Global South-South Development Expo 2017

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Antalya, Turkey

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The Global South-South Development Expo (GSSD Expo) is an annual event organized by the United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC) in its capacity as the General Assembly-mandated global and United Nations system-wide coordinator and facilitator for South-South and triangular cooperation, and in close coordination with the host government. It is designed to showcase evidence-based successful development solutions and initiatives. The Expo was endorsed by the General Assembly in its Nairobi Outcome Document adopted at the last United Nations High-level Conference on South-South Cooperation, held in Nairobi, Kenya in 2009 (A/RES/64/222).

The GSSD Expo 2017 is hosted by the Government of the Republic of Turkey in Antalya from 27 to 30 November 2017, under the theme “South-South Cooperation in the Era of Economic, Social and Environmental Transformation--Road to 40th Anniversary of the Adoption of Buenos Aires Plan of Action (BAPA+40)”.
DATE AND VENUE

The GSSD Expo 2017 will be held from 27 to 30 November 2017, in Antalya, Turkey. The Expo will take place in the Convention Centre of the Titanic Deluxe Golf Belek.

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OPENING OF THE GSSD EXPO

The formal opening of the Expo will take place on Monday, 27 November 2017 at 9 a.m. and will be held in the Pacific Hall.

AGENDA

The full current agenda of the GSSD Expo 2017 can be found on the Expo website (www.expo.unsouthsouth.org).
● REQUESTS FOR MEETINGS ●

Subject to the availability of space, every effort will be made to accommodate informal meetings and bilateral meetings of partners and participants. Requests should be sent by email to gssdexpo.secretariat@undp.org specifying the type of meeting in the subject line.

● INTERPRETATION ●

The Expo plenary sessions will have the six official UN languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish). Interpretation in Turkish will also be available in the plenary sessions on the First Day only.

Interpretation will not be provided for side events, which will all be held in English.

● DOCUMENTATION ●

Summaries of proceedings will be prepared and posted on the GSSD Expo website daily in English. An official GSSD Expo 2017 report will be prepared in English following the Closing Ceremony and posted to the GSSD Expo website.

Session organizers are requested to prepare a session summary report and submit this to the secretariat via email (gssdexpo.secretariat@undp.org) within one day of completion of the session.
ACCESS AND REGISTRATION OF DELEGATES

Delegations are required to register their participation at the GSSD Expo 2017 online through http://www.expo.unsouthsouth.org/2017-antalya/registration/.

For security reasons, participants who have not previously registered online will NOT be accepted. On-site issuance of conference badges to all registered participants will begin in Antalya on 26 November 2017.

For identification and security reasons, all participants are requested to wear their meeting badges at all times during the whole event.

MEDIA ARRANGEMENTS AND SERVICES

(Details to be provided later online.)

LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

Transportation will be provided between Antalya Airport and the Expo venue starting on 25 November 2017. Additional public shuttle services between city center-hotel and hotel-touristic sites to be confirmed

Schedule for transfer service will be shared at a later time point at the Expo website.

Ministerial-level and above participants will be provided a vehicle throughout the event.

Taxis will also be available. Taxi fares between the Antalya Airport and Titanic Deluxe Golf Belek would be 125-150 Turkish Lira (US$ 35-40).
General Participants who require visas to enter Turkey need to obtain them from the nearest Turkish missions abroad through regular channels.

Officially Invited Speakers and Invitees, Valid invitation letters provided by the United Nations should be submitted at the time of application. The applications should be made online prior to submitting the original documents to the Turkish missions. Visas will be issued free of charge to participants.

The participants who prefer to obtain electronic visas should visit the official website www.evisa.gov.tr E-visas cannot be issued free of charge.

Officially Invited Speakers and Invitees who require visas to enter Turkey, yet not able to contact a Turkish mission abroad due to a force majeure, will be able to obtain their visas at the border gates with the supporting documents mentioned above and free of charge. This option should be used as an exceptional case to avoid unnecessary queues at the airport.

The validity period of the passports or travel documents of foreigners wishing to enter Turkey must be at least sixty (60) days longer than their visa, visa exemption period or residence permit.

Please be advised that visas are issued at the discretion of the Government of Turkey. For further information on visa regulations and nationality-specific entry requirements please visit http://www.mfa.gov.tr-visa-information-for-foreigners.en.mfa

Please also remember to check for any transit visas, if necessary.

Special Notice for U.S. Passport Holders: Please refer to official U.S. and Turkish government sources for updated travel information.
Holders of United Nations Laissez-Passer

Please note that Turkey does not recognize the UNLP unless combined with a national passport. Please ensure you travel with both your UNLP and national passport.

Red-colored UNLP holders, on the condition that their total period of stay does not exceed 90 days in the last 180 days, are exempt from a visa in their visits to Turkey.

Blue-colored UNLP holders, on the condition that their total period of stay does not exceed 90 days in the last 180 days, are exempt of visa provided that they certify that they are on official mission. The Expo invitation letter or Mission Letter from your organization certifying you are going for official purposes will serve as proof of official mission.

Please ensure you carry your invitation letter/mission letter with you to present at immigration.
ARRIVAL IN ANTALYA

To facilitate the reception of participants on arrival and departure, an Information Desk will be set up at Antalya Airport. Participants are requested to carry a copy of the Invitation/Mission Letter and/or valid visa with them at all times in addition to their travel documentation, as these documents may requested by the immigration desk on arrival and departure and by the airlines at the final check-in desk before boarding.

In principle, passport/visa controls for those participants who are flying to Antalya via Istanbul (meant the transit flights) will be done in Istanbul. Visa on arrival therefore also must also be obtained in Istanbul. But, for all transit passengers, custom controls will be done at the final domestic destination. i.e. if a participant has planned the flight NY-Istanbul-Antalya, passport/visa controls will be done in Istanbul, custom clearance will be done in Antalya. If a participant is arriving from NY by a nonstop flight directly to Antalya, both passport/visa control and custom clearance will be done in Antalya.

If any participant will carry any goods other than printed materials with them (electronic equipment for special use etc.), please inform Expo Secretariat to take same measures accordingly.
For security and convenience reasons, accommodation at the Titanic Deluxe Golf Belek (the Expo venue) is strongly recommended. Titanic Deluxe Golf Belek is an all-inclusive resort, and as such the room rate includes all meals, drinks, and in-hotel activities.

Participants may benefit from a special room rate. Preferential rates have been negotiated for Expo participants for the period of the Expo (November 25 to December 2). To obtain preferential rates use the promotional code UNSSC2017

Please use the following link to make your reservation: www.titanic.com.tr. Select “Titanic Deluxe Golf Belek”, and enter the dates of your stay and click “Book Now.” Further information on reservations can be found on the Expo website.

Check in is at 14:00 and check out is at 12:00 pm.

All participants should settle their payments with the hotels directly and cover any extra expenses incurred during their stay, such as mini-bar, alcohol, telephone calls, laundry, business centre, spa, etc.

WIFI is available throughout the Titanic Deluxe Golf Belek Convention Center and hotel, and will be open and free.
● Titanic Deluxe Golf Belek ●
Accommodation at Other Hotels

Participants are strongly recommended to stay at the Titanic Deulxe Golf Belek. Special rates have NOT been negotiated with other hotels in the area.

Transportation will NOT be provided to the Expo venue from other hotels. Participants should note that a taxi from Antalya city to the Expo venue will take approximately 30-45 minutes and cost around US$ 40 each way.

● Meals ●

Coffee breaks and lunches during the Conference and workshops will be provided at the meeting site for all participants.

An official Welcome Reception will be hosted by the Government of the Republic of Turkey for participants on the evening on 27 November, 2017.

Titanic Deluxe Golf Belek is an all-inclusive resort, and as such the room rate includes all meals, drinks, and in-hotel activities.

● Lost and Found ●

Inquiries regarding lost property should be addressed to the security desk of the Titanic Deluxe Golf Belek.
HOTEL LOGISTICAL ARRANGEMENTS

Shipping Materials to the Hotel

We advise participants to bring any required Expo materials with them. However, if you plan to ship materials, please arrange shipping in advance to ensure enough time for the customs clearance process. Mark the shipment clearly with "GSSD EXPO 2017, Sender Name, Organization, Contact"

Recipient Contact: Mr. Emin Özerden / Banquet Manager
Address: Titanic Deluxe Golf Belek Hotel / Üçkum Tepesi Beşgöz Cad.
No: 72/1, Kadriye/Belek, Antalya, Turkey

Participants are responsible for arranging for shipping of materials to and back from the Expo venue.
SAFETY AND SECURITY

Antalya carries all the usual safety issues that go along with big cities. In most cases, non-violent property crimes such as theft and pickpocketing are not uncommon; particularly in public traffic and crowded tourist locations. Be alert when approached and asked for directions, do not pick up seemingly lost items. In response to potential unspecified threat of terrorism incidents and ongoing socio-political protest / demonstrations; participants are advised to avoid and limit presence in crowded areas as well as tourist sites. You are advised to carry identity documents at all times and present to security officers upon request.

Standard precautions for your valuables in hotel rooms and at the conference venue are recommended. United Nations personnel on mission are recommended to stay at hotels with possession of earthquake resistance certificate – owing to the country’s susceptibility to earthquake hazard – and adequate safety measures.

In case of safety and security emergency or should you require any other assistance, please contact:

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● INSURANCE ●

The organizer does NOT cover insurance of the participants during their stay in Turkey. Participants are responsible for obtaining all necessary insurance.

● CLIMATE AND CLOTHING ●

The weather in November in Antalya is cooler and wetter than usual. Average daily temperatures range from 9C to 20C (48F to 68F).

● VOLTAGE ●

Turkey operates on 220 volts, 50 Hz, with round-prong European-style plugs that fit into recessed wall sockets/points. Travelers with computers, shavers, tape recorders and other appliances should carry a plug adapter kit.
The official currency in Turkey is the Turkish Lira available in the following denominations: banknotes: 5, 10, 20, 50, 100 and 200 TL; coins: 1, 5, 10, 25, 50 kurus and 1 TL. Cash can usually be exchanged without commission at exchange offices (döviz bürosu), banks and hotels. Exchange rates are published daily in Turkish newspapers and can also be found in the web site of the Turkish Central Bank at http://www.tcmb.gov.tr

**FIRST AID AND HEALTH SERVICES**

An on-site service will provide all first aid facilities at the Convention Center. Ambulance services will be on site should transfer be required to the local hospital. All costs incurred at hospitals or for other medical care will be at each participant’s own expense.

There is no particular need for participants to take specific health precautions. Medical emergency call number is 112. More information is available on: http://www.an-talya112acm.gov.tr/index_eng.aspx
Closest hospitals in the region:

ANTALYA ATATÜRK DEVLET HASTANESİ (Public hospital)
http://antalyaataturkdh.saglik.gov.tr/en/ Anafartalar Cad. (Üçgen mevkii) Muratpaşa Tel: +90 (242) 345 45 50

ANTALYA AKDENİZ ÜNİVERSİTESİ TIP FAKÜLTESİ HASTANESİ (University hospital)
http://www.hastane.akdeniz.edu.tr/
Dumlupınar Bulvarı Akdeniz Üniversitesi Hastanesi 07059, Kampüs Tel: +90 (242) 249 60 00

SERİK DEVLET HASTANESİ (Public hospital)

ÖZEL ASPENDOS ANADOLU HASTANESİ (Private hospital)
http://www.anatoliahospital.com/contact.php?id=6 Orta Mah. Belek Cad. No.100/1 Serik Tel: +90 (242) 722 53 53

Closest Dental Clinic in the region

SERTALYA AĞIZ VE DIŞ SAĞLIĞI POLİKLİNİĞİ (Private clinic) Prof. Dr. Yaşar Uçar
Cad. Üçler İş Hanı D:2, Serik/Antalya Tel: +90 (242) 722 99 77

Closest Pharmacies

EKEN ECZANESİ Belek Girisi Mecek Carsisi Belek-Serik Antalya Tel: +90 (242) 715 18 00

DEVA ECZANESİ
Belek Koyu Belek-Serik Antalya Tel: +90 (242) 715 18 05
ANNEX – MAPS

![Map of Turkish Riviera and Antalya](https:///www.mapsofworld.com/turkey/tourism/antalya.html)
Map of Titanic Belek