Site Visit for ASP2020 Kétévi A. Assamagan

Dates

• Date

• March 31 to April 6, 2019

• At Rabat

- March 31 to April 3, 2019
- At University of Casablanca
 - April 3
- At Marrakesh
 - April 3-6, 2019

Itinerary / Program

• Sunday March 31

- Arrive in Casablanca CMN Airport and proceed by car to Rabat
- Or arrive in Rabat
- Your driver and telephone have been communicated to you

• Monday April 1

- Visits at the University Mohammed V in Rabat
- PhD thesis defense of Mounia Laassiri ASP2016 student alumnus. It will start at 9:30am
- Meeting with the LOC / Visits to Embassies / other meetings

• Tuesday April 2

- Visits at the Ministries of Education and African affairs
- Any other visits

• Wednesday April 3

- Train or car to Marrakesh
- On the way, stop at the University of Casablanca

• Thursday-Friday April 4-5

- Visits at the Cadi Ayyad University: lecture halls, computing facilities
- Meeting with University officials
- Visit the suggested hotels for students and lecturers
- Debriefing meeting with the LOC Friday afternoon

• Saturday April 6

• Departures

Arrivals on March 31

- Casablanca or Rabat
- Different times for different people
- Airport pick-ups and drivers arranged by the LOC
 - For Horst, Herman and Steve: Mr Hammari Mohammed tel: 06-61-84-71-27
 - For Latifa, Ketevi and Anne: Mr Seddik harrar tél: 06-18-22-63-28

Suggested Hotels

- March 31 April 3 in Rabat
 - Onomo Hotel Rabat Terminus <u>https://www.onomohotel.com/fr/hotel/12/onomo-hotel-rabat-terminus</u>
- April 3-6 in Marrakesh
 - Hotel Imperial Plaza <u>http://www.hotel-imperial-plaza-marrakech-</u> <u>marruecos.vivehotels.com/</u>
 - This is the suggested hotel where students will be staying during ASP2020
- I assume that all have followed the instructions to ensure that your booking is confirmed
 - If you received a voucher, bring that with you

At Rabat on March 31 – April 3

- March 31: arrival
 - Nothing official planned

• April 1 from 9:30am at the University Mohammed V, Rabat

- Thesis Defense of Mounia Laassiri
 - On Jury are: Latifa, Yahya, Mohamed Chabab, Farida, Rajaa, Ketevi.
 - The rest may attend the defense or do something else like visit embassies
- Possible meeting some Mohammed V University officials

April 1 after the defense—this will in the afternoon

- Possible meeting some Mohammed V University officials and or meetings
- Tentatively IOC-LOC briefing meeting

• April 1, evening

- Possible IOC-LOC dinner briefing
- April 2
 - Meetings at the Ministries of Education and African Affairs
- April 3
 - Departure for Marrakesh

Rabat → Marrakesh Transit

On Wednesday April 3

- By train or car
- Details to be worked out with the LOC
 - Departure time
 - Stop on the way at the University of Casablanca—meeting with University officials there

• Late on April 3

- Arrival in Marrakesh
- Nothing official planned that evening

At Marrakesh on April 3-6

• On April 3

- Not much will happen. We will arrive late, especially after stop at the University of Casablanca
- April 4-5
 - Meeting with University officials
 - Visits to the facilities—computing facilities and lecture halls
 - Visits to the suggested hotels
 - April 5 in the afternoon: IOC-LOC debriefing meeting
- April 6
 - Departures

Objectives

- At Rabat, during the meetings with the Ministries
 - 2-folds objectives
 - At the Ministry of Education
 - Obtain financial commitment for the coverage of local participant. Requested : 40'000 euros. See page 22 of <u>https://ketevi.web.cern.ch/ketevi/ASP2020/ASP-French-Mars-2019.pdf</u>
 - At the Ministry of African Affairs
 - Obtain commitment to help facilitate entrance visa applications to Morocco
- At Rabat, other funding sources
 - Meetings at embassies and other organizations
- At Marrakesh
 - Review the states of infrastructure and logistics
 - Computing facility, internet connectivity
 - Identify where improvements are needed before ASP2020 starts

April 6 - Departures

- I will be departing from Marrakesh
- If you will be departing from Casablanca or Rabat
 - You should inform Mohamed so that transportation from Marrakesh is arranged for you well in advance