

Travel and Vital Information for Invited Participants at the
UN/Nigeria Workshop on International Space Weather Initiative
hosted by the Center for Basic Space Science
of the National Space Research and Development Agency
on behalf of the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
(17-21 October 2011, Abuja, Nigeria)

Emergency phone numbers: If you have difficulties en route or need to reach LOC personnel while you are in Nigeria, please use the following phone numbers:

Hotel: Reiz Continental Hotel Phone number : [234-9-6419110](tel:234-9-6419110), 234-(0) 803966940, 234-(0) 8073190331

Contact Person1: Bona Okere Phone number 234-(0) 8064662538

Contact Person2: Ossai Phone number 234-(0) 8030493179

Contact Person3: Kayode Falayi Phone number 234- (0) 8130567592

About Abuja: Abuja is the Federal Capital of Nigeria. It is also known as the major city within the Federal Capital Territory FCT. It is the most beautiful city in Nigeria. The modern landscape and effective town planning in Abuja is a masterpiece. Some airlines have direct flight to Abuja.

Weather at Abuja: Abuja experiences three weather conditions annually. This includes a warm, humid rainy season and a extremely hot dry season. In between these seasons, there is a short period of harmattan accompanied by the North East Trade Wind, with the main feature of dust haze, intensified coldness and dryness.

The rainy season begins from April and ends in October, when daytime temperatures reach 28-30 degrees and night time lows range around 22-23 degrees. In the dry season, daytime temperatures can soar reach 40 degrees and night time temperatures can drop to 12 degrees, resulting in chilly evenings. Even the chilliest nights can be followed by daytime temperatures well above 30 degrees.

The high altitudes and rolling terrain of Abuja act as moderating influence on the weather of the territory. Rainfall in Abuja reflects the territory's location on the windward side of the Jos Plateau and the zone of rising air masses. The annual total rainfall is in the region of 1100 mm to 1600 mm.

The temperature within Abuja and the environs varies between 22 and 29° Celsius in October. It is the end of rainy season.



Language: The official language of Nigeria is English. Almost everyone involved in public transaction will speak some English. Aside this, Nigeria is a multi-ethnic society with about 250 Ethnic groups each with different language.

Venue of the Workshop: The UN/Nigeria ISWI Workshop shall hold at:

Reiz Continental Hotel ,

Plot 779,Cadastral Zone A0,Central District, Abuja, Nigeria

Tel: [234-9-6419110](tel:234-9-6419110), 234-803 96 6940, 234-807 319 0331

Emails : info@reizcontinentalhotels.com, reizcontinentalhotelabuja@yahoo.com,
reservation@reizcontinentalhotels.com Website: www.reizcontinentalhotels.com

Hall of meetings and seminars has been reserved within the hotel premises for convenience.

Accommodation:

Participants without support

Participants without UN support should contact the hotel directly for reservations. LOC can assist in making the reservation at the expense of such participants.

Foreign participants with UN travel support

Foreign participants with UN travel support shall be provided with accommodation within the venue of the Workshop; i.e. at Reiz Intercontinental hotel

Nigerian participants with full support

Nigerian participants with full support shall be provided with accommodation and feeding at the Harmonia Hotels, Plot 896, Gimbiya Street /3 Onitsha Crescent, Area 11 Garki, Abuja - Tel:08072022490. Go straight to the hotels

Arrival date: The arrival date is Sunday 16th October 2011 for all participants

Registration: The registration desk will be available from 2 p.m., October 16th. Participants shall be registered and issued their workshop materials on arrival. The workshop shall kick off on Monday 17th October 2011 after a brief opening ceremony.

Logistics for International Participants:

Option1: International participants should fly directly into the Nnamdi Azikwe International Airport Abuja from their airport of destination. The placard at the arrival hall at the Abuja Airport shall read ISWI.

Option 2: Some international participants who may not have direct flight to Abuja can fly to Murtala Mohammed International Airport, Lagos. As guests arrive Murtala Mohammed International Airport, Lagos, Staff of CBSS (Host Institution) will be on hand to receive and guide you to a connecting flight to Abuja International Airport, Abuja. The placard at the arrival hall at the Lagos Airport shall read ISWI. **Participants are advised to ensure that they book and confirmed their flights to Abuja before taking off from their respective countries. LOC would not be responsible for anybody's flight.** All we need is for all participants to send to us their flight schedule.

Ground Transportation from Nnamdi Azikwe International Airport, Abuja to Reiz Continental, Abuja: Participants arriving at Abuja airport shall be received by members of LOC and guided into a ready bus/cab for transportation to the venue of the meeting, i.e. Reiz Continental. The placard at the arrival hall at the Abuja Airport shall read ISWI.

For Nigerian Participants

Ground Transportation within Abuja: Nigerian Participants arriving at Abuja should take drop to Harmonia Hotels Garki II, Abuja, from wherever car park you alighted. The fare varies but may not be more than 400 Naira per drop within Abuja metropolis. Participants arriving Abuja by flight should notify the LOC of their flight schedule so that they can be received at the Airport as appropriate.

If you have any enquiry please contact any of the contacts listed above.

If you are sending any email, please send directly to Bona Okere (LOC@un_iswi_nigeria.ng). You may wish to copy (tunderabiu@yahoo.com)

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Please forward this pdf to workshop participants who may not be receiving this newsletter.

At that time, please encourage such persons to subscribe to this newsletter. It is the main vehicle used to distribute information inside of the ISWI community.

: Sincerely,
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: George Maeda
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: Editor of the ISWI Newsletter
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: 22 September 2011.