



International Eurasian Workshop “International Merchandise Trade Statistics: Edge of Tomorrow”

Nur-Sultan, Republic of Kazakhstan
14 – 15 November 2019

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

I. Workshop venue

Park Inn by Radisson Hotel Astana, 8a Saryarka Ave., Nur-Sultan, Kazakhstan

II. Visa requirement

Citizens of certain countries enter the Republic of Kazakhstan and leave the Republic of Kazakhstan without visa if the period of their stay in the Republic of Kazakhstan does not exceed 30 calendar days. The relevant information can be found on the website:

<http://mfa.gov.kz/en/visa/>

In case you need the invitation for the issue of the visa, please send an official letter about your candidature to the e-mail address of the Committee on Statistics of the Ministry of National Economy of the Republic of Kazakhstan kazstat.rk@gmail.com

III. Accommodation at the hotel

Participants are responsible for their own accommodation arrangements.

Participants may stay in «**Park Inn by Radisson**», which kindly offered special prices in the amount of 15 000 KZT per day (40 USD). In this case, we recommend to send an email with check-in/check-out dates, name and dates of the workshop to reservation.astana@parkinn.com (Cc: kuralay.kurmangaliyeva@parkinn.com, ma.tazhikenov@economy.gov.kz)

IV. Local transportation

You can reach the city from the «Nursultan Nazarbayev» international airport using a taxi.

Cost of travel to the center of the city varies between 1500 – 3000 KZT (4 – 8 USD).

Also, you can use public transport, bus №12, bus stop - «Kenesary street»

V. General information about Nur-Sultan city

Nur-Sultan city (before – Astana) is the capital of the Republic of Kazakhstan. At present, the territory of the city makes up more than 797 square kilometers, population – more than 1mln. inhabitants.

Nur-Sultan is located in the center of Kazakhstan in the dry steppe zone and the Yessil River is a major waterway of the capital.

The city consists of four districts – Almaty, Saryarka, Yessil and Baikonur. Nur-Sultan's favorable location in the center of the Eurasian continent makes it an economically advantageous transport, communication and logistics center, and a natural bridge between Europe and Asia.

The Congress of Leaders of World and Traditional Religions, the Astana Economic Forum and other forums are held regularly in the capital. The historical Summit of the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe (2010), the 7th Asian Winter Games (2011), the anniversary summits of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (2017) and Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (2017), international specialized exhibition EXPO-2017 took place in the city.

VI. Climate

Climate in Nur-Sultan is continental, with extremely cold winter and mildly hot summer. During the workshop the average temperature by day will be $-3-5^{\circ}\text{C}$ and by night $-5-7^{\circ}\text{C}$.

VII. Electricity

The standard electricity in Kazakhstan is 220 volts, 50 hertz. You can use your electrical appliances in Kazakhstan if the standard electricity in your country is between 220-240 volts (as in Great Britain, Europe, Australia and in most countries of Asia and Africa).

Socket type C/F (Europlug/Schuko):  

VIII. Currency

Official currency of Kazakhstan is the Kazakh tenge.

Exchange rate: 1 USD = 383 KZT (as of July 2019).

FURTHER QUESTIONS

For any other information of organizational nature, please, do not hesitate to contact **Mr. Madi Tazhikenov**, Head of International statistical cooperation division of the Committee on statistics of MNE RK, ma.tazhikenov@economy.gov.kz, +7 701 778 07 01.