Information for participants*

I. General


2. The Regional Learning Platform will commence at 15.30 hours on Wednesday, 29 March 2017 at Meeting Room G. Prior to the learning platform’s opening session, participants are requested to attend the Asia-Pacific Forum on Sustainable Development which will start at 0900 hours on Wednesday, 29 March 2017 at Conference Room 2, second floor of UNCC. More details about the APFSD may be accessed from: http://www.unescap.org/events/apfsd4.

II. Registration and identification badges

3. Advance online registration is mandatory in line with the standard United Nations security procedures to facilitate security clearance. Participants are requested to register online at http://meetings.unescap.org/events/apfsd2017/ no later than 26 March 2017. Participants are encouraged to submit their photo in advance in order to speed up the registration process.

4. Upon arrival at UNCC, please obtain your meeting badges with photo at the registration counter, located on
the ground floor, UNCC, from 0800 hours to 0900 hours on the opening day of the event. Participants who are not able to register during the time indicated above are requested to do so upon their arrival at UNCC before going to the conference room. Only the names of duly registered participants will be included in the list of participants.

5. For identification and security reasons, all participants are requested to wear their meeting badges at all time during meetings and social functions in the United Nations complex. The loss of a meeting badge should be communicated to the Conference Management Unit, located on the ground floor of UNCC behind the registration counter, so that a new one can be issued immediately.

III. Visa requirements

6. Participants are REQUIRED to obtain an appropriate entry visa from a Thai Embassy or Thai Consulate before entering Thailand, EXCEPT for nationals of countries listed below.

List of countries and territories entitled for visa exemption and visa on arrival

A. Ordinary passport

Visa exemption for a maximum of 14 days

1. Cambodia
2. Myanmar (international airports only)

Visa exemption for a maximum of 30 days

1. Australia
2. Austria
3. Bahrain
4. Belgium
5. Brunei Darussalam
6. Canada
7. Czech Republic
8. Denmark
9. Estonia
10. Finland
11. France
12. Germany
13. Greece
14. Hong Kong, China
15. Hungary
16. Iceland
17. Indonesia
18. Ireland
19. Israel
20. Italy
21. Japan
22. Australia
23. Austria
24. Bahrain
25. Belgium
26. Brunei Darussalam
27. Canada
28. Czech Republic
29. Denmark
30. Estonia
31. Finland
32. France
33. Germany
34. Greece
35. Hong Kong, China
36. Hungary
37. Iceland
38. Indonesia
39. Ireland
40. Israel
41. Italy
42. Japan
43. Australia
44. Austria
45. Bahrain
46. Belgium
47. Brunei Darussalam
48. Canada
49. Czech Republic
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53. France
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96. Germany
97. Greece
98. Hong Kong, China
99. Hungary
100. Iceland
101. Indonesia
102. Ireland
103. Israel
104. Italy
105. Japan
22. Kuwait
23. Lao People’s Democratic Republic
24. Liechtenstein
25. Luxembourg
26. Macao, China

Visa exemption for a maximum of 90 days

1. Argentina
2. Brazil
3. Chile
4. Peru
5. Republic of Korea

B. Diplomatic/Official Passport

Visa exemption for a maximum of 30 days

1. Brunei Darussalam
2. Cambodia
3. China
4. Ecuador
5. Hong Kong, China
6. Indonesia
7. Lao People’s Democratic Republic
8. Macao, China
9. Mongolia
10. Myanmar
11. Oman
12. Pakistan (diplomatic passport only)
13. Singapore
14. Viet Nam

Visa exemption for a maximum of 90 days

1. Albania
2. Argentina
3. Austria
4. Belgium
5. Bhutan
6. Brazil
7. Chile
8. Colombia
9. Costa Rica
10. Croatia
11. Czech Republic
12. Estonia (diplomatic passport only)
13. France (diplomatic passport only)
14. Germany
15. Hungary
16. India
17. Israel
18. Italy
19. Japan
20. Liechtenstein
21. Luxembourg
22. Malaysia
23. Mexico
24. Montenegro (as of 31 October 2015)
25. Nepal
26. Netherlands
27. Panama
28. Peru
29. Philippines
30. Poland
31. Republic of Korea
32. Romania
33. Russian Federation
34. Slovakia
35. South Africa
36. Spain (diplomatic passport only)
37. Sri Lanka
38. Switzerland
39. Tajikistan
40. Tunisia
41. Turkey
42. Ukraine
43. Uruguay

C. Visa on arrival (for a maximum of 15 days)

1. Andorra
2. Bhutan
3. Bulgaria
4. China
5. Cyprus
6. Ethiopia
7. India
8. Maldives
9. Malta
10. Mauritius
11. Romania
12. San Marino
13. Saudi Arabia
14. Taiwan Province of China
8. Kazakhstan
9. Latvia
10. Lithuania

Updated as of 26 October 2015 by the Department of Consular Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Thailand

7. Participants holding UN Laissez-Passer (UNLP) travelling on official business to Thailand are REQUIRED to obtain appropriate visa before entering.

8. To apply for an appropriate entry visa to Thailand, participants are required to contact the respective Thai Embassy/Consulate for accurate information regarding to their visa application procedures and required documents. The list of Thai Embassies/Consulates can be found at www.thaiembassy.org.

9. Participants who may wish to apply for a visa outside of their country of residence or reside in a country where there is no Thai Embassy/Consulate should check the location where it is possible for them to apply for a Thai visa. Please note that certain nationalities, for security reasons, are not allowed to apply for a visa elsewhere except at the Thai Embassy/Consulate that has jurisdiction over the territory. For more information, please consult with your meeting organizer.

10. Participants who may need further assistance from ESCAP on their visa application should contact their meeting organizer in order to coordinate with the Visa and Shipment Unit, Division of Administration, ESCAP for necessary actions.

11. Participants who wish to apply for a visa on arrival at Suvarnabhumi International Airport or at Don Mueang International Airport should follow the requirements below:

    (a) The applicant must be in possession of a passport with the validity of at least six months and a valid return ticket with date of departure within 15 days of the date of entry;

    (b) The applicant must fill out an application form, which is available at the Visa-on-Arrival counter at the airport, supply one recent passport-sized photograph and a fee of 1,000 baht.

    NOTE: The information provided above is accurate as of December 2015. All participants are advised to consult with the Royal Thai Embassy/Consulate in their respective countries regarding the latest applicable immigration requirements prior to their departure to Thailand.

12. Furthermore, in line with security procedure for United Nations staff, travel notification through the Travel Request Information Process (TRIP) is required prior to any official travel to a non-phase area. Upon notification of travel on TRIP, United Nations staff members will automatically receive an updated
security advice for United Nations visitors to Thailand. Please visit https://dss.un.org to apply for this travel notification. United Nations staff are required to complete the “BASIC SECURITY IN THE FIELD” training before travelling.

IV. Weather

13. The weather in Bangkok is usually warm and humid. Light tropical clothing would be appropriate. The conference rooms where the meetings are to be held are air-conditioned and the temperature is maintained in the range of 23-24 degrees Celsius (73-75 degrees Fahrenheit).

V. Health and vaccination

14. Upon arrival at the port of entry in Thailand, participants who are nationals of or have traveled from/through countries listed below which have been declared yellow fever infected areas must provide an International Health Certificate proving that they have received a valid yellow fever vaccination at the Health Control Office upon arrival before proceeding to immigration. A valid vaccination certificate means that the vaccine was administered at least 10 days prior to travel to the affected country. The International Health Certificate must also be submitted together with the visa application form.

15. The countries/areas listed below have been declared yellow fever infected areas:

1. Angola  
2. Argentina  
3. Benin  
4. Bolivia  
5. Brazil  
6. Burkina Faso  
7. Burundi  
8. Cameroon  
9. Central African Republic  
10. Chad  
11. Colombia  
12. Congo  
13. Cote d’Ivoire  
14. Democratic Republic of the Congo  
15. Ecuador  
16. Equatorial Guinea  
17. Ethiopia  
18. French Guiana  
19. Gabon  
20. Gambia  
21. Ghana  
22. Guinea  
23. Guinea-Bissau  
24. Guyana  
25. Kenya  
26. Liberia  
27. Mali  
28. Mauritania  
29. Niger  
30. Nigeria  
31. Panama  
32. Paraguay  
33. Peru  
34. Rwanda  
35. Sao Tome and Principe  
36. Senegal  
37. Sierra Leone  
38. Somalia  
39. Sudan  
40. Suriname  
41. Tanzania  
42. Togo  
43. Trinidad and Tobago  
44. Uganda  
45. Venezuela

16. Thailand is currently experiencing ongoing sporadic transmission of the mosquito-borne Zika virus. All travelers are advised to protect themselves from mosquito bites while in Thailand. Given possible transmission of the disease to unborn
babies, pregnant women should consider postponing travel to Thailand or talk to their doctor about the implications of traveling to Thailand during this time.

17. In addition to the above, Medical Services Division at headquarters advises that pregnant United Nations personnel should not undertake duty travel or be relocated to countries/areas where local transmission of Zika virus is known to occur. Women who are seeking pregnancy should obtain individual advice from their medical practitioner on risk management regarding their plans to travel into a Zika-affected area. For further information, please read the attached Zika virus FAQ.

18. First-aid and emergency medical service is available at the Medical Centre, which is located on the ground floor of UNCC, during weekdays. The ESCAP Medical Officer and Nurse are available from 0730 to 1545 hours, with the exception of lunch time from 1200 to 1245 hours. Appointments may be made through extensions 1352 or 1761.

19. The United Nations buildings are smoke-free areas. Smoking is permitted only in the designated areas outside of the buildings.

VI. Foreign currency declaration

20. Any person who brings into or takes out of Thailand an aggregate amount of foreign currency exceeding US$20,000 or its equivalent shall declare the amount to a customs official. Failure to make such a declaration or making any false declaration to a customs official is a criminal offence.

21. Currency exchange facilities are available at hotels and all over Bangkok. Such services are also available at the Siam Commercial Bank, United Nations Branch, which is located on the 1st floor of the Service Building (telephone extension 2168). The branch is open from 0830 to 1530 hours, with no lunch break, from Monday to Friday.

VII. Airline reservations

22. Many international airlines operate regular services to and from Bangkok. Participants are advised to secure their return bookings prior to their departure for Bangkok. If this is not possible, they should make firm return bookings immediately upon arrival in Bangkok. Travel services are available through the American Express office located on the 4th floor of the Service Building.

VIII. Hotel accommodation

23. The following hotels, located relatively close to ESCAP, have been designated as recommended hotels for which the room rates indicated below are inclusive of service charge and value added tax.
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<sup>a</sup> Inclusive of daily American breakfast, service charge and
government tax.

b. Complimentary transport services provided according to fixed schedules, from the hotel to UNCC in the morning and back to the hotel in the evening.

c. Free Internet access.

* Hotel Dé Moc has one way transfer from hotel to UNCC.

24. Participants are requested to contact the hotel directly at least 10 working days in advance and provide the participant’s full name, date and time of check-in and check-out, flight numbers and contact details.

25. Rooms are available to participants on a first-come, first-served basis. Any cancellations, postponements or other changes should be notified to the hotel at least 48 hours in advance. Rooms not occupied in accordance with the latest advice will be held for 24 hours at the participant’s expense and then released.

26. The rates provided in the table are as of December 2015 and subject to change without notice. Please confirm the room rates with the hotel directly.

IX. Payment of hotel accounts

27. Before departure from Bangkok, participants should settle directly with the respective hotels all accounts, including room charges and other expenses, such as for local and long-distance telephone calls, Internet use, business center use, laundry, room and hotel transportation services, mini-bar items, as well as restaurant and bar services. Participants are also responsible for any charges incurred with respect to rooms remaining vacant owing to late arrival or rescheduled departure for which inadequate prior notice is given.

X. Transport from and to Airport

28. Participants should make their own transportation arrangements from Suvarnabhumi Airport to their respective hotels. Limousine, metered-taxi and bus services are readily available at the airport. Detailed information about Suvarnabhumi Airport can be found at www.suvarnabhumiairport.com.

29. To avail themselves of the limousines and public metered-taxi services as indicated above, it is strongly recommended that participants contact only the staff at the official counters located in the airport arrival zone. The officials, upon contact, will issue a ticket for the assignment of either a limousine or a public metered taxi for transporting passengers to the desired destination. Participants may access public taxi counters by exiting gates 3 or 9 of the arrival zone in Suvarnabhumi Airport. In addition to toll fees, there is a 50 baht surcharge to be added to the meter charge from airport to the city.
XI. Transport to attend meetings

30. Most hotels indicated in paragraph 23 provide complimentary transport, according to fixed schedules, to and from UNCC. Otherwise, participants must make their own transport arrangements in order to attend meetings.

XII. Internet services

31. Free wireless internet access is available in all conference and meeting rooms and in the public areas of UNCC. Password is not required.

XIII. Catering services

32. Catering services are available at the cafeteria, which is located on the 1st floor of UNCC, from 1100 to 1400 hours for lunch. Rajapruek Lounge, on the ground floor of UNCC, is open from 0700 to 1700 hours from Monday to Thursday, and from 0700 to 1900 hours on Friday. The canteen, on the ground floor of the Service Building, is open from 0700 to 1300 hours. In addition, a Coffee Corner, which serves sandwiches, pastries, coffee, tea and soft drinks, is located on the 1st floor of UNCC and is open from 0700 to 1700 hours.

XIV. Communications

14. For information concerning the substantive preparations for the meeting, please visit [http://www.unescap.org/events/](http://www.unescap.org/events/). For further information, please feel free to contact the following members of the secretariat:

| Overall | Mr. Sanjay Kumar Srivastava  
|         | Chief, Disaster Risk Reduction Section  
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|         | [srivastavas@un.org](mailto:srivastavas@un.org)  
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| Travel arrangements (only for sponsored participants) | Narathit Sirirat  
|                                                      | Team Assistant  
|                                                      | [sirirat@un.org](mailto:sirirat@un.org)  

XV. Meeting documents

33. Participants are requested to bring with them copies of the meeting documents distributed by the ESCAP secretariat prior to the session. To facilitate downloading and access to documents, meeting rooms and public areas will be fully equipped with Wi-Fi connections and power sources.
XVI. **Accessibility support for persons with disabilities**

34. In order to enhance accessibility to UNCC for persons with diverse disabilities, whether visual, physical, brain lesions, hearing or speech impairments, a set of assistive devices are available upon request in a designated area at the Accessibility Centre, 1st floor, UNCC. For more information please email escap-conference-management@un.org or call +66.2.2881806.

XVII. **Library facilities**

35. ESCAP Library facilities are available on the 1st floor, Service Building from 0730 to 1600 hours, Monday to Friday. For details on the use of the ESCAP Library facilities, please consult the staff on duty at the Library or call extensions 1329 and 1360. Further information about the ESCAP Library can be found at www.ESCAP.org/unis/library.

XVIII. **Banking facilities**

36. Banking services are available at the Siam Commercial Bank, United Nations branch, located on the 1st floor of the Service Building, from 0830 to 1530 hours during weekdays (telephone extension 2168).

XIX. **Postal services**

37. Postal services are available at the Post Office, United Nations branch, located on the ground floor of UNCC. It is open from 0800 to 1600 hours, Monday to Friday. The Post Office can be contacted at extensions 1260 and 2911.

XX. **Souvenir shop**

38. The souvenir shop is located on the 1st floor of UNCC.

XXI. **Travel agent**

39. The American Express Travel office is located on the 4th floor of the Service Building. It is open from 0800 to 1700 hours weekdays and can be contacted at extensions 2820, 2821, 2822 and 2823.

XXII. **Daily subsistence allowance** (only for sponsored participants)

39. Participants whose travel is sponsored by ESCAP will be provided with a daily subsistence allowance at prevailing United Nations rates in local currency. In order to facilitate the payment of subsistence allowance, eligible participants are requested to submit copies of their passport, boarding pass(es), the arrival/departure form together with their air tickets to the secretariat staff in the conference room.
40. Participants who are unable to stay for the duration of the meeting are requested to inform the secretariat as soon as possible after arrival, so that the subsistence allowance can be adjusted accordingly.

**XXIII. Financial and administrative arrangements** (only for sponsored participants)

41. In those cases where the participation costs are borne by ESCAP, the secretariat will provide only travel and daily subsistence allowance as expressed and will not assume responsibility for any other expenditure, including the following:

(a) All expenses in the home country incidental to travel abroad, including expenditure for visa, medical examination, inoculations and other such miscellaneous items and internal travel to and from the airport of arrival and departure in the home country;

(b) Salary and related allowances for the participants during the period of the meeting;

(c) Costs incurred by participants in respect of travel insurance, accident insurance, medical bills or hospitalization fees in connection with attending the meeting;

(d) Compensation in the event of death or disability of participants in connection with attending the meeting;

(e) Any loss of or damage to personal property of participants while attending the meeting or losses or damages claimed by third parties as a result of any negligence on the part of the participants;

(f) Any other expenses of a personal nature, not directly related to the purpose of the meeting.