

**Regional Workshop in support of the development of the
third World Ocean Assessment for the region of the
North Atlantic, the Baltic Sea, the Mediterranean Sea, and the Black Sea**

Lisbon, Portugal (25–27 September 2023)

**Information for participants
Note by the secretariat of the Regular Process**

I. Background

1. The programme of work for the period 2021-2025 for the third cycle of the Regular Process for Global Reporting and Assessment of the State of the Marine Environment, including Socioeconomic Aspects (the “Regular Process”), endorsed by the United Nations General Assembly, includes in the activities for 2023 the holding of regional workshops in support of the development of the third World Ocean Assessment.

II. Host, venue and date of the Workshops

2. The Government of Portugal offered to host a Workshop to support development of the third World Ocean Assessment of the United Nations Regular Process, from 25 to 27 September 2023. It will cover the region of the North Atlantic, the Baltic Sea, the Mediterranean Sea, and the Black Sea and will be held under the auspices of the United Nations and is organised by the Government of Portugal.
3. The Workshop will take place at the facilities of the Lisbon Oceanario and will start at 9:00 am on 25 September and end at 6:00 pm on 27 September 2023.

Venue: Lisbon Oceanario

Address: Esplanada Dom Carlos I s/nº, 1990-005 Lisboa, Portugal

Website: <https://www.oceanario.pt/en/visit/plan-your-visit/how-to-get-there/>

III. Agenda of the Workshop

4. The provisional agenda of the Workshop, together with relevant documentation, will be posted prior to the Workshops on the website of the Regular Process: <https://www.un.org/regularprocess/second-round-regional-workshops-2023>.

IV. Interpretation

5. The Workshop will be conducted in English.
6. Any participant may make a statement in a language other than English. In that case, the participant must provide either interpretation services or a written text of the statement in English. The interpreted version of the statement or the translated version of the written text submitted in English will be considered to be the official text of the statement.

V. Preliminary information and output of the Workshop

7. The official documentation of the Workshop will be issued in English.
8. The presentations delivered will be made publicly available on the Regular Process website.

VI. List of participants

9. The secretariat of the Regular Process, with the support of the Government of Portugal, will publish a list of participants at the Workshop.

VII. Visa requirements

10. Please check visa requirements, as applicable, for Portugal. It is the responsibility of participants to advise the secretariat of the Regular Process if further assistance is required.

VIII. Climate and clothing

11. The climate of Lisbon, Portugal, generally remains warm in the month of September, with the average temperatures ranging from 17.6°C (low) to 26.5°C (high).

IX. Voltage

12. Portugal operates on 230V supply voltage and 50Hz. There are two associated plug types, types C and F.



X. Currency

13. The official currency of Portugal is euro.

XI. Health

14. It is participants' responsibility to find out whether they need medical insurance for the duration of the Workshop.
15. You are solely responsible for ensuring that you meet the requirements for both proof of COVID-19 vaccination and pre-travel COVID-19 testing established by the airlines, as well by Portugal for entry into the country. Please note that the secretariat of the Regular Process cannot answer your questions about vaccination and entry requirements. Should you not be in a position to travel to Portugal, please inform the secretariat of the Regular Process immediately, and before your ticket is issued.

XII. Additional information

16. Information on the Workshop can be accessed at the Regular Process website: <https://www.un.org/regularprocess/second-round-regional-workshops-2023>.
17. For participants whose travel is funded by the United Nations, additional information regarding travel arrangements will be communicated directly to them by the secretariat of the Regular Process.

XIII. Arrival in Lisbon, and local transportation

18. Participants are kindly requested to make their own transportation arrangements from the airport to their hotel and during their stay in Portugal.

XIV. Directions from the airport to the venue

19. Lisbon Oceanario is located at Esplanada Dom Carlos I s/nº, 1990-005 Lisboa, in Parque das Nações. Further information can be found here: <https://www.oceanario.pt/en/visit/plan-your-visit/how-to-get-there/>.
 - When arriving in the **Aeroporto Humberto Delgado** (Lisbon International Airport), you can find the access to the metro. A single underground ticket costs around €2.

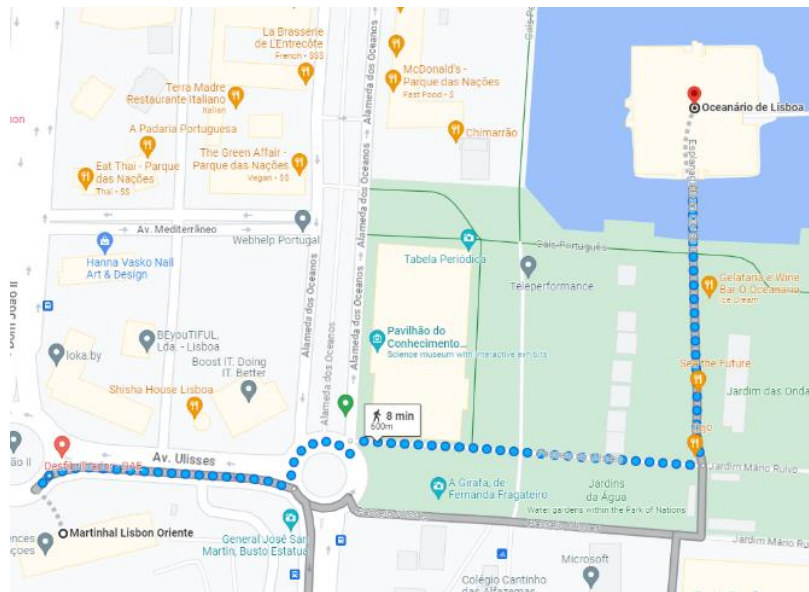
From the **Airport Station** you can take the metro (**red line - direction S. Sebastião Station**) and exit at “**Oriente Station**”, where you will be at a walking distance (~10 min) to the workshop venue.

- Taxis and other private transportation (Uber, Bolt, etc.) are also available from the Humberto Delgado Airport.

XV. Hotel accommodation

20. Suggested hotels close to the venue are as follows:

- **Martinhal Lisbon Oriente** – www.martinhal.com/pt/resorts/martinhal-residences/
(10% discount over Best Available Rate for participants)
 - o **Contact:** Ms. Patrícia Rodrigues – patricia.rodrigues@martinhal.com; +351 911 931 732
 - o **Address:** Praça do Príncipe Perfeito, 1990-221 Lisboa.



- **Tivoli Oriente Lisboa Hotel** – www.tivolihotels.com/en/tivoli-orient
(10% discount over Best Available Rate for participants)
 - o **Contact:** Ms. Ana Paula Correia – a.correia@tivoli-hotels.com; +351 213 198 322
 - o **Address:** Av. Dom João II, 1990-083 Lisboa.

