International Conference on Human Rights Approach to Conflict Situations in the Arab Region
20 - 21 February 2017
Sheraton Grand Doha Hotel, Doha, Qatar

Logistical Note

Distinguished participants,

We are pleased to provide you with the following information for organizational and logistical arrangements of the conference:

Hotel Accommodation/ Terms and Conditions:
Participants shall stay at the Sheraton Hotel, Doha, which it is located about 25 minutes from the airport.

Hotel: Sheraton Grand Doha Resort & Convention Hotel
Phone: (+974) 44854444
Website: http://www.sheratongranddoha.com

Upon arrival at the hotel, participants are advised to go to the conference reception desk in the lobby to register and receive room keys.
For participants, organizers shall cover hotel accommodation from the 19 to 22 February.

All rooms include Internet access. Your complimentary stay extends to 3 meals at the Alhabara Restaurant in the Sheraton Hotel as well as QR 75 net per person per day for laundry services.
Please note that you may be required to show a credit card or leave a deposit for procedural purposes and hotel requirements.

Additional expenses shall be at the expense of the participants staying in the hotel: (including phone calls, room service, drinks inside and outside rooms... etc.)

**The Sheraton Doha Hotel location:**

![Map of Sheraton Doha Hotel](image)

**Flight tickets:**

Airline tickets will be issued to all participants who have confirmed their participation based on information contained in the Registration Form submitted by them; return tickets shall be issued to the same country of departure mentioned at the registration form. Electronic airline tickets including booking reference number are sent via email to addresses mentioned at the registration forms. Participants must make sure their names and other details match entries on the registration Form.
Visas:

Organizers are responsible for the submission of documents required for the issuance of visas and follow-up with the competent authorities in Doha. Once E-Visas are issued, they shall be sent to participants via e-mail or fax.

For any inquiries about visas, kindly contact the National Human Rights Committee at the information provided below.

Reception and departure procedures to and from the airport:

Participants will be assisted by organizers' representatives who will be stationed at Hamad International Airport in Doha prior to participants' scheduled arrival times where participants shall be received by a representative and escorted directly to the hotel. There will be English and Arabic-speaking volunteers stationed at the airport and hotel to provide assistance.

For departure, arrangements for pick-up and drop off to the airport will be made at least two hours prior to the scheduled departure time. Please coordinate with the conference desk at the lobby.

Transportation to and from the airport is a complimentary service provided to participants by the NHRC.
Weather:

Qatar typical weather is mild with temperature at 26 °C. Light clothing would be appropriate.

Foreign Currency:

The local currency is the Qatari Riyal (QAR). The Riyal is at a fixed rate with the US Dollar (USD) at approximately (1 USD = 3.64 QAR). Currency exchange facilities are available at the airport and hotel reception. Please note that ID is required for currency exchange of any sort.

Electricity Supply:

The standard electricity supply is 220-240V. Please note that adapters may be needed.
**Places to Visit:**

**City Center Mall:** just five minutes walking distance from the hotel.

City Center provides a wide variety of famous international, regional and local retail brands and services, spread across the five floors. City Center Doha also features a range of family oriented offerings which include a 14 screen cinema complex, a bowling alley and an ice rink, 38 restaurants and a family entertainment Center. Visitors also have the chance to witness a range of spectacular functions, variety of shows, and seasonal events and activities targeting different age groups.

**Souq Waqif:** takes 10 minutes from the hotel by car.

Souq Waqif is one of the oldest souqs in Qatar. It has been an important souk for the people for centuries; first for the Bedouin, now, the tourists.

**The Museum of Islamic Art:** takes 10 minutes from the hotel by car.

The Museum of Islamic Art (MIA) represents Islamic art from three continents over 1,400 years. Its collection includes metal work, ceramics, jewelers, wood work, textiles and glass,
obtained from three continents and dating from the 7th to the 19th century.

The museum houses a collection of works gathered since the late 1980s, including manuscripts, textiles and ceramics. It is one of the world’s most complete collections of Islamic artifacts, with items originating in Spain, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Turkey, India, and Central Asia.

**Katara:** takes 15 minutes from the hotel by car.

Katara was born out of a long held vision to position the State of Qatar as a cultural beacon a lighthouse of art, radiating in the Middle East through theatre, literature, music, visual art, conventions and exhibitions. This village shall be a glimpse of the future of a world where people of different cultural backgrounds overcome their national boundaries and embrace common causes to promote a united humanity. Katara is where the grace of the past meets the splendor of the future.

**The Pearl-Qatar:** takes 15 minutes away from the hotel by car.

The Pearl-Qatar is a man-made island off the West Bay coast featuring Mediterranean-style yacht-lined marinas, residential towers, villas and hotels, as well as luxury shopping at top brand name boutiques and showrooms.
A popular dining spot, its waterfront promenades are lined with cafes and restaurants serving every taste – from a refreshing ice cream to a five-star dining experience. The Pearl is a popular visitor attraction by virtue of its chic elegance, inviting description as the ‘Arabian Riviera’.

**Registration procedures and conference activities:**

Registration at the conference and documents receipt will be upon arrival at the airport; there shall be a special office located at the hotel lobby for the conference reception and registration. For participants who don't register at the conference and receive the related documents, they are advised to contact conference secretariat desk located at the hotel on 20\2\2017, starting from 08:00 am – 09:00 am.

**Conference Venue:**

The conference will take place at Al Dafna Ballroom at 08:30 am.

**Language of the conference:** We will be providing simultaneous translation in Arabic and English in all conference sessions and workshops.

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