FACT SHEET FOR PARTICIPANTS

(Prepared by the Secretariat)
I. **Getting to Monaco**

The Oceanographic Museum is located in the Principality of Monaco which has a total surface of 2 Km$^2$ the second smallest State after the Vatican, and borders the Mediterranean Sea. The Principality is nestled between the Alps and the sea and by the French Riviera to the west and the Italian Riviera to the east. The nearest airport is the French airport of Nice. The distance between Nice and Monaco is approximately 30 km. Getting to Monaco from Aéroport Nice-Côte d’Azur (NCE) is fastest by helicopter, most sensible by airport express bus or train, and cheapest by bus. Taxis and pre-booked airport shuttle van services are convenient for groups and families. Travel times from Nice-Côte d’Azur Airport (NCE) to Monaco without any waiting are: 7 minutes by helicopter, 45 minutes by Express Bus 110 or car, 50 minutes by train and bus, and up to two hours on regular buses.

**Taxis** from Nice-Côte d’Azur Airport (NCE) to Monaco is by the meter but should be around €90, making it a good alternative to the bus for small groups, families, or when traveling at odd hours.

**By bus:** Transdev Nice Airport Express operates regular transfers via the motorway between Nice Côte d’Azur Airport and Monaco (45 minutes). The service runs all year round from 7am to 9pm (departures every 30 minutes). Negotiated rates from the 8th to the 16th of December 2018 are available only online. Please book your tickets through [www.niceairportxpress.com](http://www.niceairportxpress.com) and enter the code MCR2018

**Trains** provide a viable alternative to the Express Bus 110 when traveling between Nice -Côte d’Azur Airport (NCE) and Monaco. Two basic options are available from Nice Airport; taking the bus nr 99 from Terminal 1 to Nice Ville station and there take the train to Monaco Station or walk 15 min from the airport to Nice-St Augustin station (€5) and then take the train to Monaco.

The cheapest way to travel between Nice-Côte d’Azur Airport (NCE) and Monaco is by **regular bus.** From Nice Airport take the bus; 23, 52, 59, or 70 (€1.50) or airport express bus 98 or 99 (€6) to Nice centre and then change to bus 100 to Monaco (€1.50) that runs around four times per hour. Traveling time is around an hour but could be significantly longer in heavy traffic.

Total travel time could be well over two hours and luggage is not very popular on these municipal buses. On bus 100, €1 is charged for a second piece of hand luggage and €5 for a suitcase.

**N100 NocTAM’bus night bus** departs from Terminal 1 on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights at 22:00, 23:30, 1:00 and 2:30 for Monaco and Menton. N100 buses for the airport leaves Menton on the same nights at 23:15, 0:45, 2:15 and 3:45 and pass through Monaco just less than half an hour later. Traveling time from the airport at night is around 40 minutes to Monaco and just over an hour to Menton.
By helicopter with Monacair: Monacair offers to all the attendees of the MOS3 a reduced price for a trip from Nice Airport to Monaco heliport or panoramic flight by helicopter. It is the fastest way to get to Monaco from Nice airport Terminal 1 or Terminal 2, less than 10 minutes. A one-way ticket would be 130€ a person instead of 160€ and a round trip costs 250 € a person instead of 280€. You can book directly on Monacair website www.monacair.mc by entering the PROMO CODE: sharks2018.

Special rate on Monacair Panoramic flights from Monaco: 59EUR per person on a 10 minutes panoramic flight. Bookings : +377 97 97 39 00 / info@monacair.mc

Monaco Public transport system

Bus

Monaco’s bus service offers an excellent service of modern, clean buses that wind and weave around the Principality. Tickets can be purchased on-board from the driver or at the CAM office on Avenue du Président John F Kennedy. There are six bus lines that traverse Monaco and run from around 7am to 9pm, running every ten minutes during peak hours. After 9:30pm, there is a night bus that runs every 30 minutes from the Monaco Ville stop and makes all the main stops. A full schedule and map of the bus lines (and public lifts/escalators) can be found here: https://www.cam.mc

Bateau Bus

Bateau Bus is the bus by sea. The grand and beautiful Port Hercule is just that…grand. It could take a lot of effort and time to walk around the port. But the little boat bus shuttles you straight across from Quai des Etas Unis to the Cruise Terminal. The bus runs every ten minutes from 8am to 8pm and costs the same as a normal bus fare.

II. Meeting Venue

The meeting will take place at The Oceanographic Museum. The Museum is in Monaco-Ville, Monaco.

Address:
The Oceanographic Museum
Avenue Saint-Martin,
98000 Monaco
Tel. + 377 93 15 36 00
Website: https://www.oceano.mc/en

Built on the cliffside 85 metres above the water, the museum is situated next to the Prince’s Palace, providing a breath-taking view of Monaco and the Mediterranean.
III.  **Registration**

Registration will start at 08.00 on 10.12.2018 at our venue.
IV. **Hotel Accommodation**

1. **Hotel information for funded participants:**
Funded participants will receive full DSA and are asked to make their own hotel reservations (see point 2 below).

2. **Hotel rooms for non-funded participants:**
Please find attached a list of hotel suggestions below. Please note that the Secretariat has not made a block-booking in any of the hotels.

**Hôtel Hermitage Monte-Carlo*******
Square Beaumarchais,  
98000 Monaco,  
Tel. +377 98 06 40 00  

**Port Palace Hôtel******
7 Avenue J.F. Kennedy,  
98000 Monaco  
Tel. +377 97 97 90 00  
Web site: [https://portpalace.net/](https://portpalace.net/)

**Columbus Hotel Monte-Carlo***
23 Avenue des Papalins,  
98000 Monaco,  
Tel. +377 92 05 90 00  

**Hôtel Ambassador Monaco***
10 Avenue Prince Pierre,  
98000 Monaco,  
Tel. +377 97 97 96 96  

**Hotel Novotel Monte Carlo***
16 Boulevard Princesse Charlotte,  
98000 Monaco  
Tel. +377 99 99 83 00  

**Hotel de France **
6 Rue de la Turbie,  
98000 Monaco  
Tel. +377 93 30 24 64  
Hotels in France at the border with Monaco

Hôtel Forum ***
16 avenue d'Alsace,
06240 Beausoleil, France
Tel. +33 (0)4 93 78 96 36
Contact: info@forumhotel.net
Web site: www.forumhotel.net

Riviera Marriott Hotel ****
Port de Cap-d'Ail
06230 Cap-d'Ail, France
Tel. +33 (0)4 92 10 67 67
Web site: www.marriottportedemonaco.com

APARTHOTEL Monte-Cristo *** - ADAGIO -
Rue des Martyrs de la Résistance,
06240 Beausoleil, France
Tel. +33 (0)4 92 10 52 50
Contact: corporate.monaco@adagio-city.com

Résidence "Les Hauts de la Principauté" *** - Odalys
31 boulevard du Général Leclerc,
06240 Beausoleil, France
Tel. +33 (0)4 97 07 14 86
Contact: principaute@odalys.fr
Web site: www.odalys-vacances.com

V. Weather

In December, Monte Carlo still has an average of 6 hours of sunshine a day. The average temperature is 12°C (54°F).

However, do not forget to bring your raincoat, umbrella and a pullover since the weather is at best unpredictable and it can be cool.

VI. Currency

Monaco’s currency is the Euro (€). As of 25 June 2018, the exchange rate was € 0.86 for 1 USD.
VII. Voltage and Type of Pins

In Monaco the power sockets are of type E and F. The standard voltage is 230 V and the standard frequency is 50 Hz.

- Type E: this type is of French origin. This socket also works with plug C and with plug F if it has an additional pinhole.

- Type F: also known as "Schuko". This socket also works with plug C and plug E.

VIII. Visas

Upon request, an official letter of invitation will be sent to participants. This can be attached to the French visa application. Visas can be obtained from your nearest French Embassy or Consulate. Monaco does not have a visa policy of its own and the Schengen Visa policy applies. Although Monaco is not part of the European Union, or the Schengen Agreement, its territory is part of the Schengen Area by virtue of its customs-union with France. Information and addresses can be downloaded from this website: http://fr.embassyinformation.com/. If you have any difficulties obtaining a visa, please contact the Secretariat: cms.secretariat@cms.int.

IX. Working language of the meeting

The meeting will be conducted in English, French and Spanish, with interpretation during plenary sessions.

X. Internet

Wi-Fi will be provided free of charge in the meeting room and for the duration of the meeting.
XI. **Identification badges**

All participants will receive an identification badge to access the venue. You are requested to wear this badge during your stay at the Venue.

XII. **Time zone**

Monaco is in the Central European Time zone. GMT +1 hour

XIII. **Information on Monaco**

For information on Monaco and its region please refer to: [https://www.visitmonaco.com](https://www.visitmonaco.com)

XIV. **Useful Numbers**

Country dialling code: +377

Emergency: 112

For medical advice: 116 117

For non-emergency incidents: +377 97 98 99 00

UNEP/CMS Secretariat: +49 228 815 2401