GSICS EP MEETING VENUE

The meeting will be held at the Mercure Sophia Antipolis, Biot, France.

The contact details are:

Mercure Sophia Antipolis Rue Albert Caquot 06560 VALBONNE - FRANCE

Telephone : (+33)4/92960404 E-mail : H1122@accor.com

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

A block booking arrangement for accommodation has been made at the meeting venue, the Mercure Sophia Antipolis.

EUMETSAT has made a block booking at a discounted price of 135€ per night for single occupancy.

Block booking is immediately available and will be available until 15 April 2016, after this date availability cannot be guaranteed.

If you would like to make use of the block booking arrangements please complete the booking form found in this information pack and return to the hotel directly.



BOOKING FORM EUMETSAT - CGMS and GSICS EP Meeting - June 2016

For your reservation at the hotel Mercure Sophia Antipolis, thank you for returning this reservation form:

• by e-mail h1122@accor.com

GUEST DETAILS:		
Guest name:		
Address:		
Phone:		
E-mail:		
DESERVATION:		
RESERVATION:		
Single room	135.00 €	
Breakfast	included	
City Tax	1.30 €	
Arrival date:	2016	
Departure date:		
SALES CONDITIONS:		
Cancellation Delay: No cancellation charge applies prior 15th April 2016. Cancellation Policy: In case of cancellation between 15th April and 15th May, 50% of the stay will be charged by debit on your credit card. After 15th May, the full booking (100%) will be charged by debit of credit card. No show: In case of no show or earlier departure, the full booking will be charged by debit of credit card. Guarantee policy: All reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card valid at the date of the start of your stay. Payment: All charges have to settle upon departure directly at the hotel front desk. After April 15 th 2016 the reservations will be on request only.		
GUARANTEE RESERVATION:		
	CARD AMERICAN EXPRESS DINERS	
Credit card number:		
Expiration date:		
Name of the card holder:		
Date:	Signature of the card holder preceded by the words "read and approved"	
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LOCAL TRANSFER

By taxi from Nice Côte d'Azur airport

The easiest option for travelling from the airport to the Mercure Sophia Antipolis is by car. The hotel is located approximately 20km from the airport. Transfers can be booked in advance with the following recommended supplier:

Riviera Driver

Email: contact@rivieradriver.com

Telephone: +33 4 93 32 11 50/+33 6 89 95 80 77

When booking, please be sure to indicate your flight details and time of arrival.

By public transport

The closest railway station to the Mercure Sophia Antipolis is in Antibes. From there you would need to take a taxi transfer to reach the hotel.

Directions for travelling car

If you are arriving from Nice

Follow the signs to the highway A8 and then enter the highway in the direction of Cannes/Antibes.

Follow the highway and then take exit 44 signposted for Antibes.

Follow the signs to "Sophia Antipolis/Biot".

Look out for signs to "<u>LES LUCIOLES</u>" ACCESS 16 and follow the road until you reach the "Albert Caquot" roundabout and go down Rue Albert Caquot

If you are arriving from Cannes

Follow the signs to the highway A8 and then enter the highway in the direction of Antibes/Nice.

Follow the highway and then take exit 44 signposted for Antibes-Sophia Antipolis

Follow the signs to "Sophia Antipolis/Valbonne".

Look out for signs to "LES LUCIOLES 2" ACCESS 4 and follow the road until you reach the "Albert Caquot" roundabout and go down rue Albert Caquot

The hotel is situated 300m on the right side.

GENERAL INFORMATION Biot, France

Tourist information

Near Biot lies the Sophia Antipolis technology park, the French Riviera's answer to California's Silicon Valley, which employs many expatriates. As a result the area tends to have a large proportion of foreigners all the year round. This can make things easier for visitors who are nervous about their (lack of) French skills.

The following websites provide abundant tourist information on Biot and the Côte d'Azur, France www.visit-biot.com

http://www.frenchriviera-tourism.com/where-to-go/biot-biot-N4fiche_VEVPAC0060000166-rub_99.html

http://www.cote.azur.fr/ville biot 1058 lang en.htm

Climate

The Côte d'Azur has a <u>Mediterranean climate</u>, with sunny, hot, dry summers and mild winters. The region benefits from 2835.5 sunshine hours a year and is the hottest place of France.

The month of June is characterized by *rising* daily high temperatures, with daily highs increasing from 22°C to 25°C over the course of the month.

Currency/Banks

The currency applicable in France is the Euro (EUR).

The hotel accepts payment by credit card or cash. For maximum flexibility, we recommend that you bring some cash in Euro with you. Foreign currencies can be exchanged at Nice Côte d'Azur aiport.

Electricity

2 pin Type C plug (220-240V)

We recommend that you bring a plug adapter with you for your electronic devices.