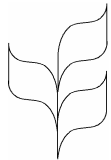




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**ADVISORY GROUP FOR THE SECOND EDITION
OF THE GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY OUTLOOK
REPORT**

Scoping meeting

Montreal, 16–17 January 2003

16-17 January 2003

INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

The Advisory Group Meeting for the Second Edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook Report will be held from Thursday 16 to Friday 17 January 2003. The official opening will be at 9 a.m. on Thursday 16 January 2003.

Venue:

The meeting will be held on the premises of the **Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity** located downtown :

Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD Secretariat)

393 Saint-Jacques Street (World Trade Center / Centre de Commerce)

Montreal, Province of Quebec, Canada.

Access through metro, line 2 - Orange, station **Square-Victoria**, follow the exit sign
‘Centre de Commerce Mondial’

Telephone : + 1 (514) 288-2220

Fax: + 1 (514) 288-6588

E-mail: secretariat@biodiv.org

Access to Montreal:

Montreal is serviced by the Dorval airport (15 km from downtown). Taxis are available at the airport and there is a shuttle-bus service every 30 minutes.

Fares:

Bus / Shuttles:	One way trip	Round trip
Dorval / Downtown	\$ 11.00	\$19.75
Taxis:		
Dorval / Downtown	\$ 28.00 Fixed rate	N.A.

Accommodation in Montreal :

Please find attached an indicative list of hotels (Annex I) located in the vicinity of the Secretariat of the CBD or next to a Metro station (the Montreal Metro/*Subway* is safe). Further information on hotels in Montreal is available at the following website address: <http://www.tourism-montreal.org>.

Participants are kindly reminded that they have to make their own hotel reservations. To benefit from the special room rates some hotels are offering, please indicate that you will be attending a United Nations meeting.

Time Zone :

Montreal is GMT less 5 hours.

Weather:

Weather in Montreal in mid- January averages around -10c (14f). It is considered to be one of the coldest months of the year.

Voltage:

110 volts, 60 Hertz. Adapters can be purchased for about \$50 Can.

Visas / Customs

Please find attached (Annex II) a list of countries whose citizens require a visa to visit Canada.

Credit Cards

Major credit cards are accepted in most hotels and restaurants in Montreal.

Attached Annex I : List of hotels
 Annex II: List of countries with visa requirements (in accordance with the list provided by the Government of Canada, on the website of the Canadian Department of Immigration <www.cic.gc.ca>)

Annex I

Hotel List

Prices given in Canadian currency **are indicative and may be subject to changes:**

\$1 US = appr. \$1.52 Canadian

\$1 Canadian = appr. \$0.66 US

Prices do not include taxes. (GST 7% + QST 7.5 % = 15.03%). Tax refund is possible for non-Canadians.

Please ask for forms at the registration desk during the meeting.

You must make your own reservations.

Lord Berri Hotel * (formerly Days Inn Vieux Montreal)** 20 minute-walk to the Secretariat

1199, Berri Street

Montreal

Tel. : + 1 (514) 845-9236

Fax : + 1 (514) 849-9855

<http://www.lordberri.com/>

\$89 single, \$ 99 double

La Tour Centre-Ville ***

15 minute-walk to the Secretariat

400 René-Lévesque Blvd. W.

Montreal

Tel. : + 1 (514) 866-8861

Fax : + 1 (514) 866-7257

Studio (queen bed) \$72.00, Small suite at \$82.00, Big suite at \$85.00 for + \$12.00 per additional person.

Travelodge ***

20 minute-walk to the Secretariat

50, René-Lévesque Blvd. W.

Montreal

Tel. : + 1 (514) 874-9090

Fax : + 1 (514) 874-0907

<http://www.travelodge.com/>

Rooms at \$79.00, single or double occ., including breakfast

L'Appartement-in-Montréal ***

20 minute-walk to the Secretariat

455, Sherbrooke W.

Montreal

Tel. : + 1 (514) 284-3634

Fax : + 1 (514) 287-1431

<http://www.appartementin.com/>

Studios \$90.00, single or double occ.

Best Western****

20 minute-walk to the Secretariat

3407 Peel Street (corner of Peel and Sherbrooke Street)

Montreal

Tel: 514-288-4141

Fax : 514-288-3021

<http://www.hotelvillemarie.com>

Room at Can\$ 91.00. Please mention United Nations/SCBD when making reservations

Delta Centre Ville ** (ex-Radisson)**

5 minute-walk to the Secretariat

777 University

Montreal

Tel. : + 1 (514) 879-1370

Fax : + 1 (514) 879-1761

<http://www.deltahotels.com/>

First class hotel

Rooms at \$135.00, single or double occ. Please mention United Nations/ICAO account # 91317 when making reservations.

Hotel Inter-Continental Montréal ****

Located in the World Trade Centre

360 St-Antoine street West

Indoor access to the Secretariat by corridors

Montreal, Quebec

Canada H2Y 3X4

Tel.: + 1 (514) 847-8525 From North America toll free:1-800 327-0200/361 3600

Fax: 1 (514) 847-8730

E-mail: montreal@interconti.com Website: <http://montreal.interconti.com>

Rooms at \$149.00 Please mention ICAO rate when making reservations.

Holiday Inn Select ** (Chinatown, oriental food available)** 10 minute-walk to the Secretariat

99 Viger West

Montreal

Tel. : + 1 (514) 878-9888

Fax : +1 (514) 878-6341

<http://www.hiselect-yul.com/>

\$149 single or double occ.

Hôtel Manoir des Alpes ***

20 minute-walk to the Secretariat

1245, St-André St.

Montreal

Tel. : + 1 (514) 845-9803

Fax : + 1 (514) 845-9886

<http://www.hotelmanoirdesalpes.qc.ca/>

\$75, single

Hôtel de la Montagne ****

20 minute-walk to the Secretariat and 2 minutes from Metro station

1430, de la Montagne Street

Montréal

Tel. : + 1 (514) 288-5656 + 1(800) 361-6262 toll free in North America

Fax : + 1 (514) 288-9658

<http://www.hoteldelamontagne.com/>

\$165 for single occ.

\$175 for double occ.

Hôtel Courtyard Marriott Montréal** (formerly La Citadelle)** 15 minute-walk to the Secretariat

410, Sherbrooke St. W.

Montreal

Tel. : + 1 (514) 844-8851

Fax : + 1 (514) 844-0912

<http://www.courtyard.com/>

\$139, single or double occ.

Annex II

VISA REGULATIONS

Citizens of the following countries require a visa to **visit** or **transit** Canada
(in accordance with the list provided by the Government of Canada).

- A**
Afghanistan
Albania
Algeria
Angola
Argentina
Armenia
Azerbaijan
- B**
Bahrain
Bangladesh
Belarus
Belize
Benin
Bhutan
Bolivia
Bosnia-Herzegovina
Brazil
Bulgaria
Burkina-Faso
Burundi
- C**
Cambodia
Cameroon
Cape Verde
Central African Republic
Chad
Chile
China (People's Republic)
Colombia
Comoros
Congo (The), Democratic Rep. of
Congo (The), People's Rep. of
Côte d'Ivoire
Croatia
Cuba
Czech Republic
- D**
Djibouti
- Dominica
Dominican Republic
- E**
East Timor
Ecuador
Egypt
El Salvador
Equatorial Guinea
Eritrea
Estonia
Ethiopia
- F**
Fiji
- G**
Gabon
Gambia
Georgia
Ghana
Grenada
Guatemala
Guinea
Guinea-Bissau
Guyana
- H**
Haiti
Honduras
Hungary
- I**
India
Indonesia
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)
Iraq
Israel (only Israeli citizens holding valid Israeli orange "Travel Document in Lieu of National Passport")
- J**
Jamaica
Jordan
- K**
Kazakhstan
Kenya
Korea (Dem. Rep. of)
Kuwait
Kyrgyzstan
- L**
Lao (People's Democratic Rep.)
Latvia
Lebanon
Lesotho
Liberia
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
Lithuania
- M**
Macau S.A.R.
Macedonia (former Yugoslav Republic of)
Malagasy Republic
Malawi
Maldives
Mali
Marshall Islands
Mauritania
Mauritius
Micronesia (Federated States)
Moldova
Mongolia
Morocco
Mozambique
Myanmar (Burma)
- N**
Nauru
Nepal
Nicaragua
Niger
Nigeria

O

Oman

P

Pacific Islands (U.S. Trust Territory)

Pakistan

Palau (Rep. of)

Palestinian National Authority

Panama

Paraguay

Peru

Philippines

Poland

Q

Qatar

R

Romania

Russian Federation

Rwanda

S

Sao Tome e Principe

Senegal

Seychelles, The

Sierra Leone

Slovakia

Somalia

South Africa

Sri Lanka

Sudan

Surinam

Syrian Arab Republic

T

Tadjikistan

Tanzania (United Rep. of)

Thailand

Togo

Tonga

Trinidad & Tobago

Tunisia

Turkey

Turkmenistan

Tuvalu

U

Uganda

Ukraine

United Arab Emirates

Uruguay

Uzbekistan

V

Vanuatu

Venezuela

Vietnam

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Yemen

Yugoslavia

Z

Zambia

Zimbabwe
