



FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE - Secretariat CONVENTION - CADRE SUR LES CHANGEMENTS CLIMATIQUES - Secrétariat

UNFCCC technical workshop on advancing the integration of approaches to adaptation planning

Bangkok, Thailand

12 to 14 October 2009

INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

CONFERENCE VENUE:

The meeting will take place in the United Nations Conference Centre (UNCC) of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP).

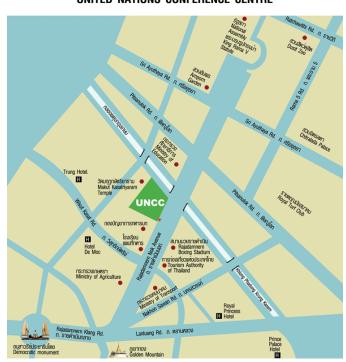
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Please visit the following web-site for additional information on the Conference venue: http://www.unescap.org/uncc/

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TRANSPORTATION FROM THE SUVARNABHUMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT:

Alternative transportation than Sky Train and Underground includes airport limousine and registered taxis. Please visit the following web-site: http://www.suvarnabhumiairport.com/ for more information.

HOTEL NEAR THE CONFERENCE VENUE:

Within walking distance to ESCAP is the Royal Princess Hotel. Please visit http://www.dusit.com/hotels/thailand/bangkok/royal_princess_larn_luang/index.html for more information. Reservations should be made directly with the hotel (dpllreservations@dusit.com).

For further information on hotels in Bangkok, please visit: http://www.sawadee.com.

VISA REQUIREMENTS:

Please see the following website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Thailand regarding visa related issues: <www.mfa.go.th/web/2637.php>. Please find a list of Thailand Embassies and Consulates at http://www.thaiembassy.org/>.

REGISTRATION:

Participants are required to register and obtain identification badges prior to the opening of the meeting on Monday, 12 October from 8:15 to 9:15 a.m. For this purpose, a registration counter will be set up in front of the meeting room to be announced in the entrance of the UNCC.

DSA PAYMENT FOR FUNDED PARTICIPANTS:

All funded participants: Please bring your passport, flight ticket and boarding passes with you to the meeting. These documents need to be copied in order to make the DSA payment.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS:

The Ministry of Public Health has issued regulations that applicants who have travelled from or through the countries which have been declared Yellow Fever Infected Areas must provide an International Health Certificate proving that they have received a Yellow Fever vaccination.

The International Health Certificate must be submitted together with the visa application form. The traveller will also have to present the said certificate to the Immigration Officer upon arrival at the port of entry in the Kingdom. As for those nationals of the countries listed below but who have not travelled from/through those countries, such a certificate is not required. However, they should possess concrete evidence showing that their domicile is not in an infected area so as to prevent unnecessary inconvenience.

A list of countries which are declared yellow fever infected areas is available on the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Thailand at http://www.mfa.go.th/web/2482.php?id=2494.

FURTHER INFORMATION:

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OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

Geography:

Thailand is situated in the heart of the Southeast Asian mainland, covering an area of 513,115 square kilometers, and extends about 1,620 kilometers from north to south and 775 kilometers from east to west. Thailand borders the Lao People's Democratic Republic and the Union of Myanmar to the North, the Kingdom of Cambodia and the Gulf of Thailand to the East, the Union of Myanmar and the Indian Ocean to the West, and Malaysia to the south.

Official language:

The official language in Thailand is Thai. However, English are widely spoken and understood in most hotels and restaurants.

Time zone:

Standard time zone: UTC/GMT +7 hours; no daylight saving time.

Weather information:

Climatic Table											
Average Daytime Temperature (°C) - Central Thailand											
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
30	31	34	36	35	33	32	33	32	32	31	30
Average Rainfall (cm) - Central Thailand											
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
1.0	2.5	3.5	6.0	8.0	14.5	16.5	17.5	30.0	21.0	7.0	0.5

Electricity:

220 volts, 50 Hertz [two-pin, flat and vertical, connection].

Emergency Telephone Numbers:

- Central Emergency (Police, Ambulance, Fire): 191
- Highway Patrol: 1193
- Tourist Police (English, French and German spoken): 1155
- Tourism Authority of Thailand (TAT) Call Centre: 1672
- Ambulance (BKK): +02252-2171-5

Currency:

The Thai currency is the Thai Baht (TB).

1 Baht = 100 satangs

Bank Notes: 20, 50, 100, 500, 1,000 Baht, Coins: 1, 5, and 10 Baht.

The official exchange rate as of 7 August 2009 is

US\$ 1.00 = Baht 33.9381 and 1.00 Euro = 48.8457 Baht.

Currencies can be exchanged at local banks and hotels or in local money changers around the city.

Credit Cards:

Credit cards are widely accepted.

International country code:

Thailand: +66, Bangkok area code: 2.

Tipping:

Tipping is not a usual practice in Thailand although it is becoming more common. Most hotels and restaurants add a 10% service charge to the bill. Taxi drivers do not require a tip, but the gesture is appreciated and 10 to 20 Baht is acceptable for porters.

