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PRESENTATION OF MAURITANIA

Mauritania, at the crossroads of North Africa and sub-Saharan Africa, is a country of vast landscapes blending dunes, wild coastlines, oases and rocky plateaus. A land of cultural diversity, it cherishes nomadic traditions, fishing, livestock herding and the legacy of trans-Saharan trade.

Birthplace of UNESCO-listed historic cities, it was once a great centre of knowledge and commerce. Its national parks, including the Banc d'Arguin, showcase remarkable biodiversity and a commitment to sustainable development. Today, the country balances tradition and modernity around cooperation and the blue economy.

In April, the climate is hot, dry and very sunny. In Nouakchott, the heat is tempered by the sea breeze, with night temperatures around 21–23 °C. Light but covering clothing, a hat, sunglasses and adequate sun protection are recommended.

Average temperatures range between 23 °C and 34 °C, though they can drop as low as 18 °C or rise to 40 °C depending on the year.



Welcome

All international flights arriving in Nouakchott land at Nouakchott Oumtounsy International Airport. A taxi service is available outside the airport. The fare between the airport and the hotel ranges from 1,000 to 2,000 MRU (approximately €25 to €50). Please note that taxis are not equipped with card payment terminals.

A welcome committee will be present at the airport to assist with the usual formalities. The airport does not have currency exchange offices, so participants are advised to bring some cash in advance.

For participants supported by PRCM, a shuttle service between the airport and the hotel will be available.



DEVISE

The local currency is the Ouguiya (MRU). However, some prices may still be quoted in the old currency (MRO), which is equal to one tenth of the MRU. It is therefore important to always check and confirm whether a price is in the old or new currency.

Exchange rates as of 1 April 2026:

- 1 Euro = 45.4273 MRU
- 1 US Dollar = 39.5622 MRU

Payments are made primarily in cash, as card payments are rarely accepted outside the major hotels in Nouakchott. Participants are therefore advised to carry local currency.





VISAS

Participants who require a visa to enter Mauritania must obtain an electronic visa authorisation (e-visa) before travelling.

Applications must be submitted online via the official website:

<https://anrpts.gov.mr/fr/visa/requestvisa>

It is essential to follow the instructions provided during the application process carefully.

An invitation letter is required to support the application. Requests for invitation letters should be sent to: forum@prcmarine.org

Once your application has been submitted, please notify PRCM to facilitate follow-up with the relevant authorities. Please note that the e-visa is issued online, but payment is made upon arrival at Nouakchott International Airport.

Participants whose expenses are covered by PRCM will be reimbursed for their visa costs upon presentation of the payment receipt.

OPENING AND REGISTRATION

Participants may begin their registration and collect their badges from Saturday, 26 April 2026 at 09:00, at the Hôtel Nouakchott, in the areas indicated on-site.

Participants who have not yet paid their registration fee may do so on-site at the time of registration. Payments may be made in cash (local currency) or by bank card. The fees are as follows:

- Non-PRCM member participants: €200
- PRCM member participants: €150
- Mauritanian participants and students: €50



ACCOMMODATION & DSA

Participants whose expenses are covered by PRCM will be accommodated at the hotels communicated to them. They will receive DSA (Daily Subsistence Allowances) upon arrival in Nouakchott to cover expenses not included in the accommodation package. Please retain your boarding passes, which must be submitted to the finance team for DSA payment.

For participants not covered by PRCM, a list of hotels is available on the Forum website: <https://forum.prcmarine.org/hotels/>. You may make your own reservation by contacting the hotels directly.

For assistance from the organising committee, please contact Ms Sokhna Ndiaye at sokhna.ndiaye@prcmarine.org.

For further information, please contact the Forum Secretariat at: forum@prcmarine.org



CATERING

Lunch and coffee breaks will be served on-site throughout the forum.

Any additional expenses (beverages, meals, laundry, etc.) must be paid directly to the hotel by participants.

You will also find several restaurants outside the hotel offering a variety of options. Payment is generally made in cash.



WORKING LANGUAGES

Plenary sessions during the Forum will be conducted in French, English and Arabic, with simultaneous interpretation provided.

Stands

Participants who wish to offer a coffee break at their stand are required to submit a request to the organizing committee.

FORUM AGENDA

The full programme of the Forum is available online at: <https://forum.prcmarine.org/program/>



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