

XLII ANTARCTIC TREATY CONSULTATIVE MEETING PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC 1ST JULY - 11TH JULY 2019

SECRETARIAT NOTE No. 7 - DELEGATES HANDBOOK

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The purpose of the last Secretariat Note is to inform you about practical arrangements regarding the Meeting and to provide you with general information about Prague and the Czech Republic.

The Meeting starts in two weeks and all the documents for the Meeting are already available on the ATS website. Given the number of documents, we believe that we will have fruitful discussions.

On-line registration for the meeting

We would like to take this opportunity to remind delegations that registration for participation in the ATCM is still open and will be **closed on Friday 21st June 2019**. Delegations should use the on-line registration system provided by the Antarctic Treaty Secretariat. On-line registration must be done through the Parties' Contact Administrator who has the username and password required for access to the on-line registration system at:

https://42atcm.ats.aq/

For completing the on-line registration, you will have to upload a photo, unless you have already provided it to the system previously.

Registration of delegates will also be possible at the meeting venue, starting from the afternoon of Sunday 30th June. However, delegates are encouraged to register on-line, in advance of ATCM XLII, to facilitate the preparations for the meeting.

Upon arrival at the Top Hotel Praha, delegates and participants are kindly requested to contact the ATCM XLII Information/Registration Desk to confirm the registration and pick up their welcome package. The Information/Registration Desk will be located opposite the Reception Desk of the hotel, on the left side from the main entrance. It will be open for business from 1:00 pm to 6:30 pm on Sunday 30th June 2019 and from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm every day throughout the event.

Visa

Further, we would like to remind Parties that the registered delegates to the ATCM who are citizens of countries subject to visa requirements should apply for visa at a respective Czech diplomatic mission or consular post. Please note that visa cannot be issued upon arrival to the Czech Republic.



The basic overview of visa requirements for States Parties to the Antarctic Treaty is available at the website of ATCM XLII (section "Info for Delegates").

To facilitate the issuance of visas, the visa application should be accompanied with the e-mail letter which the delegates receive upon registration or a copy of this Secretariat Note. It is also recommended that the applications for visa are submitted in sufficient advance, so that they can be processed in time.

Detailed information on visa requirements are available at the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic (www.mzv.cz, section "Entry & Residence").

Transport in Prague

Moreover, we have a pleasure to inform Parties that, as a courtesy of the host city, delegates of ATCM XLII will be given free ticket for public transport in Prague for the whole duration of the Meeting. Detailed information of Prague public transport can be found on the website of ATCM XLII (https://atcm42-prague.cz/, section "Info for Delegates").

Delegates Handbook

In order to assist you with arranging your stay in Prague, to help you to navigate to the venue of the ATCM and facilitate your preparations, please find attached a practical Delegates Handbook which will be also distributed to you as a part of your welcome package.

Should you need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

We look forward to welcoming you in Prague in two weeks!

Have a safe journey.

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