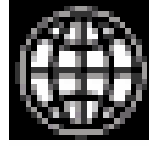




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### **Inception & Training Workshop**

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- Reservations have been made for all participants residing outside of Cairo at the Nile Hilton from April 1 through April 6, 2007.
- For any travel-related questions, the focal point in New York is Ms. Fatoumata Diop, Finance Associate at UNDP/RBAS ([fatoumata.diop@undp.org](mailto:fatoumata.diop@undp.org); telephone: 1-212-906-5453), while the workshop focal point in Cairo is Mr. Tarek Talaat ([tarek.talaat@undp.org](mailto:tarek.talaat@undp.org)).
- Each country team is expected to make a 20-minute presentation addressing: a) the state of MDG achievement in their countries (evolution during 1990-2006, challenges and prospects), b) past and future policies for MDG achievement (are there studies on this?), and c) relevance of the project for MDG policy making in their country and possible changes that they think may make it more relevant. To elaborate on point c), country teams will need to read some of the project's training material posted in this website, especially the project's terms of reference and the MAMS model documentation.
- Country teams will meet with the coordinating team in organized sessions in which they are expected to elaborate further on their data availability along the lines of the data questionnaire that they had filled out and the Excel data file of the MAMS model that was distributed on 19 March, 2007 – the prototype data questionnaire and the data file can also be downloaded from this website.
- To make the most of the training sessions participants are expected to bring their own computers and country teams are strongly advised to compile and bring to the workshop as much available data as is possible (definitely the Social Accounting Matrix).