

Information Note

2026 Africa NDE Joint Programme: Forum and Capacity Building

Hosted by UNEP CTCN and Ministry of Infrastructure, Spatial Planning, and Sustainable Development - Tunisia

23rd – 26th March 2026, Hammamet, Tunisia, In-person

VENUE

The 2026 Africa NDE Joint Programme: Forum and Capacity Building will be held in Hammamet, Tunisia. The meeting Venue will be at the [Royal Tulip Taj Sultan](#)

SEQUENCE OF PROGRAMS

Date	Program
Monday 23 rd March	Africa NDE forum
Tuesday 24 th March	Africa NDE Forum
Wednesday 25 th March	Site Visit, CTCN Network Fair and Bilateral Meetings
Thursday 26 th March	Capacity building

MODALITY

The Forum and Capacity Building event program will run as an in-person meeting program. However, some speakers may join virtually. A complete Agenda for the meeting will be shared later.

ACCOMODATION

Below is a list of recommended hotels. Kindly note that each participant is responsible for booking their own accommodation. UNEP-CTCN will provide Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA) which can be used to pay for accommodation.

Hotel	Rates per night	Distance from Venue	Location Address	How to Book
Hotel Royal Tulip Taj Sultan	Single room in Bed and Breakfast per night: 70€ Double room in Bed and Breakfast per night: 100€ Single room in Half board basis per night: 95€ Double room in Half board basis per night: 160€ Taxes are not included and will be paid separately at the Venue	This Hotel is at the Venue	Zone Touristique Yasmine Hammamet 8050 Hammamet, Tunisia	To book, send an email to ines@kyranistravel.com Ines is our host at the Venue.
Medina Belisaire & Thalasso	65 USD per night	15 minutes walk from the Venue	Bp. 204 8050 Yasmine Hammamet, 8050 Hammamet, Tunisia	You can book directly from booking.com
Marina Palace	55 USD per night	25 minutes walk from the venue / 5 minutes drive	Rue De La Marina BP 299, 8050 Hammamet, Tunisia	You can book directly from booking.com

Feel free to book any location near the venue if preferred!

TRAVEL EXPENSES

As per UN rules for eligible participants, all travel expenses including DSA, terminal expenses and visa fee shall be paid upon your arrival at the meeting venue (Hammamet, Tunisia). The financial support will be provided via a UN Debit Card which will be issued during the event, and can be used at most locations across Tunisia, including Automatic Teller Machines (ATMs). Participants will also receive an email with detailed instructions on issuance of DSA.

TICKET

As per the UN Secretariat travel rules, meeting participants will receive an air travel itinerary for their confirmation. The official itinerary is the most direct and cheapest flight available via the UN travel agency (CWT). A ticket will be automatically issued on the date indicated in the itinerary. Once the ticket is issued, and a participant requests a change of itinerary, the said participant shall bear all costs associated with that change. Please note that any change to an itinerary once issued is considered a personal deviation. If a participant wishes to change to his/her itinerary, they will be required to call CWT (+41 22 917 28 50), provide their CWT trip locator (at the top of your itinerary), request the desired change, and make the necessary payment.

DAILY SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE (DSA)

The DSA rate for Hammamet is 141 USD per night. Following the UN rules, UNEP-CTCN will cover 5 nights of DSA as per official itinerary to cover a participant's stay during the program dates.

TERMINAL EXPENSES

UNEP-CTCN will support a one-time terminal expense of USD 252.

VISA

If applicable, UNEP-CTCN will reimburse a participant's Visa application fee for an Entry Visa to Tunisia, which must be supported by an official receipt indicating the amount paid. Only officially receipted Visa application fees are reimbursable. Other costs related to visa acquisition, e.g., visa agents fee and transport costs to Embassies/Consulates are not reimbursable. The reimbursements will be made at the meeting venue via the UN Debit Card. To get Visa fee costs reimbursed, participants are requested to submit a copy of their visa, invoice and proof of payment (official receipt) **before 22 of March 2026** to Bibiana Sanchez bibiana.sanchez@un.org. Visa fee claims submitted after the deadline will not be honored.

Visa application process

1. Visitors to Tunisia must obtain a Visa from one of the Tunisian diplomatic missions unless they come from one of the Visa exempt countries.
2. Citizens of the following countries can visit Tunisia for up to 3 months each visit without a visa.

No.	Country
1	Algeria
2	Burkina Faso
3	Cote d'Ivoire
4	Equatorial Guinea
5	Gabon
6	Gambia
7	Guinea Conakry
8	Guinea Bissau
9	Mauritania
10	Mauritius
11	Namibia
12	Niger
13	Senegal
14	Seychelles
15	South Africa

3. Holders of diplomatic/service passports issued to nationals of **Egypt** do not require a Visa.
4. All remaining participants from countries not mentioned above will require a Visa to enter Tunisia. Please ensure you start your application process 1 month before your travel date or earlier.
5. Follow this link <https://tunisia-e-visa.com/tunisia-short-term-visa/> for instructions on how to apply. Participants should apply for the Tunisia Short-Term Visa.

6. Kindly note that the processing time for a Tunisia Short-Term Visa may vary depending on the applicant's nationality and the embassy or consulate processing the application. In general, the average processing time for a Tunisia Short-Term Visa is between 5-15 calendar days.
7. The fee for a Tunisia Short-Term Visa may vary depending on the applicant's nationality and the country where they submit their application. In general, the **fee for a Tunisia Short-Term Visa is between 30-160 USD.**
8. Please note that **you cannot apply for a Tunisia Short-Term Visa online.** You must apply at the **Tunisian embassy or consulate in your home country or the country where you are currently residing.**
9. Transit Visas: Please note that arranging any required transit visas is a responsibility of the participant. The official invitation letters issued by the CTCN may be used in support of Visa applications including transit Visa. Any assistance regarding invitation letters kindly contact Sharone Molly sharone.molly@un.org.
10. All nationalities who need **visa on arrival** and have been informed by email, must pay 60 Tunisian Dinars, must go to the bank (inside the airport), make change and buy a stamp (60TD).

OTHER ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Immigration officials at the airport may request proof of accommodation, return tickets, and contact details upon arrival.

TRANSPORT: TUNIS-HAMMAMET-TUNIS

The host country will make arrangements for bus transport from Tunis Airport to Hammamet and back. Details of these transport arrangements will be announced before 20th March 2026. If a participant does not wish to use the bus transport organized by the host country, they are requested to make plans for their preferred mode of transport (bus/taxi) to and from the hotel. In such cases, participants may use part of their terminal expenses to cover this cost.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Time Zone

Tunisia is UTC +1

Weather

At the time of the meeting, Hammamet, Tunisia, will be experiencing mild spring weather, with average highs around 17-18°C (63-65°F) and lows of 10-12°C (50-54°F). Expect about 9 hours of sunshine daily, with a chance of light rain on roughly 8 days in the month (around 40mm total).

Dress Code

Dress code for the event will be smart casual.

Currency and Payment

Tunisia's official currency is the Tunisian Dinar (TND). Participants are encouraged to carry local (Tunisian) cash for markets, taxis, and small vendors, as cards work mainly in hotels and tourist

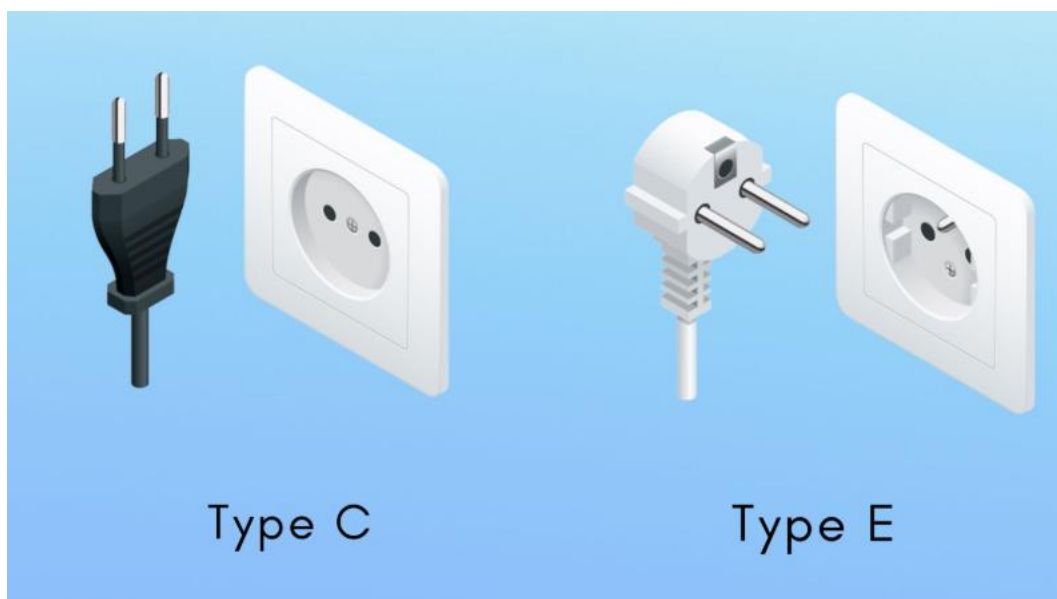
spots. You cannot buy dinars outside Tunisia due to restrictions. Currency exchanges are allowed at airports or banks upon arrival.

Current Value

As of early 2026, 1 USD equals about 2.87 TND. ATMs dispense TND widely in cities like Hammamet.

Electricity and connectivity

Tunisia uses a standard voltage of 230V at a frequency of 50Hz. Power plugs and sockets are primarily Types C and E, common in Europe with two round pins (Type C) or a hole for a grounding pin (Type E) as in the image below. For travelers from countries using different plugs and sockets, please carry universal travel adapters for compatibility.



EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Tunisia's emergency numbers are as follows: Police: 197, Ambulance: 190, and Fire Department: 198.

GETTING AROUND

In Hammamet, Tunisia, common transport options include louages (shared taxis), local buses, taxis, and car rentals for getting around. Uber is **not** available in Tunisia, including Hammamet. Alternatives include Yassir although availability may vary.

Visiting Hammamet - Tunisia

For information regarding tourist attractions, please visit this [link](#) for ideas.

Contacts

For any questions on information not covered in this document please contact Sharone Molly (sharone.molly@un.org).