



West Asia Regional Foresight Workshop

19 - 20 November 2023, Kuwait

INFORMATION NOTE

Opening and Registration

West Asia regional foresight workshop will be held at the Kuwait University in the Shadadeyah Campus in Kuwait, from Sunday, 19 November, to Monday, 20 November 2023. Participant registration is open at 8:30 a.m. and the workshop will start at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, 19 November 2023.

Venue

The workshop will be held at Kuwait University in the Shadadeyah Campus:

https://maps.app.goo.gl/sTSL75KTW5KQ7mpa7

Working language

The meeting will be held in English.

Workshop Documents

Documents will be circulated to workshop participants via email within 1 week of the workshop. In order to minimize the environmental footprint of the workshop and in line with the UN policy towards greener meetings, participants are kindly reminded to bring their own copies of the workshop documents, or to use paperless versions, as there will be no hard copies of the workshop documents made available on site during the workshop. WIFI access will also be provided.

Travel arrangements / tickets

UNEP / West Asia Office will secure economy class travel tickets for the covered participants according to the UN rules and regulations.

Visa information

Participants who required entry visa to Kuwait are requested to send a clear copy of their valid passport and the university degree to the organizers, Ms. Awatif Abdulla from UNEP/West Asia Office <u>Awatif.abdulla@un.org</u> will assist in this process.

Hotel information

Below is a list of recommended hotels with special UN rates.

<u>Awatif.abdulla@un.org</u> will assist with your bookings if needed, please confirm as soon as possible to do the needful.

Shuttle bus will be provided from/to the venue free by these hotels (in case of 10 rooms bookings).

Hotel name	Price (in KWD)
Crowne Plaza Kuwait Al Thuraya, an IHG Hotel	50
Hilton Garden Inn (mostly recommended) as connected with the	45
Avenues mall with a shuttle bus	
Holiday Inn Kuwait Al Thuraya, IHG Hotel	40

Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA)

The standard DSA rate for Kuwait as of July 2023 is US\$ 317 equivalents to KWD.98

Financial Implications

UNEP / West Asia Office will be responsible to cover the cost of participation (air ticket, DSA and terminal allowance) and travel logistical arrangements, including visas for the participants according to the UN rules and regulations.

Weather and time zone information

Kindly check the <u>following site</u> for weather forecast.

Time zone for Kuwait is UTC +3 Arabia Standard Time (AST).

Electricity

In Kuwait, type G plugs and sockets are the official standard. Like the rest of the Arabian Peninsula, Kuwait has standardized on the British plug and outlet system.



Workshop Focal Points and contact information

Should you have any other inquiries regarding this workshop please contact:

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