Asia-Pacific Regional Action Programme for Air Pollution
High-Level Forum on Clean Air
2-3 March 2023, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

INFORMATION NOTE

General

The High-Level Forum on Clean Air is being jointly organized by the Ministry of Environment and Tourism of Mongolia and the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) on 2-3 March 2023 in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. This forum is being organized in support of operationalizing the Asia-Pacific Regional Action Programme on Air Pollution (RAPAP), adopted by member States at the 7th session of the ESCAP Committee on Environment and Development, held 29 November-1 December 2022.

The venue of the meeting is Shangri-La Ulaanbaatar, 19, Olympic Street 1, Ulaanbaatar 14241, Tel: 7702-9999.

The Opening session will be held on 2 March at Shangri-La Ulaanbaatar from 09:30-10:00 hours. Registration of participants attending in person will take place at the meeting venue 08:30-09:30 hours on 2 March.

The time zone for Ulaanbaatar (ULAT) is UTC+8.

Documentation and working language of the meetings

All materials prepared for the meetings, including updated agenda, will be made available on the ESCAP Environment and Development website: https://www.unescap.org/events/High-Level-Forum-Clean-Air

The meetings will be conducted in English and Mongolian.

Visa Requirements

Participants travelling to Ulaanbaatar are advised to obtain appropriate entry visa, if required, prior to arrival in Ulaanbaatar. Foreign nationals who wish to visit Mongolia must obtain appropriate type of visa corresponding to the purpose of their visit. Nationals of those countries which have concluded visa exemption agreements with Mongolia are not required to obtain a visa if the intended period of the visit is not beyond the period allowed under such arrangements. For more information, please see “LIST OF VISA FREE COUNTRIES” at https://en.consul.mn/visa/c/83.

In order to apply for a visa, you must submit your visa application at the nearest Mongolian diplomatic mission (Embassy/Consulate) abroad. Location and contact information of the diplomatic missions can be found on the following link https://en.consul.mn/news/c/28.
Download visa application form:
- Temporary visitor for up to 90 days

NOTE:
Normal processing time for a visa application is 3 working days. Depending on the visa application documents submitted, some visa applications may require up to 5-10 working days to process. Therefore, we suggest for you to contact the embassy to inquire on the visa processing times before confirming your travel arrangements.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR OBTAINING A MONGOLIAN VISA
- Completed application form;
- Passport in original (must be valid for a minimum of six months before your intended travel to Mongolia);
- 3.5×4.5cm photo (the size of the photo is mandatory);
- Proof of visa fee payment (the fee is non-refundable);

ON ARRIVAL VISA INFORMATION
- If the Visa permission* by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia is issued, you are eligible to obtain on-arrival visa at the airport in Ulaanbaatar or Mongolian border points;
  * Visa permission must be applied by a person/entity that is inviting you to Mongolia prior to your expected arrival.

Please find more information about Mongolian visa from visa-total (immigration.gov.mn).

Hotel Accommodations

Participants are responsible for booking their own rooms and are requested to contact the hotel well in advance. Any cancellations, postponements or other changes should be reported to the hotel. There are two recommended hotels by the host Government.

  Ms. Uugantsetseg, E-mail: uugantsetseg.baljinnyam@shangri-la.com Tel: +976-8802-9782. For special room rate, please mention that you are the participants of the High-Level Forum on Clean Air on 2-3 March 2023.

- Blue Sky Hotel, [https://hotelbluesky.mn/](https://hotelbluesky.mn/)
  Ms. Alisa, Blue, Email: dosm@hotelbluesky.mn, Tel: +976-8000-5566, +976-7010-0505 (about 10 minutes walk to Shangri-La Ulaanbaatar)

Before departure from Ulaanbaatar, all meeting participants should settle all their accounts directly with their hotel for any expenses incurred.

COVID-19 Vaccination Requirements

Travellers to Mongolia are not required to obtain pre-testing. Certificates of vaccination are not required for entry but travellers are encouraged to bring proof of vaccinations. No quarantine is required for all travellers. The latest report can be found here [https://www.who.int/mongolia/internal-publications-detail/covid-19-situation-report-for-mongolia-125](https://www.who.int/mongolia/internal-publications-detail/covid-19-situation-report-for-mongolia-125)
Airport transfers

The Ministry of Environment and Tourism will arrange airport transfers for all participants. To facilitate transportation, the participants should communicate their arrival and departure details, including airlines/flight numbers to battsetseg@met.gov.mn by 28 February 2023.

Meals

Lunch and coffee will be provided during the days of the meetings.

The Ministry of Environment and Tourism will host a dinner for participants on 2 March 2023.

Weather

Weather in Ulaanbaatar in March is cold, with temperatures expected between [-5°C and -25°C]. Participants are advised to ensure travel with appropriate clothing.

Local currency

The local currency is the Mongolia Tugrik (MNT). As of 31 December 2022, the official United Nations exchange is approximately MNT 3,424 to 1 US dollar.

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