INFORMATION NOTE

The Fourth meeting of trade ministers of landlocked developing countries (LLDCs) and The High-level global thematic meeting on international trade, trade facilitation and aid for trade

Venue: Rixos Almaty Hotel, Almaty, Kazakhstan
Date: 12 to 14 September 2012,

Republic of Kazakhstan
- Territory of 2,724,900 sq km
- Population 16 million
- The capital city is Astana
- Kazakh is official language. Russian language is also widely used.
National currency is tenge (KZT). The exchange rate is 1$ = 149 KZT
Major credit cards are accepted in hotels, stores and restaurants. Travelers’ cheques are also widely accepted.

Related web sites.
www.akorda.kz
www.government.kz
www.mfa.kz
www.astana.kz
www.minplan.kz

The City of Almaty
- Until 1997, Almaty was the capital of Kazakhstan. The city is located at the foot of Tian Shan mountains range.
- Almaty time zone is GMT +6 hours
- The temperature in Almaty, early September ranges between +22°C during the day and +14°C at night.

Related web sites:
www.almaty.kz
www.meteoprog.kz

Venue of meeting

“Rixos Almaty” Hotel
http://www.rixos.com/rixos-almaty 506/99, Seifullina Avenue, Almaty, Republic of Kazakhstan
Tel: +7 727 300 33 00 Fax: +7 727 300 33 33 Email: almaty@rixos.com

Recommended hotels in Almaty
All participants have to make hotel arrangements on their own at the recommended Hotels below. Sponsored participants are responsible for settling their hotel bill and any other personal expenses including dinners and telephone charges using their Daily Subsistence Allowance.

1. “Rixos Almaty” Hotel
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For all guests of two meetings the cost of STANDARD ROOM – 167$. 


2. “Hayatt Regency Almaty” (Rahat Palace)
www.rahatpalace.com 29/6 St. Satpaev Avenue, Almaty, Kazakhstan 050040, Tel: +7 727 250 1234 Fax: +7 727 250 8888

STANDARD ROOM - 176$

3. “Almaty Intercontinental” Hotel
www.intercontinental.com 181 Zheltoksan street ALMATY, 050013 Kazakhstan
Front Desk: +7-727-2505000 · Fax: +7-727-2582100 ·

STANDARD ROOM – 270$

4. “Royal Tulip” Hotel
http://www.royaltulipalmaty.com Royal Tulip Almaty - 401/2 M. Ospanov street - 050020 - Almaty – Kazakhstan Tel: (+7) 727 3000100 · Email: concierge@royaltulipalmaty.com

STANDARD ROOM – 220$

Visa Issues

All delegates are requested of Kazakhstan in their respective countries where such embassies and consulates exist. The list of Kazakhstan’s diplomatic mission and consulates is available at the website www.mfa.kz of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Kazakhstan.

Those participants, who are not able to obtain visas to Kazakhstan in their respective countries, are requested to provide the United Nations Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing states (fax: 1-917-367-3415: 1-212-963-3316) and Permanent Mission of Kazakhstan to the United Nations (fax – 1 212 230 1172: tel. – 1 212 230 1972: 1 212 230 1900) with the following information: date of arrival and departure and passport data (d.o.b., passport № , its expiry date). Visas for these delegates will be granted at the Almaty airport upon their arrival. The applicants should present invitation letter or other documents certifying their participation.

International flights

Almaty International Airport (www.almatyairport.kz) has regular flights from the following international airports.

1. Lufthansa Airlines – Frankfurt www.lufthansa.com
2. KLM – Amsterdam www.klm.nl
4. Transaero – Moscow www.transaero.ru
5. Turkish Airlines – Istanbul www.turkishairlines.com
6. Air Astana (Kazakhstan Air Company) – www.air-astana.com

Local transportation

The local transportation from the airport to the hotels will be provided by the Government of Kazakhstan. Please provide information on your date and time of arrival in Almaty and flight details to the contacts of the meeting based in Kazakhstan. Transportation between recommended hotels and the conference venue will also be provided.
**Meeting Contacts**

The contacts for the meeting are:

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