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WELTGESUNDHEITSORGANISATION REGIONALBÜRO FÜR EUROPA ВСЕМИРНАЯ ОРГАНИЗАЦИЯ ЗДРАВООХРАНЕНИЯ **ЕВРОПЕЙСКОЕ РЕГИОНАЛЬНОЕ БЮРО** 

School on Refugee and Migrant Health

6 August 2018

Palermo, Italy 24–28 September 2018

#### INFORMATION CIRCULAR

Dear Participant,

We are pleased to provide you with the following information regarding the practical arrangements for the above School.

# 1. Site of the meeting: Splendid Hotel La Torre

Address: Via Piano di Gallo, 11, 90151 Palermo PA, Italien

Telephone: +39 091 450222

Website: https://latorrehotel.it/ Email: latorre@latorrehotel.it

#### 2. Language

The School will be conducted in English.

# 3. Registration, opening session and closure

Registration of participants will take place at the event venue on the opening day from 08:30 and the event will begin at 09:00 with the opening session. It is expected that the School will close not later than 16:30 on Friday 28 September 2018.

## 4. Working hours

The working hours will be from 09:00 to 17:00, with a 30-minute healthy break in the morning session and a one-hour lunch break from 13:30 to 14:30. Working hours of Wednesday will differ because of the field trip and departure time is scheduled at 08:00.

#### 5. Documentation

Documentation concerning the course will be sent to participants via email prior to the start of the School and also be available through the website. Printed copies of the key documents will also be provided to participants at the registration.

#### 6. Accommodation and meals

The meeting will be held at Splendid Hotel La Torre, in Mondello near Palermo. Participants are responsible for making their own hotel booking; therefore, arranging accommodation in Mondello is advisable.

To finding accommodation, a list of hotels close to the venue is given below:

Hotel Name	Distance to Venue
Al Baglio	350 m
Mondello Beach Holyday	600 m
Mondello Palace Hotel	1.2 km
Conchigla D'oro	2.1 km
Hotel Villa Esperia	2.3 km
Casa Vacanze Mondello	2.5 km
Case Valdesi	2.5 km
Addaura Hotel	3.4 km
Villa Gilda	4.6 km

Please note that WHO is not responsible for the availability or quality of any hotel services provided.

Healthy breaks and lunch buffet will be offered for the duration of the School and a reception will be organized on Monday 24 September at Palazzo Steri in Palermo. Shuttle buses will be provided from the School venue to the reception and return.

#### 7. Travel tickets

Will be self-purchased.

#### 8. Visa

Please check with your travel agent if a visa is required for your travel to the meeting. If so, kindly apply for one as soon as possible. The letter of invitation to participate in the meeting should facilitate the issuance of your visa.

## 9. Currency

The Italian currency is the euro.

## 10. How to get to Palermo and meeting venue

#### <u>Airport</u>

 Falcone-Borsellino Airport, simply known as Palermo Airport (or under the old name of Punta Raisi Airport) is situated 35 km northwest of Palermo, the capital of Sicily Region.
 Distance from airport to the venue is approximately 25 km.

## By taxi from the airport

■ The taxi service from the airport is found at the exit from the Arrivals Hall near the arrivals board with times of flights. It takes around 25 minutes to arrive in Mondello area with a cost of approximately 35€.

#### 11. Transport to the field trip

#### Wednesday 26 September 2018

The shuttle bus departs from the meeting venue at 08:00 to Trapani. The return from Trapani is at 18:00.

#### 12. Social activities/climate

Social activities will be organized by our hosts. Please make sure you register for activities of interest at the meeting venue.

At this time of year, the climate is generally hot, Mediterranean, with average temperature of 25°C and highs of 27°C. For more information, please view: https://www.holidayweather.com/palermo/averages/september/

#### 13. Return travel arrangements

It is advisable that you make your homeward travel arrangements prior to your departure from home as it may not be possible or convenient to do it during the meeting.

We hope we have covered all the administrative points you need to know in connection with the summer school. Should you have any queries, however, please do not hesitate to contact us by email at <a href="mailto:euwhoeurosummerschool@who.int">euwhoeurosummerschool@who.int</a>.

#### 14. Contact in Italy

Should you need to urgently contact the organizers upon your arrival or during your stay in Italy, please contact:

# Simona Melki, <u>melkis@who.int</u>, +46 73 903 23 98

# 15. Emergency telephone numbers

Police (Carabineri) 112

General Emergency (Soccorso pubblico di emergenza) 113

Fire brigade (Vigili del fuoco) 115

Ambulance/Medical Emergencies (Emergenza sanitaria) 118