

**Regional Workshop for countries of the Northern and Western African
Community and Arab States on Progress and Way Forward on Tashkent
Declaration and Commitments to Action for Transforming Early Childhood Care
and Education (ECCE)**

18th to 21st November 2025

Important Notes for the Attention of the Overseas Delegates

Dear Sir/Madam,

We are very grateful that you accepted our invitation to attend the Regional Workshop.

We hope that you will really enjoy this three-day experience in the Republic of Seychelles, discussing about the progress and way forward on the Tashkent Declaration.

In order to make your experience, as well those of the other attendees, a pleasant time of reflection, discussion and sharing of knowledge around Early Childhood, we kindly ask for your support and cooperation, by following the rules and/or requests for the successful conduct of the Workshop:

- All participants travelling into Seychelles must complete the border procedures on <https://seychelles.govtas.com>
- All tourism establishments in the Seychelles charge a “Tourism Environmental Sustainability Levy” of €1.75, €5.25 and €7, depending on the number of rooms of the accommodation. Please be advised that the **fee is payable per person per night stay and is mandatory**.
- The host country will provide airport transfer upon arrival and departure. Therefore, it is important that **all participants provide their travel itineraries one week before departure (or earlier so as to organize transportation**.
- Participants coming to the workshop will be responsible for their own hotel bookings, which should be made directly with the preferred hotel. Attached is a list of recommended hotels. Kindly make an effort to book early for the most convenient hotel available.

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- The three main currencies used in Seychelles are Seychelles Rupees (SCR), US Dollars US\$ and Euro (€), as well as other international currencies. Money exchange facilities are available in commercial banks, hotels and at the international airport. We also have ATM machines available at most banks and they accept Visa international credit cards.
- Participants may wish to purchase local SIM cards and prepaid credit at the mobile service provider outlets. Our ushers will be available to assist participants accordingly.
- In order to facilitate the logistics, based on a network and arrangement with Omnibus Operators, we kindly invite you to **respect the schedule of transportation from the hotel to opening ceremony and main workshop venue and back** (transport schedule and programme will be shared later). In the event that you missed the bus from the hotel to workshop venue and back, you are advised to make your own arrangement. The concierge counter at the various accommodation will assist with alternative transport arrangement.
- We consider your experience valuable, therefore, we kindly ask you **not to leave the venue of the workshop until the end of each session**, and to actively participate by sharing your experiences and opinion in the interactive sessions. Also, we will be strict with the conduct of the workshop. Therefore, we would appreciate if you **respect the various activities on the workshop's programme**.
- Participants will be served with morning & afternoon snacks as well as lunch on both days of the workshop. Lunch time is a great opportunity to get to know the participants attending the workshop. It is advisable **not to leave the area where lunch is served daily**.
- Wi-fi is guaranteed at the workshop venue. We will do our very best to ensure reliable and smooth connectivity at all times. The password will be provided at the workshop venue.
- Ushers will be assigned to a cluster of country participants. Hence, you are advised to liaise with them on any matters during the workshop and your stay in Seychelles. They will provide their contact details when they meet with you either prior or on the day of the workshop.
- The workshop will be conducted in English language but provision will be made for French and Arabic translations.
- As part of the Regional Workshop, IECD will set up information booth, to showcase IECD's, ECCE Sectors' and other countries' work on ECCE and Education. It would be highly appreciated if you could bring along relevant materials for the information booth.
- Participants may wish to bring traditional costumes of their respective countries.

For general enquiries, kindly contact the IECD-C2I on email address psecretary@iecd.gov.sc or tel: **(248) 2812401**. We thank you very much for your understanding and count on your support for a successful workshop.

We look forward to welcome you in our beautiful country and wish you a pleasant stay!

***Regional Workshop Organising Committee
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