRY). All payments on the territory of Turkey must be done in TRY. The local banks and exchange offices in Istanbul provide foreign currency exchange service. But it will be hard to exchange money during the meeting hours due to the meeting schedule. Hence, we strongly advise you to use foreign exchange facilities of the airport. It is also possible to use the ATMs located in banks, hotels, large shopping centers.

The current exchange rates are approximately around:

Currency	USD/TRY	EURO/TRY		
(as of 28 April 2016)	2.81	3.22		

### **Credit Cards**

Major credit cards, such as Visa and MasterCard are accepted at hotels, restaurants, shops, etc. However, some restaurants and small shops accept cash payments only so it's recommended to have some cash in Turkish Liras with you.



### Climate



To avoid from any unexpected weather condition, please check the weather forecast before coming.

http://www.mgm.gov.tr/en-US/forecast-cities.aspx?m=Ankara

### **Electricity**

Turkey operates on 220 volts, 50 Hz, with round-prong European-style plugs that fit into recessed wall sockets / points.

### **Emergency Numbers**

Ambulance: 112 Police: 155 Fire: 110



### **Prayer Rooms and Times**

Praying facilities (Men and Women Masjid) will be available at the venue throughout the conference.

All rooms in the hotel have praying rugs and Qiblah directions.

Date	Fajr	Shuruq	Dhuhr	Asr	Maghreb	Ishaa	Qiblah Time
08.05.2016	03:53	05:34	12:52	16:42	19:58	21:31	12:12
09.05.2016	03:51	05:32	12:52	16:42	19:59	21:32	12:12
10.05.2016	03:49	05:31	12:52	16:42	20:00	21:34	12:13
11.05.2016	03:48	05:30	12:52	16:43	20:01	21:35	12:13
12.05.2016	03:46	05:29	12:52	16:43	20:02	21:36	12:13



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