

WG10/N261

**Title: Accommodation and Joining Instructions
WG10 Meeting
Tel-Aviv
23-27 March 1999**

Source: WG10 Convenor

Action: Information

Date: 23 October 1998

The next meeting of WG10 will be held in Tel-Aviv, Israel 23-27 March 1999.
The meeting agenda is distributed separately.

Below are the meeting location, hotel and reservation details.

- Meeting Date:** 1999-03-23-27
- Location:** The Standards Institution of Israel (SII)
42 Chaim Levanon St.
Tel-Aviv 69977
Tel.: +972-3-646-5154
Fax: +972-3-641-2762
- Hotels:**
- 1) Ramada Continental Hotel
121 Hayarkon St.
Tel-Aviv 63453 ISRAEL
Tel. +972-3-521-5555
Fax: +972-3-521-5688
 - 2) Hotel Metropolitan
11-15 Trumpeldor St.
Tel-Aviv 63803 ISRAEL
Tel.: +972-3-519-2727
Fax: +972-3-517-2626
- Room Rates:**
- 1) Ramada Continental Hotel
Rates (including buffet breakfast and 15% Service charge):
Comfort Plus: Single - \$135, Double - \$165
Club Room: Single - \$160; Double - \$180
 - 2) Hotel Metropolitan
Rates (including breakfast):
Single - \$87; Double - \$108
- Booking:** In order to qualify for the special room rates, please contact the hotel of your choice directly, and please specify that you are attending the iSC7 Working Group meeting.
- Cut-off Date for Booking:** Due to limited room availability, please register by February 1, 1999 in order to guarantee space.
- Booking Confirmation:** Cancellations (without charge) will be accepted up to 48 hours prior to arrival. For cancellations less than 48 hours prior to scheduled arrival, one night's cost will be charged to your credit card.

Hotel Location:

In the heart of Tel-Aviv, within walking distance of colorful Dizengoff street shopping, entertainment, cafes and restaurants. The Ramada Continental Hotel overlooks the Mediterranean sea shore, and the Hotel Metropolitan is nearby. The city's business district is just a short distance away. The SII, where the working group meetings are to be held, is about six kilometers/four miles from the hotels, a 10-15 minute taxi ride.

Tel-Aviv:

A predominantly modern city, Tel Aviv presents a skyscraper facade along Hayarkon Street, which fronts the coast and contains the city's major hotels. The leading commercial enterprises are located to the east. By contrast, the ancient port city of Jaffa, is medieval in appearance.

The economic, financial, commercial, and cultural center of Israel, Tel Aviv is also a transportation hub and the main center of the nation's tourist trade. Easy access to all points of

interest within the country is provided by rail connections to Jerusalem, Haifa, and Beersheba and by an extensive bus network operating out of the city.

Tel Aviv and Israel are connected to the rest of the world via the international airport at Lod, 14 km (9 mi.) south-east of the city; the port of Ashdod, 31 km (19 mile) to the south; and the port of Haifa, 80 km (50 mi.) to the north-east. The location of about 50 percent of Israel's industrial plants in Tel Aviv makes it the country's principal manufacturing center. Industries include textiles, chemicals, metals and engineering products, vehicles, electric and electronic equipment, high tech, furniture and wood products, food and tobacco processing, diamond polishing, and printing and publishing.

The Tel Aviv stock exchange is Israel's only such institution, and most banks, insurance companies, and other large corporations are headquartered there. Tel Aviv is the home of Tel Aviv University, as well as of the Israeli national theater, Habimah, and the Israel Philharmonic. The Tel Aviv Museum, the Ha'aretz Museum, the Museum of the Diaspora, and a zoo add to the cultural life of the city.

Jerusalem, the capital of Israel, is about 62 km (39 mi.) from Tel-Aviv. We are tentatively planning a tour of Jerusalem. Details about this as well as other tour options prior to and following the meeting will be provided at a later date.

Airport:

Ben Gurion Int'l (20 kilometers/30 minutes) - take Ayalon Highway (highway #1), exit at Railway-Station (**Rakevet-Arlozerov EXIT**), follow Arlozoroff Street WEST to the end.

Bus (45 minutes/ approx. \$7.00)

Taxi (30 minutes/ approx. \$20.00)

General Information:

http://www.yahoo.com/Regional/Countries/Israel/Districts_and_Regions/Tel_Aviv/Cities/Tel_Aviv/

<http://cnn.com/TRAVEL/CITY.GUIDES/WORLD/Middle.east/israel/>

Exchange Rate:

The exchange rate is currently undergoing a major change. It had been approximately 3.8 - 3.9 NIS (New Israeli Shekel) to one US dollar, but took a big jump last week to about 4.3. In any case, banks and ATMs - including those at the airport - will quote the official rate, which is standard across all financial institutions. Many taxis and businesses will accept US dollars directly. All major credit cards are widely accepted and will likely give you the best fee-free net exchange rate.

Restaurants in Tel-Aviv:

<http://www.inisrael.com/tour/telaviv/outing/tel.htm>

Weather:

http://weather.yahoo.com/forecast/Tel_Aviv_IS_c.html



Metro Executive Club
מועדון מטרו לאנשי עסקים



Hotel Metropolitan
מלון מטרופוליטן

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REGISTRATION FORM

To: Hotel Metropolitan, Tel Aviv, Israel. Tel. No. +972-3-5192727,
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Kindly make the following reservation:

Surname:

First Name:

Address:

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Country:

Tel. No.:

Fax No.:

Room on B/B basis: Single - US\$ 87.00 Double - US\$ 108.00

Dates: From..... Until.....

Credit Card Name & No.

Expiry Date:

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Signature

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Date

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