

# 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Global Economic Analysis

*"New Challenges in Food Policy, Trade and Economic Vulnerability"*

## Conference Dates

June 18-20, 2014

## Conference Location

King Fahd Palace Hotel

Pointe des Almadies, BP: 8181

Dakar, Senegal

## Invitation Letters, Visas and Vaccination Requirements

### Invitation Letters

By **April 15**, participants must send the details below to the IFPRI Dakar office via [Mariama Ba \(mariama.ba@cgiar.org\)](mailto:Mariama.Ba@cgiar.org) AND [Alimatou Diop \(alimatou.diop@cgiar.org\)](mailto:Alimatou.Diop@cgiar.org) to begin processing invitation letters.

- Full first and last name(s)
- Title
- Institution
- Address

If complete information is provided, participants can expect to receive their invitation letter via email within 2-3 business days. It is unlikely that participants will be required to submit an original hard copy of the invitation letter during the visa application process; however, should this be required, mostly due to restrictions of nationality, participants should plan ahead and make their invitation letter request 2-3 months in advance of application.

### Visas

Participants should apply for a visa for short stays in Senegal. To pre-enroll, please complete the biometric visa form at: <http://www.visasenegal.sn/en/>. The cost for pre-enrollment is € 52,5. Note that during pre-enrollment, in addition to the standard personal and travel information, the following documents are required:

- Copy of passport (first 5 pages)
- Ticket reservation confirmation (airfare)
- Hotel reservation confirmation

Once the pre-enrollment is complete, participants will be emailed a registration receipt and approval document. After enrollment, visas may be obtained at the nearest consulate/embassy or at the Dakar Leopold Sedar Senghor International Airport. Upon arrival at the airport the traveler should go to the "Visa Airport" area where biometric information will be taken and the visa will be printed and affixed to the passport.

The following items are required at the airport. Please refer to Senegal's Visa Application Procedures (<https://www.gtap.agecon.purdue.edu/events/conferences/2014/documents/visa.pdf>) as provided by the IFPRI Dakar staff or for more specific details for your citizenship, please reference the Trivisa website at: <http://www.trivisa.com/>. Under the "Get a Visa" tab, enter your specific information and then click the link to view the visa requirements specific to your situation.

- The original registration receipt and approval email from the pre-enrollment
- Passport valid for at least six months + a photocopy of the first five pages
- Round-trip or onward ticket or proof of departure
- Hotel confirmation
- Invitation letter

### Vaccinations

A yellow fever vaccination is a requirement for entry into Senegal if coming from an infected area; however, all travelers should be vaccinated against yellow fever as a precaution. It is also recommended that travelers be

vaccinated against Hepatitis A and B. Senegal is in the malarial zone and prophylactics should be taken as a precaution. Travelers should take measures to avoid mosquito bites, such as using an insect repellent at all times. For further information, please reference the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's website for Senegal at: <http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/traveler/none/senegal>.

## Lodging

Participants are responsible for securing their own lodging, which is on a first-come, first-served basis. The local organizers have secured reservation blocks at the following hotels, which are available through May 1, 2014. Participants should reference "Group Code: IFPRI" when making reservations. Please visit the conference homepage (<https://www.gtap.agecon.purdue.edu/events/conferences/2014/default.asp>) for further booking details.

**King Fahd Palace Hotel** (<http://www.kingfahdpalacehotels.com/en>)

Pointe des Almadies, BP: 8181, Dakar, Senegal

Tel: +221 33 869 69 39

Em: [conference.dakar@kingfahdpalacehotels.com](mailto:conference.dakar@kingfahdpalacehotels.com)

Cost: 78,273 CFA per night

Rooms Available: 200

**Fleur de Lys Hotel** (<http://www.hotelfleurdelysdakar.com/>)

Route des Almadies, Dakar, Senegal

Tel: +221 33 869 86 87

Em: [contact@hotelfleurdelysdakar.com](mailto:contact@hotelfleurdelysdakar.com)

Cost: 50,000 CFA per night

Rooms Available: 20

**Le Lodge des Almadies** (<http://www.lodgedesalmadies.com/>)

Route de L'OCI – Almadies, Dakar, Senegal

Tel: +221 33 869 03 45

Cost: 50,000 CFA per night

Rooms Available: 20

**Hotel des Almadies** (<http://www.hoteldesalmadies.com/>)

La Pointe des Almadies, Dakar, Senegal

Tel: +221 33 869 54 54

Cost: 50,000 CFA per night

Rooms Available: 20

**Virage Hotel** (<http://www.hotellevirage.com/>)

Route de Ngor, Dakar, Senegal

Tel: +221 33 820 71 69

Em: [contact@hotellevirage.com](mailto:contact@hotellevirage.com)

Cost: 50,000 CFA per night

Rooms Available: 20

## Transportation

It is strongly recommended that participants use one of the following transportation options. Use of these options is included in the conference registration fee. The final transportation schedule will be posted in the conference program in mid-May.

- **To/From King Fahd Palace Hotel** - The King Fahd Palace Hotel is located roughly 10 minutes' drive from the airport near the beach and the African Renaissance Monument in Dakar. The hotel offers a free shuttle service from the airport to the hotel. Hotel personnel will be waiting in the *Elite Lounge* of the airport to direct participants to the hotel shuttle.
- **To/From Fleur de Lys Hotel, Le Lodge des Almadies, Hotel des Almadies or Virage Hotel** - A private bus service will be available to meet participants at the airport baggage claim (look for a GTAP sign) and deliver them to their respective hotels. The same bus service will be available on a daily basis to shuttle participants to/from these hotels and the conference venue (King Fahd Palace Hotel).

## **Additional Travel Tips**

### **Currency Conversion**

Senegal's official currency is the West African CFA Franc (XOF). For cash, Euros and Dollars are the most easily changed currency (1\$ ~ 525 FCFA, 1€ ~ 656 FCFA). Credit cards are accepted at major hotels and restaurants in Dakar and travelers' checks can be exchanged at most banks.

### **ATMs**

The King Fahd Palace Hotel has ATMs of BICIS (BNP Paribas Group). Outside the hotel, roughly 500m away, there are also ATMs of UBA (United Bank of Africa), BOA (Bank of Africa) and SGBS (Senegalese subsidiary of Societe Generale).

### **Emergency Health Services**

- SOS Médecin – Tel: 00221.33.889.1515
- Clinique Madeleine – Tel : 00221.33.889.9470
- Clinique du CAP – Tel: 00221.33.889.0202

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