



**United Nations Regional Workshop on the 2020 World  
Programme on Population and Housing Censuses:  
International Standards and Contemporary Technologies**

**Lagos, Nigeria**

**8-11 May 2017**

**INFORMATION NOTE FOR PARTICIPANTS**

## **WORKSHOP ORGANISATION AND COORDINATION**

The regional workshop is organized by the United Nations Statistics Division in collaboration with the National Population Commission of Nigeria, the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa and the African Development Bank.

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### **OBJECTIVE OF THE WORKSHOP**

1. The main objective of the workshop is to introduce two recently revised international guidelines—the Principles and Recommendations for Population and Housing Censuses (Revision 3) and the Handbook on the Management of Population and Housing Censuses (Revision 2)—and the standards, concepts and methods contained therein in order to facilitate national planning and preparations for 2020 round censuses. The workshop will also provide a forum for reviewing national experience in, and document good practices on, the use of contemporary technologies including those for census mapping and data collection.

## **VENUE & DATE OF THE WORKSHOP**

2. The venue of the workshop will be the Four Points by Sheraton in Lagos (located at Plot 9/10 Block 2, Oniru Chieftaincy Estate, Victoria-Island.; Tel +234 1 448 9423; Web (<http://www.fourpointslagos.com/>)). The meeting will be held in the PLUTO meeting room. The workshop will be conducted from 8 to 11 May 2017.

## **CONFERENCE PACKAGE**

3. The conference package will include lunch and morning and afternoon coffee breaks.

## **LANGUAGE**

4. The workshop will be conducted in English and Portuguese. Interpretation services will be provided from English to Portuguese and vice-versa.

## **REGISTRATION AND IDENTIFICATION BADGES**

5. Participants are requested to register and obtain their meeting badge between 8:00- 08:30 AM on Monday, 08 May 2017.
6. For identification and security reasons, all participants are requested to wear their meeting badges during the workshop sessions.

## **WEATHER**

7. The climate of Lagos, Nigeria is tropical. The month of May falls within the rainy season from April to October, with lower monthly temperature and the wettest month being June. Near the coast temperatures rarely exceed 32 degrees Celsius (90 degrees Fahrenheit), but humidity is very high and nights are very hot. Inland there are two different seasons.  
Participants are encouraged to carry rainy coats or umbrellas.

## **TRANSPORT FROM AND TO AIRPORT**

8. The primary airport for Nigeria, Murtala Muhammed International Airport is located 14 miles (22.5km) northwest of central Lagos. Participants should make their own transportation arrangements from Murtala Muhammed International Airport to their respective hotels. Taxi services are the safest and most efficient way and readily available at the airport to travel to and from the airport. Yellow taxis are available outside the terminal. It is wise to negotiate a fee before departure; the fare into Lagos should be around NGN 5,000 (equivalent to about US\$15-20).

## **TRANSPORT TO ATTEND WORKSHOP**

9. Participants choosing to stay in hotels other than the one where the workshop will be held should have to make their own transport arrangements for attending the workshop.

## **HOTEL ACCOMMODATION**

10. Arrangements for hotels need to be made by individual participants at a hotel of their own choice.

11. A list of hotels offering UN discounted room rates in the vicinity of the workshop venue is provided below. Additional hotels near the venue are also provided below. Participants can contact hotels directly and make reservations. Some of the popular web sites for booking hotel rooms include: [www.expedia.com](http://www.expedia.com), [www.hotels.com](http://www.hotels.com), [www.orbitz.com](http://www.orbitz.com), [www.travelocity.com](http://www.travelocity.com)

12. Please note that a credit card maybe required to make a reservation and participants should plan accordingly.

HOTEL	Address & Website	Contact Person & Email Address	UN Negotiated Rate	Taxes & S.C.	Phone No.
<b>Soteria Hotels &amp; Resort</b>	40c Agodogba Avenue, Park view Estate, Victoria Island, Lagos	Boma Paul, <a href="mailto:info@soteriahotels.com">info@soteriahotels.com</a> , <a href="mailto:reservation@soteriahotels.com">reservation@soteriahotels.com</a>	NGN 15,000 (~USD 49)		012696254-7,7989755
<b>Dover (BlunchRose Hotels Ltd)</b>	Plot 10, Road 16 Olubunmi Owa Street Lekki Phase 1, Lagos <a href="http://www.thedoverhotel.com/index.html">http://www.thedoverhotel.com/index.html</a>	<a href="mailto:info@thedoverhotel.com">info@thedoverhotel.com</a>	NGN 15,000 (~USD 49)		+234-(0)-1-2704360-3
<b>Parkview Astoria</b>	18/19 Prince Adesanya Street, Parkview Estate, off Gerrard Road, Ikoyi, Lagos <a href="http://parkviewastoriahotels.com/">http://parkviewastoriahotels.com/</a>	<a href="mailto:info@parkviewastoriahotels.com">info@parkviewastoriahotels.com</a> , <a href="mailto:reservations@parkviewastoriahotels.com">reservations@parkviewastoriahotels.com</a>	NGN 16,000 (~USD 52)		+234-1-8178701-2, 8179702, 08164969009, 07055892495,
<b>Elion House Hotel</b>	Plot 7/8 Agbeke Rotinwa Street, Dolphin Extension, Ikoyi, Lagos <a href="http://www.elionhousehotel.com/">http://www.elionhousehotel.com/</a>	<a href="mailto:info@elionhousehotel.com">info@elionhousehotel.com</a>	NGN 25,000 (~USD 82)		+234 1 4614190-4, +234 810 7611870
<b>Colonades Hotels</b>	21 Alfred Rewane Road, Ikoyi, Lagos <a href="http://www.de-colonades.com/">http://www.de-colonades.com/</a>	<a href="mailto:infocolonades@gmail.com">infocolonades@gmail.com</a>	NGN 25,000 (~USD 82)		Tel: 01-4630599, 4630604, 4630698-9 Mobile: 0703 180 8970, 0703 180 8972 Direct Line: 0909 299 5627
<b>Southern Sun Ikoyi Hotel</b>	No. 47 Alfred Rewane Road, Eti-Osa Local Government Area, Lagos <a href="https://www.tsogosun.com/southern-sun-ikoyi">https://www.tsogosun.com/southern-sun-ikoyi</a>	Ubong Nseobot - Sales & Marketing Manager <a href="mailto:Ubong.Nseobot@tsogosun.com">Ubong.Nseobot@tsogosun.com</a>	NGN 30,000 (~USD 98)		
HOTEL	Address & Website	Contact Person & Email Address	Rate on Hotel Website	Taxes & S.C.	Phone No.
<b>Edgwaters Hotel</b>	Plot 1323, Ahmadu Bello Way, Victoria Island, Eti Osa, Lagos	<a href="mailto:ayom_carmel@yahoo.co.uk">ayom_carmel@yahoo.co.uk</a>	NGN 13,000 (~USD 43)		07069581858, 08035053929 014540119
<b>Cumberland Hotel</b>	2/4, Adeola Odeku Street, Victoria Island, Lagos <a href="https://www.cumberlandhotellagos.com">https://www.cumberlandhotellagos.com</a>	<a href="mailto:cumberlandhotel@hotmail.com">cumberlandhotel@hotmail.com</a>	NGN 14,000 (~USD 46)		+234-1-7601529, +234-1-7903929
<b>Signature Suites</b>	23, Younis Bashorun, Off Ajose Adeogun, Victoria Island, Lagos <a href="http://signaturesuitesltd.com/">http://signaturesuitesltd.com/</a>	<a href="mailto:reservations@signaturesuitesltd.com">reservations@signaturesuitesltd.com</a> , <a href="mailto:manager@signaturesuitesltd.com">manager@signaturesuitesltd.com</a>	NGN 18,000 (~USD 59)		+234-1-454 1407
<b>Spicery Hotel</b>	36/40 Campbell Street, Opposite Campos Memorial Stadium,	<a href="mailto:info@spiceryng.com">info@spiceryng.com</a>	NGN 20,000 (~USD 65)		Tel : 234-1-2931304 Reservation Line : 234-1-2931304, 234-

	Lagos Island, Lagos <a href="http://spiceryng.com/lagosisland.php">http://spiceryng.com/lagosisland.php</a>			8055547387
<b>The Island Heights Hotel</b>	11, Samuel Manuwa Street, Victoria Island, Lagos <a href="http://www.heightshotels.com/index.php/welcome/hotel/island_heights/index">http://www.heightshotels.com/index.php/welcome/hotel/island_heights/index</a> <a href="mailto:info@heightshotels.com">info@heightshotels.com</a>	<b>NGN 20,000 (~USD 65)</b>		+234-1-2715551, +234-1-2715552, +234-8029284446, +234-8029287100 Fax: +234-1-2708486
<b>Trevic Lodge</b>	4a Samuel Manuwa Street, off Ozumba Mbadiwe, by 1004 Estate 2nd Gate, Victoria Island, Lagos <a href="http://www.treviclodge.ng.com/index.php">http://www.treviclodge.ng.com/index.php</a> <a href="mailto:mail@TrevicLodge.com">mail@TrevicLodge.com</a>	<b>NGN 22,000 (~USD 72)</b>		+234-706-881-4141 +234-709-821-1660
<b>Peninsula Hotel &amp; Towers</b>	Block 94, Plot 16, Lekki-Epe Express Way, Lekki Phase 1, Lagos <a href="http://www.peninsulahotel.com.ng">http://www.peninsulahotel.com.ng</a> <a href="mailto:info@peninsulahotel.com.ng">info@peninsulahotel.com.ng</a> , <a href="mailto:bookings@peninsulahotel.com.ng">bookings@peninsulahotel.com.ng</a>	<b>NGN 25,000 (~USD 82)</b>		+234 0809 370 6544, +234 0902 265 2282, +234 0703 972 4274
<b>Four Points</b>	Plot 9/10, Block 2, Oniru Chieftaincy Estate, P. O Box 53197, Ikoyi, Lagos <a href="http://www.fourpointslagos.com/">http://www.fourpointslagos.com/</a>	<b>NGN 51,300 (~USD 167)</b>		(+234) (1) 448 9444

13. Please note that if you choose your own accommodations you will have to make your own transport arrangement to and from the workshop venue.

#### HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

14. For visitors to Nigeria, yellow fever and polio vaccination is recommended.

#### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

15. Nigeria is mainly a cash economy although the use of credit and debit cards is increasing - especially in the big cities. If you intend to use cash, make sure you bring enough foreign currency to cover costs. It is illegal to change money on the street and travellers cheques are difficult to cash. You should take advice from your card issuer before travelling if you intend to use your credit or debit card in Nigeria.

16. **Exchange rate:** Nigeria currency is Nigeria Naira (NGN). The exchange rate fluctuates. The UN official exchange rate as of April 2017 is USD 1.00 = NGN 308.05.

17. **Money Exchange:** Almost all foreign currencies can be exchanged at banks, bureaux de change and airports & major hotels in Nigeria.

18. **Credit & Debit Cards:** Speak with your credit or debit Card Company for details of merchant acceptability in Nigeria.