# GKPN 2018 Dubai – UAE

# GENERAL INFORMATION



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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We hope you are looking forward to the 2018 GKPN Global Annual Meeting at the Dubai -UAE. Let us be the first ones to say "Ahlan wa sahlan" (meaning Welcome in Arabic).

The United Arab Emirates (UAE) was formed as a federation of seven emirates (Abu Dhabi, Dubai, Sharjah, Ajman, Ras Al Khaimah, Fujairah, Umm Al Quwain), which came together as one state on the 2nd of December 1971. The Federal Capital of UAE is Abu Dhabi.

Below are some details to help prepare you for the meeting. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Amelia Dantas at <a href="mailto:ameliadantas.csgc@gmail.com">ameliadantas.csgc@gmail.com</a> or Sona Kazanjian at <a href="mailto:sona@fellowshipdubai.com">sona@fellowshipdubai.com</a>.

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#### 1. TRAVEL TIPS

#### a) Options for Securing a Visa

- **a.** Some nationalities may obtain visas upon arrival, others need to apply for them in advance. Learn more about visa requirements.
- **b.** You can use your Hotel booking confirmation as an invitation letter to be presented to your respective embassy when acquiring a visa.
- **c.** Those flying Emirates or Etihad Airways can request their visas through the airline.
- **d.** We hope by now you have your visa. If not, kindly send an email to <u>jaco@keystonedubai.com</u>

#### b) Packing Tips

- **a.** The average high temperature in Dubai during March is 28°C, which drops to 17°C at night. Sea temperatures are around 22°C, while humidity's moderate and typical rainfall's 24mm over four rainy days.
- **b.** There will be lots of sun, and you can expect 12 hours of daylight with eight hours of sunshine each day. UV levels will be very high so take sun cream and the sunsets around 6.30pm for most of the month.
- **c.** If you will be visiting the Grand Mosque in Abu Dhabi, you are requested to wear more conservative dress code, as both men and women need to be fully covered.

## c) Arrival Information

- **a. Airport Terminals:** Dubai International is the busiest international airport in the world. With hundreds of flights taking off and landing every day, it is important you know which terminal you are flying through.
  - i. **Dubai International (DXB) Terminal 1:** All international airlines, apart from Emirates, Qantas and Gulf Air.
  - **ii. Dubai International (DXB) Terminal 2**: Fly Dubai, regional and other low-cost carriers.
  - **iii. Dubai International (DXB) Terminal 3**: All Emirates and Qantas flights.
  - **iv. Dubai World Central (DWC):** Wizz Air, Gulf Air. (Note: Gulf Air also operate flights from Dubai International, Terminal 1 so be sure to check from which airport your flight will be departing or arriving.)

#### b. Airport transfers:

- i. Option 1 GKPN Dubai Pick up and drop off services.
  - **1.** GKPN Dubai will be providing pick up and drop off services should you wish to the service kindly fill the form in **Appendix 1** and send it to <a href="mailto:gkpn@ratourism.com">gkpn@ratourism.com</a>, no later than 48hrs before arrival.

## ii. Option 2 - Dubai Taxi.

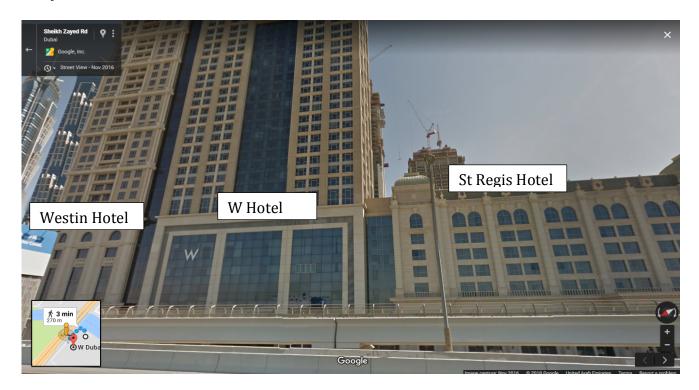
- **1.** Arrival at DXB terminal 1, 2 or 3:
- **2.** You may take the taxi from the Airport, (Yellow in color, UAE governed and are always cheaper than other Taxis.
- **3.** Estimated arrival time to the Hotel will be: 25-30 minutes.
- **4.** Taxi fare approximation: AED 80-100 each way (\$20-30 USD).
- iii. *Option. 3 Uber*: For those who prefer Uber, it's also is available.

#### d) Security Protocols - Airport

- **a.** At customs, please say you are here for tourism. DO NOT say, "I am here for a mission conference" or anything else about missions.
- **b.** Please use discretion in what Christian materials you bring. Personal bibles and some Christian literature is okay but avoid books that have titles and covers that would raise questions.
- **e) Travel delays or cancelations:** Should you experience travel delays, or if your travel plans have changed, send an email to Amelia at <a href="mailto:ameliadantas.csgc@gmail.com">ameliadantas.csgc@gmail.com</a> and Sona at <a href="mailto:sona@fellowshipdubai.com">sona@fellowshipdubai.com</a> as soon as possible, so your travel details can be updated.

#### 2. HOTEL REGISTRATION

a) The aerial view of the three hotels and hotel contacts.



- The St. Regis Dubai|W Dubai Al Habtoor City
- The Westin Dubai, Al Habtoor Municipal.
- The St. Regis Dubai, Al Habtoor Polo Resort & Club

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www.westindubaialhabtoorcity.com

www.stregisdubaialhabtoorpoloresort.com

- **b) Arrival at the Hotel:** Upon arrival, kindly check in at the hotel's front desk located in the lobby of your designated Hotel to receive your room key. All room charges will be billed to the master account; you will be required to present a credit card for incidentals.
- c) Check-in / Check-out
  - **a. Standard hotel timing:** check is 3:00pm and check out is 12 noon.
  - **b.** Early check in or check out: This is subject to availability at the hotel.

- **c. Extended Stay**: In situations where you wish to extend your stay, please do let the GKPN Dubai team know. Charges will be as follows:
  - i. Westin Hotel 200usd per extra night, with breakfast and taxes included (double or single room)
  - ii. St Regis Hotel 400usd per extra night, with breakfast and taxes included (double or single room)
- **d) Internet access:** The hotel offers complementary Internet access in all its facilities.
- e) Dress code: Business Casual or simply casual clothes are more than proper.
- f) Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner:
  - a. 6th March
    - i. Lunch:
      - **1.** W Hotel, 4th floor: 12:00 Noon **Location Great room**.
    - ii. Dinner:
      - 1. St Regis Hotel 06:00pm Location Garden B
  - b. 07th -09th March (for all in-house guests)
    - i. Breakfast:
      - 1. St Regis Brasserie Quartier Restaurant 1st floor
      - 2. Westin Hotel Seasonal Tastes Restaurant 1st floor
    - ii. Lunch:
      - 1. St Regis Le Patio Restaurant 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor
    - iii. Dinner:
      - **1.** Please note: Guest will take care of their dinner, with exception of Tuesday..

#### 3. MEETING DETAILS

#### a) Security protocol:

- **a.** GKPN Dubai will have a check in desk situated at the hotel meeting room entrance where there will assist with your queries and provide you with nametags.
- **b.** There will be volunteers checking badges (name tags) at the meeting room entrance.
- **c.** You will not be able to enter the meeting rooms without your badge.
- **d.** All papers and materials relating to the meeting left behind, will be collected after each session so that Christian literature are not left behind in rooms for non-participants to see.

#### b) Schedules

a. Monday, March 5, 2018 - All Day - Individual early arrival and check-in.

#### b. Tuesday, March 6th, 2018

i. 9:00am

i.	11:00am	Registration   <b>The W Hotel</b> Ballroom
ii.	12:00pm	Opening Lunch   <b>The W Hotel</b> Ballroom
iii.	1:30pm	Session One - Opening Session -
		Combined   <b>The W Hotel</b> Ballroom
iv.	2:30pm	Coffee Break
V.	3:00pm	Session Two - Separated Rooms:
		Pastors   <b>The W Hotel</b> Ballroom
		Marketplace   <b>St. Regis Carnegie</b>
vi.	5:00pm	Free Time
vii.	6:30pm	Dinner   <b>St. Regis</b> Garden
viii.	7:30pm - 9:00pm	Special Evening Program   <b>St. Regis</b> Astor
		Ballroom

# c. Wednesday March 7th, 2018 - All activities @ St. Regis

		r 1
		Ballroom
ii.	10:00am	Coffee Break
iii.	10:30am	Session One - Combined Session   <b>Astor</b>
		Ballroom
iv.	12:30pm	Lunch   <b>Le Patio Restaurant. Fl. 2</b>
v.	2:30pm	Session Two - Separate Rooms:
		Pastors   <b>Astor</b> Ballroom –
		Marketplace   <b>St. Regis Carnegie</b>
vi.	5:00pm	Free Time

Worship - Combined Session | Astor

d. Thursday, March 8th, 2018 - All activities @ St. Regis

i. 9:00am Worship | Astor Ballroom

ii. 10:00am Coffee Break

iii. 10:30am Session One - Combined Session | **Astor** 

Ballroom

iv. 12:30pm Lunch | **Le Patio Restaurant. Fl. 2** v. 2:30pm Session Two – Separated Rooms:

Pastors | **Astor** Ballroom

Marketplace | St. Regis Carnegie

vi. 5:00pm – Free Time

e. Friday, March 9th, 2018 - All activities @ St. Regis (Combined Sessions)

i. 9:00am Worship at **Astor** Ballroom

ii. 10:00 am Coffee Break

iii. 10:30 am Session One | **Astor** Ballroom

iv. 12:00pm Conclusion: Final Session | **Astor** Ballroom

v. 12:30pm Lunch | Le Patio Restaurant. Fl. 2

#### 4. UAE EXCUSIONS

#### Abu Dhabi special tour, Saturday 10 March., organized by the GKPN Dubai team.

This architectural work of art is one the world's largest mosques, with a capacity for an astonishing 40,000 worshippers. It features 82 domes, over 1,000 columns, 24-carat gold gilded chandeliers and the world's largest hand knotted carpet. The main prayer hall is dominated by one of the world's largest chandeliers –10 meters in diameter, 15 meters in height and weighing twelve tones.

Reflective pools surround the mosque, amplifying its beauty. The striking white and gold colors shining in the sun are transformed at night by a unique lightning system, which reflects the phases of the moon.



#### **Details**

- 08:00am Pick up at the hotel
- 10:00am Louvre Museum
- 12:00pm Depart for Lunch at Yas Mall Abu Dhabi
- 02:00pm Depart for the Grand Mosque -Abu Dhabi
- 04:00pm Emirates palace
- 06:30pm Departure from Emirates Palace to Dubai
- 08:00pm Drop off the hotel
- Cost of the trip: USD 105pp, payable at the GKPN desk situated at the Hotel entrance.
- Payment method: Cash only.

- legs and arms need to be fully covered; your clothes should not be tight fitting. Try and ensure the fabric of your clothes is opaque as well, as see-through garments are inappropriate in a religious environment. Female visitors to the mosque will be asked to cover their hair; however, a headscarf will be provided to them upon entry. As a side note, you will be asked to remove your shoes.
- To register kindly click on this link: https://fellowshipoftheemirates.ccbchurc
   h.com/goto/forms/591/responses/new

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# Appendix 1.

# GKPN Dubai - Pick up and drop off services.

Follow the instructions and fill out the form		
Arrival Transfer Min 2 guests - USD 30	Dubai International Airport Terminal 1.  (Please note) If you will be arriving from either	
	Terminal 2 or 3 take a shuttle to Terminal 1.	
	Name:	
	Number of Persons:	
Meet & Greet	Flight number:	
	Date of Arrival:	
	Time of Arrival:	
Meeting Point for Arrival	Kindly proceed to COSTA COFFEE in DXB	
_	international airport and search for the	
	FELLOWSHIP board.	
Departure Transfer	Date of departure:	
Min 2 guest - USD 30		
(03 hours before to your	Time of departure:	
departure time)	Flight number:	

#### Appendix 2

The GKPN Dubai has teamed up with R**oyal Adventure Tourism** Company, who has provided different excursions and their prices. Kindly fill in the below form and email it back to <a href="mailto:gkpn@ratourism.com">gkpn@ratourism.com</a>

	LOCAL TOURS AND EXCURSIONS:		
TOUR SERVICES	INCLUSIONS:	PRICES	
DESERT SAFARI	<ul> <li>Pick up and Drop off to your hotel</li> <li>Desert Dune Bashing with Professional Guides.</li> <li>Henna Painting.</li> <li>Camel Riding.</li> <li>Sunset Photography Opportunity.</li> <li>Photography in Arabic Dress.</li> <li>Hubbly Bubbly Corners (Shisha).</li> <li>Tanoura Dance Show / Fire Show / Belly Dance Show</li> </ul>	50 USD P.P.	
DUBAI CITY TOUR  DHOW CRUISE DINNER- CREEK (5-star cruise)	<ul> <li>Buffet Dinner (Vegetarian and Non-Vegetarian)</li> <li>Pick up and Drop off to your hotel</li> <li>Visit to Dubai Museum</li> <li>Gold Souq &amp; Spice Souq</li> <li>Jumeirah Mosque - (DRIVE THRU)</li> <li>Jumeirah Beach / Burj Al Arab</li> <li>The Palm - Atlantis Hotel</li> <li>Mall of Emirates - (DRIVE THRU)</li> <li>Pick up and Drop off to your hotel</li> <li>2-hour cruising along Dubai Creek.</li> <li>Access to fully air-conditioned lower deck and open air upper deck.</li> <li>International Dinner Buffet</li> </ul>	33 USD P.P. 44 USD P.P.	
DHOW CRUISE DINNER- MARINA (5-star cruise) BURJ KHALIFA (124th floor)	<ul> <li>Pick up and Drop off to your hotel</li> <li>2-hour cruising along Dubai Marina.</li> <li>Access to fully air-conditioned lower deck and open air upper deck.</li> <li>International Dinner Buffet</li> </ul> Entry Tickets only (Non-Prime Hour / Normal Timings)	61 USD P. P. 37 USD P.P.	
BURJ KHALIFA (148th floor)	- Entry Tickets only (Non-Prime Hour / Normal Timings)	102 USD P.P.	

BOOKING FORMS		
Choose any tour you like and fill up the form below with complete details.		
Tour Service Name:		
Tour Date:		
Tour Dute.		
Write your name:		
Number of persons:		
Hotel name:		
Contact number and room number:		
NOTE: Time required for BURJ KHALIFA booking T		TIME:
Only		
For more information kindly conta	ct this number	: +971561036555 / email: gkpn@ratoursim.com
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