



GENERAL TRAVEL AND PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Less than 10 days to go – Aquaculture Africa Conference (AFRAQ24): 19-22 November 2024, Medina Yasmine Hammamet, Tunisia

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION:

We hope most of you have all registered and presenters have submitted their abstracts. Everyone **MUST register online** in order for us to correctly capture badge details. Payment on site is accepted for those who are unable to pay directly online. Advance/Early Bird registration closed on 1st November 2024. Late registrations are still being accepted.

To register online visit: <https://www.was.org/Meeting/Registration/Submit/AFRAQ24>

- Exhibitors: please upload/add the names for your staff online – use the [Exhibitor Link](#). The badges will be available at the **EXHIBITORS REGISTRATION DESK**.
- All others (national and international) participants who paid in advance can pick up their badges at the **ADVANCED REGISTRATION DESK** – in case the badges are paid.
- For those who want to register and pay-on-site:
 - Tunisian participants – please go the **TUNISIAN REGISTRATION DESK**
 - All international participants – please go to the **ONSITE REGISTRATION DESK**

REGISTRATION DESKS are open on **Tuesday 19 November from 12:00 to 17:00PM** or on **Wednesday 20 November from 07:30AM**.

CONFERENCE VENUE:

The Conference venue is **Medina Mediterranea Congress and Exhibition Center**, Yasmine Hammamet.

- Hammamet is approximately 1.5 hour drive from Tunis.
- The Opening Ceremony and Plenary will be held at The Hannibal Plenary Hall - the most prestigious convention hall in Tunisia, with a reception capacity of 2200 people and modern infrastructure. To learn more about the Convention Centre, visit: <https://www.medina.com.tn/en/congress-exhibition-centre>
- AFRAQ24 has block booked hotels on site and within 10-15 walking distance from the Convention centre.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS:

1. Tunisia visa application

- It is your responsibility to secure your visa to travel to Tunisia, if needed. You may check the eligibility and application requirements on <https://visaguide.world/africa/tunisia-visa/> or at your nearest Tunisian Embassy/Consular Service. If you have all requisite documentation in place, you can go ahead and apply for your visa early as in some cases the visa processing may take up to 21 days.
- If registered to attend AFRAQ24 and require an **official letter of invitation** from AFRAQ24 local hosting parties for your visa application, please contact the WAS-AC Secretariat: africanchapter@was.org
- For those who have submitted their passport copies for the processing of visas on arrival – A Visa-on-Arrival Reference Code will be issued to each individual applicant, with relevant terms and conditions. This has been facilitated strictly for AFRAQ24 attendees by the host, Ministry

of Agriculture and the Competent Authority for visas. Please note: the **visa-on-arrival applications closed on 18 October 2024**. All other prospective attendees needing visas must approach the nearest Tunisia embassies.

- For those who have pre-approved visa-on-arrival notifications (Ref Codes), do not forget to bring the printed copy of this **Ref Code document**, your valid passport, return flight ticket and accommodation voucher. This may expedite the issuance of your visa at the immigration counters.
- The facilitated AFRAQ24 visa-on-arrival costs TND60 or approximately Euro20 (cash only).

2. Flights to Tunis, Tunisia

All delegates coming from various international destinations will most likely land at Tunis-Carthage International Airport. Direct flights are available from key hubs such as Cairo, Doha, Dubai, Casablanca, Algiers, Istanbul, Paris and other European destinations. You may check your preferred itinerary via your travel agent or online booking platforms. It is advisable to book your flight early in order to benefit from relatively affordable prices. For those needing visas, flight itineraries may be required for the visa application.

3. Arrival at Tunis-Carthage International Airport

- Upon arrival, **follow the signs for immigration** and have your documents ready, including your passport, visa (if applicable), and any supporting documents such as a return ticket or proof of accommodation.
- Depending on the time of day, there may be long queues or traffic at the airport, so plan accordingly and allow extra time for transportation and customs.

4. Airport shuttles and ground transportation

AFRAQ24 Official Travel Agent:

QUINTA TRAVEL TUNEZ

Hammamet –Tunez Hiba building - N° 1, Rte Yasmine Hammamet, 8050

Tel: (+216)72226945 Mobile & WhatsApp: (+216)26516734 (Agent: Ms Oumayma Zghibi)

accommodation@afraq24.com / www.quinta-travel.com

- Hammamet is located about 60km south of Tunis (up to 1.5 hour drive from Tunis Carthage International Airport). For those needing airport pick up/shuttle service from Airport to Hammamet, please contact our official travel agent beforehand. Individual or group shuttle and car rental options can be arranged.
- Unless otherwise arranged with the Travel agent, shuttles are payable in cash in EURO, USD (or equivalent in Tunisia Dinars - TND).
- It is important to provide your itinerary (arrival/departure schedules) and transport needs in advance to the Travel Agent. Whatsapp number: +216 26516734
- An AFRAQ24 **“Welcome Desk”** will be arranged at the Airport’s meet-and-greet area to manage the groupings and shuttling of AFRAQ24 delegates, mostly on 18th and 19th Nov.

5. Hotels and accommodation

It is your responsibility to secure your accommodation for the conference. AFRAQ24 has listed some of the Hotels within 10-15 minutes walking distance from the conference venue for consideration: <https://afraq24.com/hotels/>. We encourage you to book directly on this platform or contact accommodation@afraq24.com. You may also view some of the hotels features and amenities on <https://www.medina.com.tn/en/hotels-resorts>

HEALTH AND SAFETY REGULATIONS

- ✚ **A YELLOW FEVER VACCINE CERTIFICATE** may be required for most travellers from a yellow fever endemic country. Be sure to bring your yellow fever card.
- ✚ **SAFETY:** Like travelling anywhere in the world, it pays to take common-sense approaches to your safety and not to take any form of risk. In general, Tunisians are friendly and helpful, and incidents are generally both rare and minor. If you take normal precautions, you should be safe. Keep your valuables safely. Be aware of your surroundings when walking in the streets. In case of emergencies, please contact your local Hotel for assistance.
- ✚ Contact your Hotel for assistance. Tourist police: tel. 197 Medical emergency: tél. 190
- ✚ **Tunisia** is an Islamic country, and visitors should respect local traditions and culture, especially when visiting religious sites.
- ✚ **TRAVEL and HEALTH INSURANCE** is always recommended but not mandatory

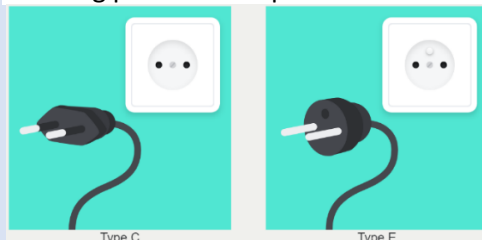
CURRENCIES AND LOCAL TRANSACTIONS

The Tunisia Dinar (TND) is the unit of Currency for Tunisia. The current exchange rate of the Dinar to the USD is approximately 3.1 TND to 1USD. The exchange rate fluctuates on a daily basis. Major credit cards (Visa, MasterCard, Eurocard, Amex, Diner's Club) are accepted by major hotels, restaurants and in major malls around the country. Local TNDs can be dispensed by most ATMs at banks and in Malls.

- ✚ You must declare cash brought into Tunisia that exceeds TND10,000, or the foreign currency equivalent. Taking TNDs out of the country is NOT permitted.
- ✚ Forex Bureau de Change are available at Tunis-Carthage International Airport and in Hammamet at most local Banks and around Malls and touristic areas. These do change most major currencies eg Euros and USDs.

OTHER USEFUL TRAVEL ITEMS

For Tunisia, there are two associated plug types, types C and E. Plug type C is the plug which has two round pins and plug type E is the plug which has two round pins and a hole for the socket's male earthing pin. Tunisia operates on a 230V supply voltage and 50Hz.



- ✚ Local time is GMT/UTC plus +1 hour
- ✚ Official Language: Arabic. French is widely spoken. English spoken in many tourist areas.
- ✚ Dialling Code: +216
- ✚ Climatic Conditions: The climate in Hammamet, Tunisia in November is mild with average daily temperatures ranging from 12-20°C. It is recommended to bring a light jacket or jumper for the evenings. Weather is unpredictable although there are more chances of a perfect sunny day in November, with some sporadic light rains.

For more information on visiting TUNISIA: www.discovertunisia.com

Wishing you a safe travel to AFRAQ24, HAMMAMET, TUNISIA



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