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ABU DHABI 2019

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H.H. Sheikh Mansour Bin Zayed Al Nahyan

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Presidential Affairs of the UAE

It is my great pleasure to welcome you to Abu Dhabi and to ESI 2019.

Today, the world is a dynamic global community, rapidly changing through globalisation and technological advances. New market forces, in all sectors, require innovation for survival and prosperity and, in such an environment, innovative progress becomes imperative.

We, in the United Arab Emirates, believe that scientific innovation creates benefit for individuals and societies for a promising future. Our target is to provide our citizens with the best quality of life and, as a result, the UAE has developed a National Innovation Strategy.

The Strategy itself is innovative and aims to make the UAE one of the most innovative nations in the world. Our country has identified seven sectors for innovation excellence, namely: renewable energy, transport, education, health, technology, water and space. Furthermore, Abu Dhabi, our capital, has invested in a long-term strategic plan to contribute in making the UAE the region's science and research hub.

In 2019, Abu Dhabi has the honour of hosting ESI for the second time. In doing so, we encourage the youth of the world to seek and find intelligent solutions, apply proactive approaches, predict an uncertain future and pursue strategies that remove barriers to smart solutions.

ESI 2019 is the ideal platform from which to show the world new scientific discoveries generated from intellectual ideas and creativity, and solutions that improve the overall quality of life in an unpredictable but exciting future.

In September 2019, Abu Dhabi welcomes you, the youth scientists and innovators, promising to celebrate your scientific inventions and share them with the world, demonstrating your creativity and innovation, and recognising you as a 'Young Future Scientist'.



Dear Participants and Delegates,

This is a proud moment for the UAE, especially for the Abu Dhabi Centre for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (ACTVET) and for me as its Director General. After six years, I am proud that MILSET Expo-Sciences International (ESI) is returning to Abu Dhabi, under the Patronage of His Highness Sheikh Mansour bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Presidential Affairs of the UAE, and that we are hosting the 17th edition of the greatest international youth science expo worldwide.

It is with great pleasure that we warmly welcome over 1,500 participants from over 50 countries to MILSET ESI Abu Dhabi 2019.

The UAE and its wise leadership recognize the importance of innovation and the primary role it plays in economic progress, as reflected in UAE's Vision 2021 plan that highlights science, technology and innovation as main drivers of growth and progress. The UAE emphasizes the importance of looking ahead towards a knowledge-based economy and ensuring steady and sustainable development for the country.

MILSET ESI Abu Dhabi 2019 is happening at a crucial moment when science and technology are at the forefront to overcome the challenges of today through innovative solutions. Our investment in training and education is part of our strong commitment to youth development and we encourage young people to express their scientific creativity. It can represent the first step in helping build a prosperous and sustainable future for generations to come.

I wish all of you the very best in the coming week and I hope you have a fulfilling and enjoyable time at MILSET ESI Abu Dhabi 2019.

Mubarak Alshamsi
Director General – ACTVET



Dear Friends,

The International Movement for Leisure Activities in Science and Technology (MILSET) is celebrating the 17th edition of the MILSET Expo-Sciences International (ESI 2019), which is returning this year to the remarkable city of Abu Dhabi.

MILSET ESI Abu Dhabi 2019 is happening thanks to ACTVET, showcasing the most outstanding STEAM projects from all around the world, providing all participants the opportunity to exchange their research ideas and to learn about each other's cultures, traditions and history. It is timely for this event to take place in the multi-cultural city of Abu Dhabi in 2019 which is declared as the Year of Tolerance by the UAE Government. Having MILSET ESI return to Abu Dhabi reflects the strong relationship between ACTVET and MILSET in sharing the common goal to promote STEAM subjects to youth while contributing to their personal development through these educational programs.

Creating opportunities to engage with STEAM disciplines encourages growth and networking between youth while allowing cooperation and collaboration to inspire innovation. It is a special time for MILSET ESI to happen this year as it is also the International Year of the Periodic Table, as declared by UNESCO, in celebration of the 150th anniversary of the periodic table.

To all the participants, researchers, teachers, visitors and organisers of MILSET ESI Abu Dhabi 2019, I wish you all the success in this adventure, discovering science and technology through the eyes and hard work of our youth.

Enjoy this wonderful experience!

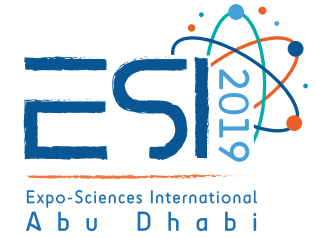
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MILSET President



ABOUT MILSET

The International Mouvement for Leisure Activities in Science and Technology (MILSET Mouvement International pour le Loisir Scientifique Et Technique) is a non-governmental, non-profit and politically independent youth organisation, which aims at developing scientific culture among young people through the organisation of science and technology programmes, including science fairs, science camps, congresses and other activities of high quality. MILSET was created during ESI 87, the first International Science Fair held in Quebec, Canada in 1987. Since then, regional offices were established in Latin America, Africa, Asia, Europe and North America.

Get further information about MILSET on www.milset.org



ABOUT MILSET ESI

MILSET Expo-Sciences International 2019 is a non-competitive event that brings together youth, educators and scientific experts from Asia, Europe, North America, Latin America and Africa, to exchange ideas and compare scientific projects fostering networking and international collaboration.

MILSET ESI Abu Dhabi 2019 aims to promote scientific knowledge in a multi-cultural environment through an exhibition of projects created by youth from all over the world. It is a unique opportunity for budding talents to come together and share ideas on scientific innovation in the largest youth science expo in the world, encouraging thought leadership and creativity for the future leaders of tomorrow in STEAM fields.



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MILSET-ESI 2019 IS BROUGHT TO YOU BY: ACTVET

The Abu Dhabi Centre for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (ACTVET) was established under the directive of His Highness Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces, through Resolution No. 49/2010.

ACTVET is committed to establishing policies and standards that effectively regulate technical and vocational educational institutions in the emirate of Abu Dhabi. ACTVET is also responsible for the licensing of trainers and tutors that meet the demands of the UAE's local market. The Centre aims to boost training and educational opportunities for young nationals within the qualification framework of the Emirate. ACTVET's ultimate goal is to increase the number of skilled Emirati youth in rewarding career paths and to foster life-long learning and personal development.

Learn more about ACTVET initiatives on www.actvet.ac.ae

WELCOME TO
ABU DHABI



AN EXTRAORDINARY DESTINATION

Abu Dhabi is steeped in history, with evidence of human settlement stretching back 7,000 years. Conserving and promoting the heritage, culture, and traditions of the emirate is an integral chapter in the emirate's story. While preserving the past, this is a place which shapes the future. Abu Dhabi is unique for its distinct diversity of terrain, people, and traditions and has 700 kilometers of stunning coastline, beautiful natural islands, awe-inspiring deserts, bountiful oases, towering mountains, and a vibrant center for you to explore.

Abu Dhabi is a cosmopolitan destination of near year-round blue skies, white sand beaches and boasts a modern city lifestyle which retains the rich heritage of the region.

QUICK FACTS ABU DHABI



CAPITAL OF **UAE**

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CURRENCY:
DIRHAM (AED)



**LARGEST OF
THE 7 EMIRATES**



ABU DHABI
EMIRATE COMPRISED
OF 200 ISLANDS



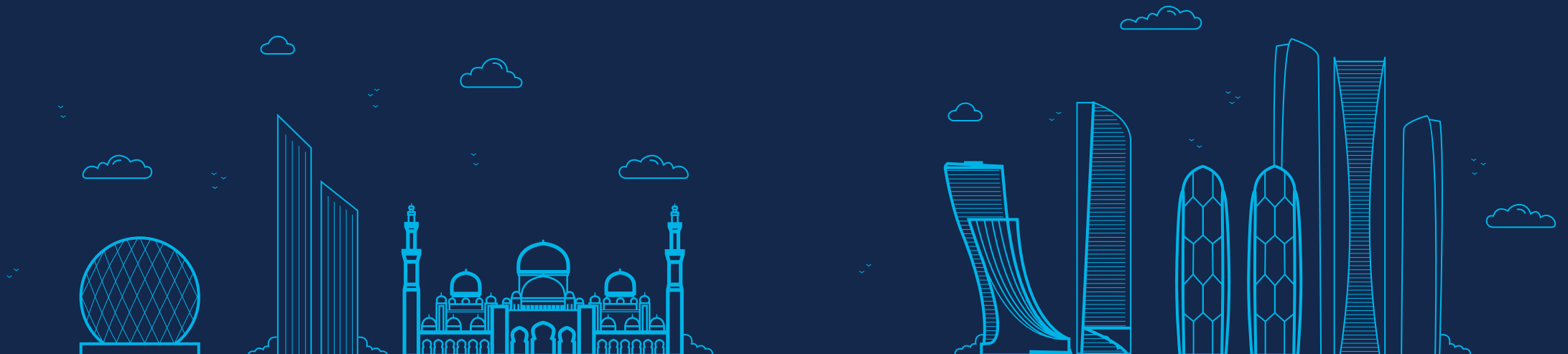
POPULATION
2.908 MILLION



LANGUAGE:
ARABIC (OFFICIAL),
ENGLISH (WIDELY USED)



ABU DHABI NAMED AFTER DHABI (**FATHER OF THE GAZELLE**)





MILSET ESI ABU DHABI 2019 IN DETAILS

MILSET ESI Abu Dhabi 2019 HIGHLIGHTS



1500+

International
Participants



600+

STEAM
projects



500+

Youth from
UAE



50+

Countries



13

Scientific
Disciplines



7

Days
Programme

ESI 2019

EVENT PROGRAMME

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22 SUNDAY
September 2019

- All Day Delegates' arrival
- Accreditation for All

2



23 MONDAY
September 2019

- Exhibition set-up
- Heads of Delegation's meeting

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24 TUESDAY
September 2019

- MILSET ESI opens to public visitors
- Official Opening Ceremony
- Workshops and seminars
- Round table discussions
- MILSET Regional General Assemblies meetings
- City Tours

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25 WEDNESDAY
September 2019

- MILSET ESI opens to public visitors
- Workshops and seminars
- MILSET General Assembly
- Round table discussions
- Leaders Congress
- City Tours

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26 THURSDAY
September 2019

- MILSET ESI opens to public visitors
- Workshops and seminars
- Round table discussions
- Young Citizens Conferences (YCC)

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27 FRIDAY
September 2019

- Cultural Night
- Closing Ceremony

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28 SATURDAY
September 2019

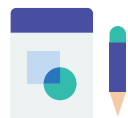
- Delegates' Departure

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22 SUNDAY

September 2019



All day	Arrivals and Transportation	AD Airport/ DXB Airport
12:00 to 14:00	Lunch	Hotels
14:00 to 16:00	Registration Heads of delegations only	ADNEC, ESI Registration Desk
19:00 to 21:00	Dinner	Hotels

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23 MONDAY

September 2019



06:00 to 08:00	Breakfast	Hotels
08:00 to 09:00	MILSET Executive Committee	ADNEC, Capital Suite 21 A
09:00 to 16:00	Registration for late arrivals	ADNEC, ESI Registration Desk
09:00 to 16:00	Set up of the projects in the booths	ADNEC, Halls 6,7,8 & 9
12:00 to 14:00	Lunch	ADNEC, Hall 11
13:00 to 14:00	Heads of Delegations Info Meeting	ADNEC, Capital Suite 21 B & C
14:00 to 16:00	MILSET Board of Directors Meeting	ADNEC, Capital Suite 21 A
14:15 to 16:00	MILSET North Africa Meeting	ADNEC, Capital Suite 21 B
14:15 to 16:00	MILSET Sub-Saharan Africa Meeting	ADNEC, Capital Suite 21 C
14:00 to 16:00	Participant's Icebreaking activities	ADNEC
14:00 to 15:00	Booth Inspection	ADNEC, Halls 6,7,8 & 9
19:00 to 21:00	Dinner	Hotels
19:00 to 22:00	VIP and Heads of delegations Gala dinner	Fairmont Bab Al Bahr

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24 TUESDAY

September 2019



06:00 to 08:00	Breakfast	Hotels
09:00 to 16:00	ESI open to the Public	ADNEC, Halls 6,7,8 & 9
10:00	Official Opening, Parade of countries & Visit of the projects	ADNEC, ESI Registration Desk
12:00 to 14:00	Lunch in ADNEC	ADNEC, Hall 11
13:00 to 14:30	MILSET Vostok General Assembly	ADNEC, Capital Suite 21 A
14:00 to 16:00	MILSET Asia General Assembly	ADNEC, Capital Suite 21 B
14:00 to 16:00	MILSET Amlat General Assembly	ADNEC, Capital Suite 21 C
14:30 to 16:00	MILSET Africa General Assembly	ADNEC, Capital Suite 21 A
14:00 to 16:00	Workshop	ADNEC, ESI Seminar Room
14:00 to 16:00	Lecture + debate	ADNEC, ESI Lecture Room
16:30 to 20:00	City Tour Day 1	5 Routes
19:00 to 22:00	Dinner	Hotels

Routes for City Tour Day 1

- 1 - ADNEC - Emirates Palace - Marina Mall - Hotels
- 2 - ADNEC - WTC and the Souk - Abu Dhabi Cornich - Hotels
- 3 - ADNEC - Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque - Hotels
- 4 - ADNEC - Gold Souq - Madinat Zayed - Hotels
- 5 - ADNEC - Yas Marina Circuit - Hotels

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25 WEDNESDAY

September 2019



06:00 to 08:00	Breakfast	Hotels
08:00 to 09:00	MILSET Executive Committee	ADNEC, Capital Suite 21 A
09:00 to 16:00	ESI open to the Public	ADNEC, Halls 6,7,8 & 9
09:00 to 10:00	Lecture + debate	ADNEC, ESI Lecture Room
09:00 to 12:00	Workshop	ADNEC, ESI Seminar Room
09:30 to 11:00	MILSET General Assembly	ADNEC, Capital Suite 21 B & C
10:30 to 11:30	Lecture + debate	ADNEC, ESI Lecture Room
11:00 to 12:00	MILSET Executive Committee	ADNEC, Capital Suite 21 A
12:00 to 14:00	Lunch	ADNEC, Hall 11
13:30 to 16:00	MILSET Leaders Congress - Lectures	ADNEC, Hall 7 - Conference Room
16:30 to 20:00	City Tour Day 2	5 Routes
19:00 to 22:00	Dinner	Hotels

Routes for City Tour Day 2

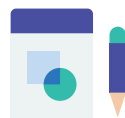
- 1 - ADNEC - Yas Mall - Hotels
- 2 - ADNEC - Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque - Hotels
- 3 - ADNEC - Qasr al Hosn - Hotels (Guided tour only available in English)
- 4 - ADNEC - Gold Souq - Madinat Zayed - Hotels
- 5 - ADNEC - WTC and the Souk - Abu Dhabi Corniche - Hotels

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26 THURSDAY

September 2019



06:00 to 08:00

Breakfast

Hotels

09:00 to 16:00

ESI open to the Public

ADNEC,
ESI Registration Desk

09:00 to 12:00

MILSET Executive Committee

ADNEC,
Capital Suite 21 A

09:00 to 12:00

Workshop

ADNEC,
ESI Seminar Room

10:30 to 11:30

Lecture + debate

ADNEC,
ESI Lecture Room

12:00 to 13:00

Lecture + debate

ADNEC,
ESI Lecture Room

12:00 to 14:00

Lunch

ADNEC, Hall 11

13:30 to 16:00

MILSET Young Citizens
Conference (YCC) - Lectures &
DebatesADNEC, Hall 7 -
Conference Room

16:00 to 17:30

Dismantle the projects

ADNEC,
Halls 6,7,8 & 9

19:00 to 21:00

Dinner

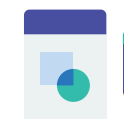
Hotels

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27 FRIDAY

September 2019



06:00 to 08:00

Breakfast

Hotels

09:00 to 12:00

Booth set-up and
performance rehearsals

ADNEC, ICC

12:00 to 15:00

Lunch

Hotel

15:00 to 18:00

Cultural night

ADNEC, ICC

18:00 to 19:00

Farewell Dinner

ADNEC, ICC




19:00 to 22:00

Closing Ceremony

ADNEC, ICC



28 SATURDAY
September 2019

		
07:00 to 9:00	Breakfast	Hotels
09:00 to 23:00	Free time to explore Abu Dhabi for late departures	
12:00 to 14:00	Lunch	Hotels
All day	Check out and transfer to the airport for departure	Hotels

Head of Delegations Meeting

This meeting aims to provide relevant information to the Heads of Delegations about the activities that will be performed during MILSET ESI Abu Dhabi 2019, such as the rules of the venue, important advice about life in Abu Dhabi and useful tips to ensure that all participants enjoy their stay and have a memorable experience. The main information that will be provided is related to:

- MILSET ESI Abu Dhabi 2019 Activities
- Lectures & Workshops
- Cultural Night
- MILSET Regional Meetings & MILSET General Assembly
- Technical Information & Restrictions
- Security & First Aid
- City Tours
- Public Transportation
- Official Documents (Passports)
- Activities for Extra Days
- Departures



Monday
September 23rd, 2019



13:00hrs - 14:00hrs



ADNEC – Conference Hall
(Capital Suite 21 B & C)

After the meeting the participants, supervisors and accredited visitors must receive the information through their Heads of Delegations.

Opening Ceremony



Monday
September 23rd, 2019



11:00hrs



ADNEC,
Entrance of Hall 9

24 TUESDAY

September 2019



09:30hrs	Assembly of the parade participants	ADNEC – Hall 9
09:45hrs	VIP Reception	
10:00hrs	Official Opening of MILSET ESI 2019	
10:05hrs	Music band begins performance	
10:10hrs	Parade of Nations begins with participating countries touring the ESI venue	
10:15hrs	VIP tour starts	
11:00hrs	Opening Ceremony ends	

About the Opening Ceremony

The opening ceremony marks the official start of MILSET ESI Abu Dhabi 2019. The ceremony will include a musical performance, the Parade of Nations and protocols to welcome UAE Government officials, Ambassadors and Dignitaries. There will be a welcoming protocol for the VIPs outside Hall 9 in ADNEC.

How to get there?

- Participants staying in hotels from a walking distance from ADNEC will travel on foot to the venue. The furthest distance from the hotels to ADNEC is 500m, approximately a 5-minute walk.
- Participants staying in hotels located a driving-distance from ADNEC will be transported by buses. Please refer to the Logistics section for more information.
- Nearest entrance to MILSET ESI venue at ADNEC is from Entrance F.

Arrival process - participants & Heads of delegations

- All participants must ensure that they are stationed at their designated booth before 09:00hrs to welcome visitors and VIP guests at their booths.
- Participants taking part in the Parade of Nations need to be at the assembly point at 09:30hrs as rehearsed on Monday, September 23rd. (One participant per country will be chosen).

What to bring?

- Delegates (Participants, supervisors, head of delegations, accredited visitors) need to bring their badges received as part of their accreditation package. There will be strict security precautions in place, so no delegates will be able to access the venue without badges.
- In case delegates forget or lose their badge, they can print it again by their own through the link previously sent to their emails.
- Delegates are advised to avoid bringing in valuables to the ceremony.

Delegates Dress Code

- Participants taking part in the Parade of Nations should consult with their Head of Delegation regarding the dress code for the ceremony to ensure suitable attire for the parade.
- Other participants need to ensure that their dress code complies with the guidelines provided under Dress Code section page 81.

Flags

ACTVET will provide the official flags for the Parade of Nations. Any small flags brought to the ceremony by delegates and participants must match these approved flags. Any national/regional flags that do not match are subject to removal by security. Please check with your Head of Delegation if you are unsure which flag you will be using.



MILSET Leader Congress

The MILSET Leaders Congress (LC) is a forum, taking place during the MILSET ESI 2019 week, targeting 100-150 teachers, educators, and leaders in organisations dedicated to advancing the interest of STEAM disciplines to youth. The Leaders Congress will be a space where important topics can be discussed and debated to develop strategies and solutions to engage young people in pursuit of STEAM education in their respective countries.

No early registration required. Limited seats are available. Attendees will receive a certificate of participation. Please ensure your QR code on the badge is scanned before entering the event.

Topic: How to engage youth in STEAM activities?



Wednesday September 25, 2019



13:30hrs - 16:00hrs



ADNEC, Hall 7 – Conference Room

MILSET Young Citizens Conference

Your chance to represent your country as an ambassador and share ideas!

MILSET invites representatives of every delegation to take part in an open discussion at the Young Citizens Conference (YCC).

This year's topic at YCC is Artificial Intelligence and its social impact on the modern world. The development of AI generates new and exciting possibilities for us: robots and intelligent systems are being introduced everywhere. At the same time, it has raised important ethical and social issues. At the YCC, youth from all parts of the globe will discuss how to prepare for a future with artificial intelligence.

If you are 15 to 25 years old, you will receive an email to participate in the conference. Register your interest with a description of ideas you would like to discuss at the YCC, and the Organising Committee will select participants to become ambassadors.



Thursday, September 26, 2019



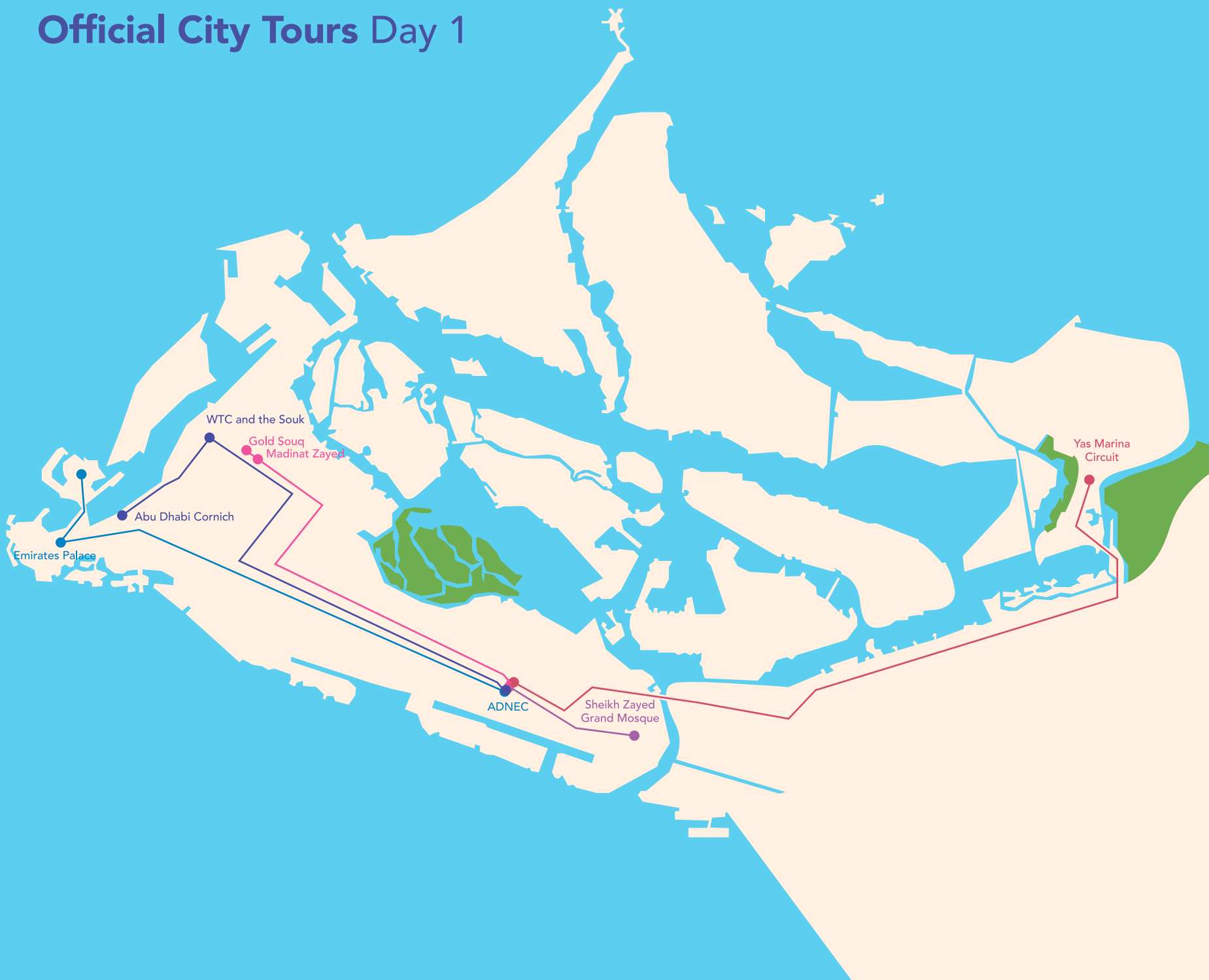
13:30hrs - 16:00hrs



ADNEC, Conference Hall

Limited seats available – up to 100 participants.

Official City Tours Day 1



🕒 16:00 to 20:00

🛤️ Route 1

📍 ADNEC - Emirates Palace -
Marina Mall - Hotels

👥 **300 Guests**

🕒 16:00 to 20:00

🛤️ Route 2

📍 ADNEC - WTC and the Souk -
Abu Dhabi Cornich - Hotels

👥 **200 Guests**

🕒 16:00 to 20:00

🛤️ Route 3

📍 ADNEC - Sheikh Zayed
Grand Mosque - Hotels

👥 **150 Guests**

🕒 16:00 to 20:00

🛤️ Route 4

📍 ADNEC - Gold Souq -
Madinat Zayed - Hotels

👥 **600 Guests**

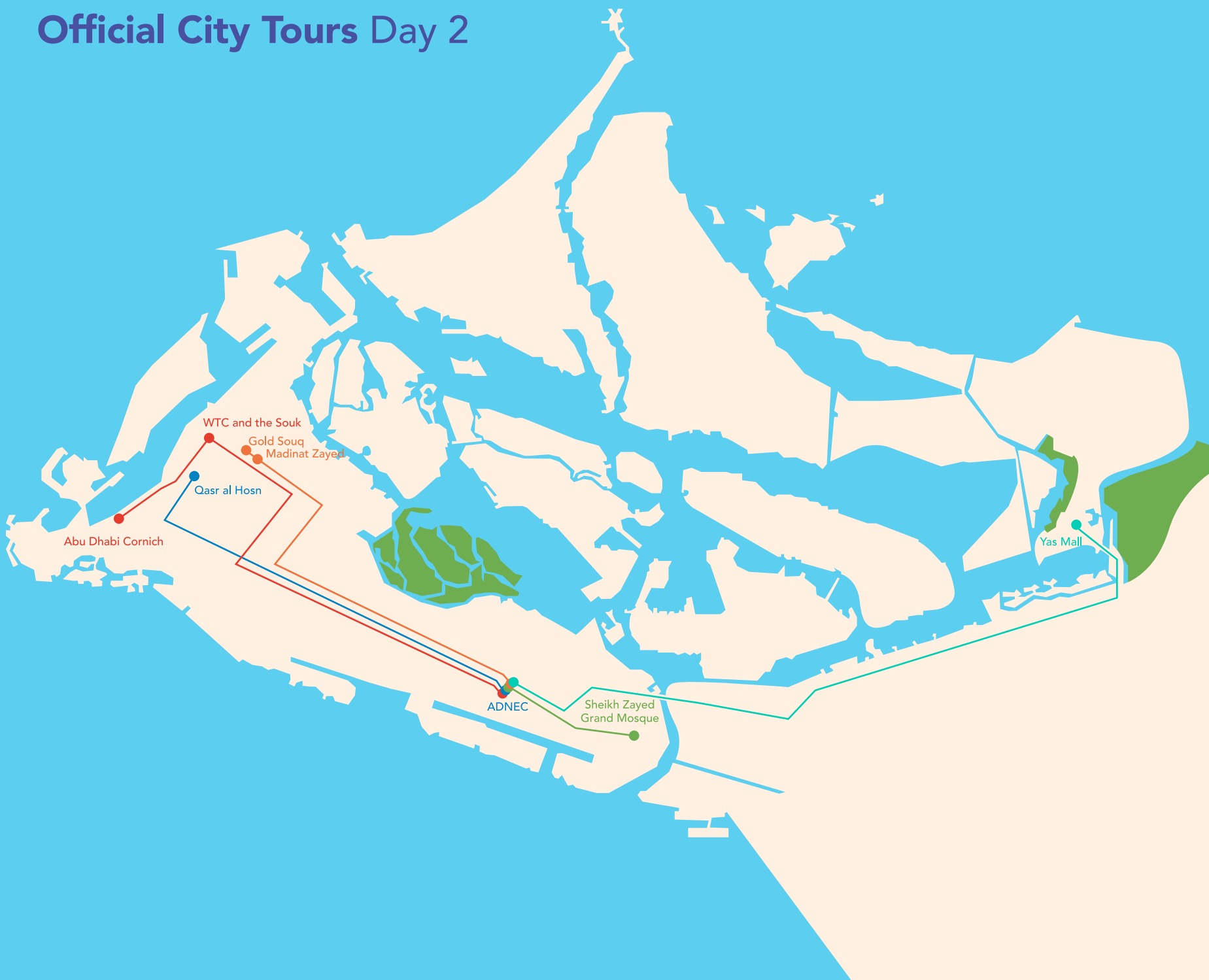
🕒 16:00 to 20:00

🛤️ Route 5

📍 ADNEC - Yas Marina
Circuit - Hotels

👥 **250 Guests**

Official City Tours Day 2





 16:00 to 20:00


 Route 1


 ADNEC - Yas Mall - Hotels

 **300 Guests**

 16:00 to 20:00

 Route 2

 ADNEC - Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque - Hotels

 **150 Guests**

 16:00 to 20:00

 Route 3

 ADNEC - Qasr al Hosn - Hotels *Guided tour only available in English


 **450**


 16:00 to 20:00


 Route 4


 ADNEC - Gold Souq - Madinat Zayed - Hotels

 **300 Guests**

 16:00 to 20:00

 Route 5

 ADNEC - WTC and the Souk - Abu Dhabi Cornich - Hotels

 **300 Guests**

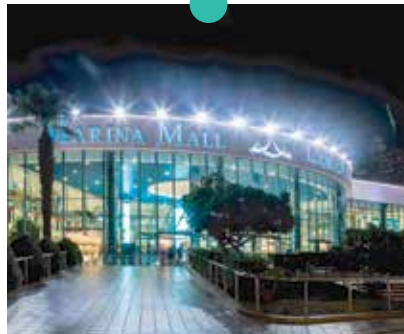
Delegates will receive an email to register for the city tours. Please note that there are limited seats available for each tour. There are no waitlists so once a tour is fully booked, you will need to select another one. There is a minimum registration of 20 delegates required for the tour to take place. **Everybody must wear the official MILSET ESI 2019 T-shirt during the city tours.**

City tour

Emirates Palace is an iconic hotel set on Abu Dhabi's picturesque skyline on the Corniche. Known for its impressive scale and design, the palatial hotel stretches over a kilometre from wing to wing, and its beautifully landscaped gardens are spread over 100 hectares with 200 fountains. The hotel attracts many visitors from all over the world, particularly for its Grand Atrium's 42-metre magnificent dome finished in silver, gold and glass mosaic tiles and topped with a 20kg solid golden finial.



Marina Mall is one of Abu Dhabi's landmark shopping malls with over 400 high end and high street stores, a 9-screen cinema and fun community areas including a trampoline park with never-seen-before 40-metre slides, two slack lines, a zip line for adrenaline junkies and an 18-metre free-fall experience.



Sheikh Zayed Mosque is an architectural work of art and one of the world's largest mosques with the capacity to host 40,000 worshippers. It is an iconic landmark in Abu Dhabi which incorporates architectural styles from different Muslim civilisations and is one of the most visited sites globally by millions of tourists from all over the world.



Qasr Al Hosn is the oldest and most significant building in Abu Dhabi, holding the city's first permanent structure; the watchtower. Built around the 1790's, the commanding structure overlooked the coastal trade routes and protected the growing settlement established on Abu Dhabi island. Over the centuries, it has been home to the ruling family, the seat of government, a consultative council and a national archive; it now stands as the nation's living memorial and the narrator of Abu Dhabi's history.



Abu Dhabi's Corniche Road spreads across an impressive eight kilometres of manicured waterfront gardens and pathways which includes children's play areas, designated cycle and pedestrian paths, cafés and restaurants, and the Corniche Beach where visitors can swim and experience the beauty of Abu Dhabi's coast. The Corniche beachfront has been awarded the internationally coveted Blue Flag status.



Yas Marina Circuit is the official venue of the Abu Dhabi Formula 1 Grand Prix and one of Abu Dhabi's most lively venues. The ultra-modern track not only offers a bespoke and captivating racing spectacle but offers an extensive year-round programme of professional and grassroots motorsport events and experiences including Drag and Yas Track Nights.



WTC Mall and Souk is a contemporary revival of a historic district, the old Central Market, within the heart of the city. It is a fully integrated, mixed-use development with a mall and a modern souk. In the souk, visitors can shop for traditional artifacts, henna, spices, jewelry, Arabic perfumes, clothing and accessories.



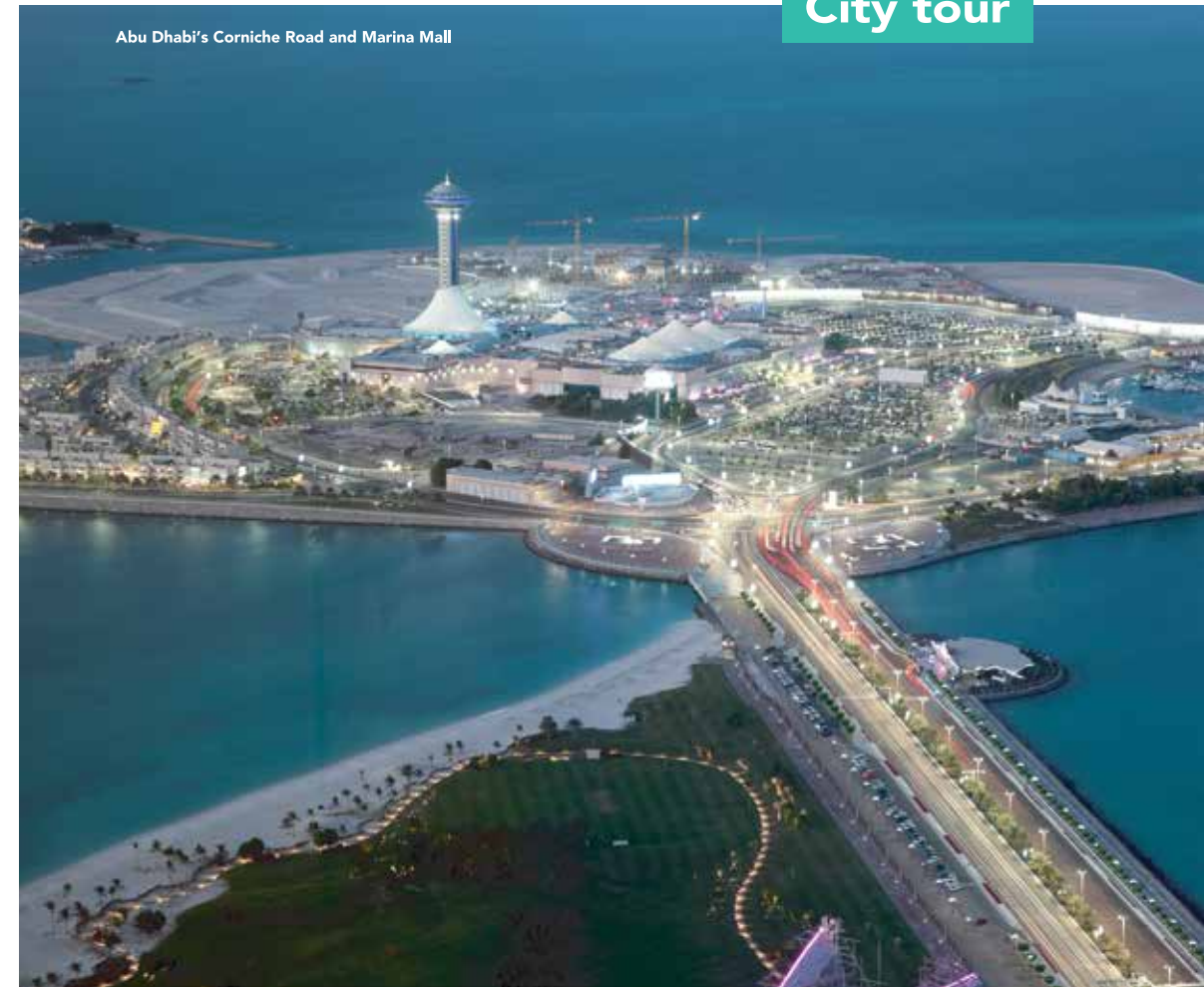
Yas Mall is the capital's ultimate destination for shopping, dining and entertainment right in the heart of Yas Island. Immersed in natural light, the spacious avenues of this experiential shopping destination offer three floors of international and regional retail and restaurant brands and a -20screen state-of-the-art cinema as well as a direct link to Ferrari World.



Madinat Zayed Shopping and Gold Centre is the go-to place to experience a traditional souk with over 400 stores selling the finest gold, diamond and pearl jewelry located in the centre of Abu Dhabi.



City tour



Cultural Night

A vibrant multi-cultural night awaits!

Experience the UAE's rich culture here at MILSET ESI Abu Dhabi 2019's Cultural Night. Watch local and international traditional dance shows and get the chance to ride camels, horses, and take photos with falcons while enjoying traditional food. A cross-cultural experience with over 40 international booths giving delegations the opportunity to meet with each other while exploring each other's cultures and traditions.

The Cultural Night will include the following activities and more:

Henna drawing

The most well-known beauty ritual is the intricate body art created with henna dye, which plays an important role in the lives of many Emirati women. Henna is a significant part of an Emirati woman's wedding preparations and special occasions. Visitors can enjoy Arabic Henna designs on their hands.



Handcraft

Traditional handcrafts by local artisans will be on display and created before your eyes. Visit the handcrafters' area to see the bespoke pieces created live!



Falcons

For 4,000 years, Bedouin in the UAE and the wider Arabian Peninsula practiced falconry as an important form of hunting in a resource-scarce land. Its role in society, however, has changed over time, and today it is one of the UAE's most honored traditional sports. Participants will have the chance to hold and take pictures with the falcons.



Horse Riding

The Arabian horse is recognized all around the world for its rich bloodline and is one of the oldest horse breeds. Horseracing as a sport is practiced widely in the UAE where various tournaments are held annually and many local equestrian clubs host lessons for beginners. Participants can try the Arabian horse riding experience at MILSET ESI Abu Dhabi 2019.



Harbya Band

The art of 'Harbya' is a popular way to celebrate the heritage of UAE through poetry, courage, strength. It has a permanent and distinguished presence in official celebrations, national occasions and festivals.



Here is how you can participate in the cultural night:

The event will take place on Friday, September 27. All countries are more than welcome to participate during the cultural celebration.

There will be two different activities that each country must select:

- Country booth (maximum 40 countries can register for a booth).
- Performances on stage should be up to 3 minutes (with a maximum of 24 shows during the event).

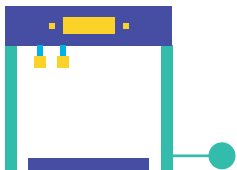
The Head of Delegation is responsible for the registration of activities. If you are a Head of Delegation, you will receive an email with the details to submit the information before August 20th.

Cultural Night



Remarks:

- The activities must be conducted per country, so for countries with more than one organisation, it is important to decide together how you will participate.
- We invite all participants to wear their traditional clothes during the event.
- The stage performances must be related to a traditional dance that showcases the culture of the country. Please note national anthems, political videos and offensive materials are not allowed during performances.
- Both activities (the set-up of the country booth and the stage performance) require the commitment of delegates from each country.



Country booths:

- The countries which have selected activity booths can have booth attendants working in rotation, and attendants must always be present.
- The delegations are free to decorate their booth with any traditional items and pictures from their countries. We invite you to bring souvenirs such as pins, candies, coins, handicrafts, small flags, food items*, and arrange for creative activities to engage visitors such as games, teaching words from your language, handwriting practice, etc.
- The booth size is 2m x 3m and will have table and chairs available.
- *If you are bringing food items from your country, please check first with your airline on the list of prohibited food items. Please note that alcohol is not allowed.

Programme Schedule:



Friday
September 27 ,2019



ADNEC,
Entrance of ICC Hall

Sets	Start	End	Duration	Activity
1	09:00	12:00	3 hours	booth set-up & performance rehearsals
2	15:00	15:05	5 mins	Official opening of the cultural event
	15:05	16:05	1 hour	Stage performances part 1
3	16:05	17:00	55 mins	Delegates will visit the booths
4	17:00	18:00	1 hour	Stage performances part 2
5	18:00	19:00	1 hour	Farewell dinner

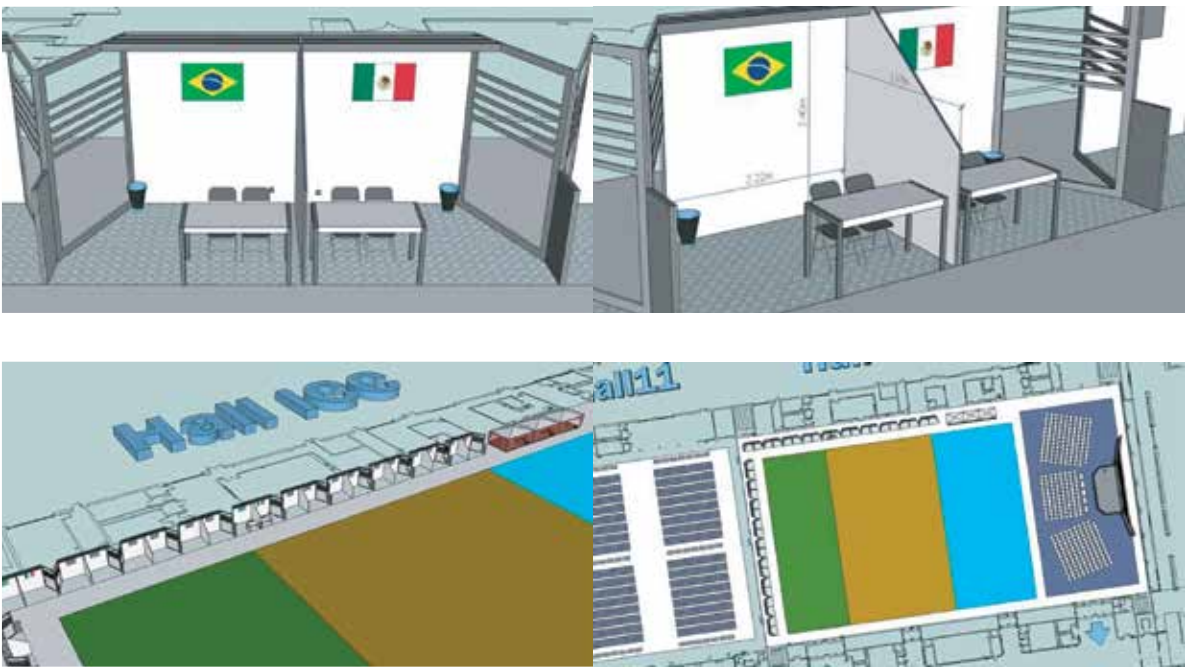
Cultural Night Set-up Information

If you choose to participate in Cultural Night, please note the following information about the exhibiting booths.




Type of booth:

Each booth will include one table, two chairs and one electricity socket (13 amp and 220 V power plugs). The country’s flag will be displayed in the booth.

Booth dimensions: 3m x 3m x 2.5m



Closing Ceremony

		
14:00hrs	Rehearsal	ADNEC – ICC
18:45hrs	Calling all participants to be seated, allocate Head of delegation in the places reserved	
19:00hrs	Closing Ceremony begins	
22:00hrs	Closing Ceremony ends	

27FRIDAY
September 2019

Rehearsal

Heads of Delegations will be called on the stage for recognition. They are required to rehearse for their appearance on stage. Rehearsal will take place between 14:00hrs – 15:00hrs on Saturday, September 27 in ICC Hall – ADNEC.

About the Closing Ceremony

The closing ceremony will mark the end of MILSET ESI Abu Dhabi 2019. All delegations will be recognized for their participation at MILSET ESI Abu Dhabi 2019 and shall receive medals and certificates of participation. The ceremony is expected to last for 3 hours.

Dress Code

The dress code for the closing ceremony is formal, though National costume can be worn. All participants are expected to ensure that their dress code complies with the guidelines provided under Dress Code section on Page 81.

Arrival and Access

For information on arrival and access to and from the venue, please refer to Opening Ceremony pages preceding this section.

Participants’ and Heads of Delegations Seating

Heads of Delegations will be seated in reserved seats according to the order of their appearance on stage. Each delegation will be presented by their respective Head of Delegation accompanied by one young participant from the same delegation.

Five delegations at a time will be called on the stage for recognition and a group photo with ACTVET and MILSET. They will be called in alphabetical order.

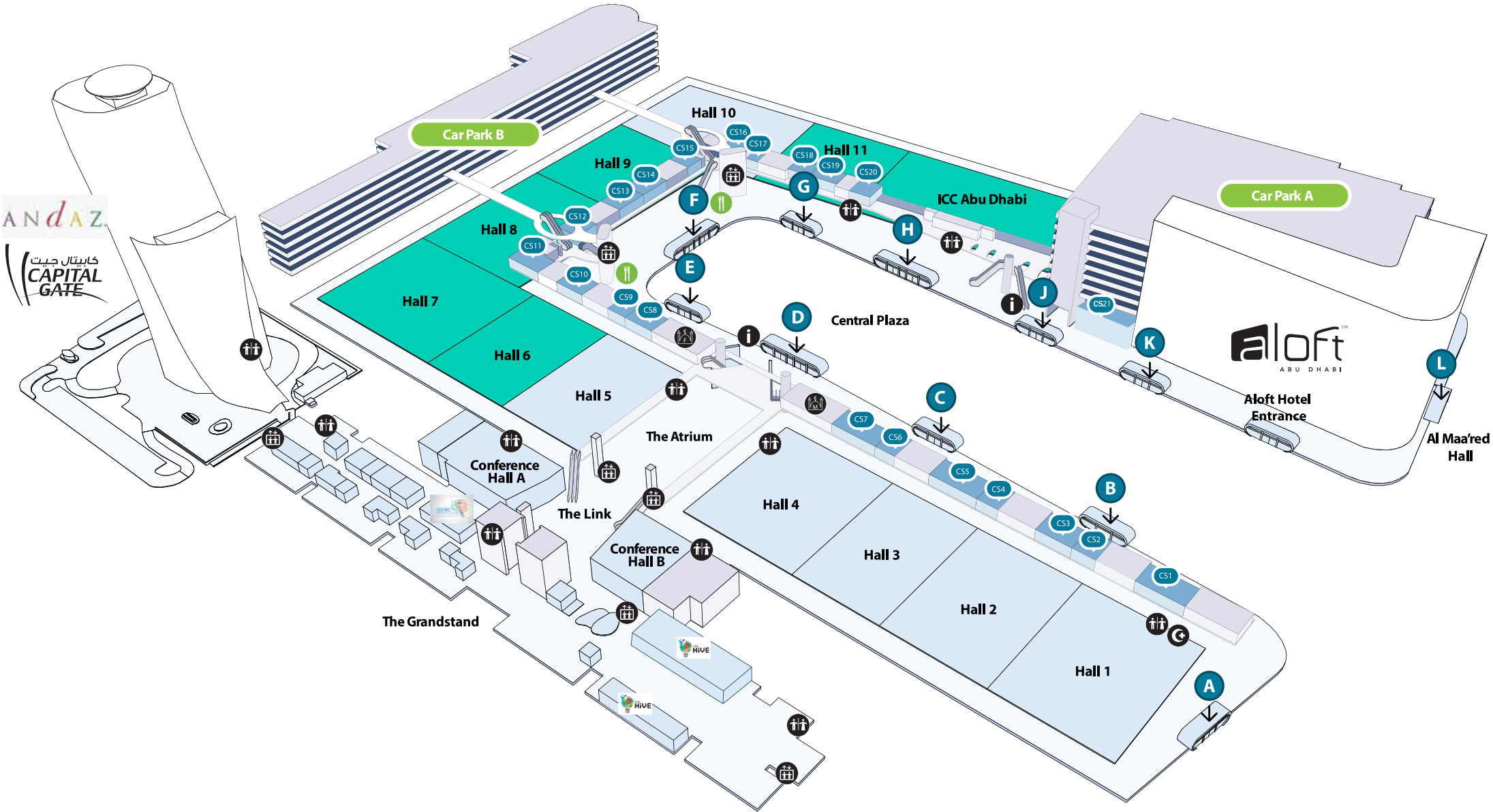
EVENT VENUE

Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Centre (ADNEC)

Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Centre (ADNEC) is the chosen location for hosting the MILSET Expo-Sciences International (ESI) 2019. The Exhibition Center was opened by the President of UAE and Ruler of Abu Dhabi, His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan, in 2007. Since then, the Centre has welcomed over 1.5 million visitors and hosts over 300 events every year. From large-scale public shows such as the Abu Dhabi Book Fair to international trade exhibitions such as The World Future Energy Summit, the International Defense Exhibition-IDEX, Abu Dhabi International Petroleum Exhibition & Conference – ADIPEC and WorldSkills Abu Dhabi 2017, ADNEC is the leading venue for national and regional public and trade events.

With 12 state-of-the-art fully connected exhibition halls, the Atrium and the Concourse totaling 73,000 square meters, ADNEC is the largest exhibition center in the Middle East and the ideal venue for an international event such as MILSET ESI 2019. The flexible, flat-floored, interconnected halls offer endless possibilities for all types of exhibitions and events; these facilities are complemented by extensive event services including imaginative conference and banqueting facilities.

ADNEC Map



Venue rules



Delegates must always wear MILSET ESI 2019 badge to access the venue and any related activities.



- There are several outlets within ADNEC serving food and drinks that can be purchased.
- Please note that food and drinks can only be consumed outside the venue.

Exhibition Regulations

The use of living organisms in experiments, studies, etc., should be carried out with ethics, as they deserve care and respect. The use of hazardous substances, inflammable material or handling fire is prohibited in the exhibition for the safety of all participants, visitors and the environment.

Safety provisions:

All projects will be analysed by the Security Committee, which will approve, reject or make the necessary recommendations for their presentation. If the projects do not make the necessary adjustments, they will be denied from participating.

Prohibited Articles:

- High risk microorganisms
- Explosives, radioactive substances, toxic substances or poisons
- Acid or alkaline concentrates, fuels or hazardous substances
- Laser more than 5 milli watts
- Endangered animals and embryos
- Live animals
- Human material or tissue

Restricted Items and Actions:

Research on vertebrates. They must obtain legal permits if they exist, follow a code of ethics, and should be protected and used with care. It is recommended to use invertebrates and cells.

Genetic Engineering: For the use of these articles, permission must be requested from the Organising Committee.

Safety and Security Procedures

General health, safety, and environment (HSE) awareness is vital in the planning and execution of MILSET ESI 2019 to ensure a safe event.

Every effort will be made to:

- Identify hazards and related risks
- Inform those who need to know about any potential hazards
- Control or reduce the risk of those hazards as much as possible

Safety will be integral to all event activities. Together we can create a positive safety culture and ensure a successful event. All accredited personnel involved in the event must ensure health and safety precautions are taken for themselves and those around them. If HSE policies and UAE regulations are not complied with, participants will be instructed to stop to ensure that the facilities are assessed and made safe.

All accredited personnel involved in the event must immediately report all dangerous behaviour, defects, or faults affecting the facilities to one or more of the following responsible persons:

- **Fazaa volunteering staff who will be available at the event**
- **The head of the delegation**
- **Delegate's coordinator**
- **A member of the Organising Committee**

Security at Venue



Security guards will be appointed at different locations throughout the halls and around the venue during build-up, competition days and dismantling. If you need to contact the police while at ADNEC, please call the security control room (**+971 2 406 4444**) first.

Internet at ADNEC



ADNEC is equipped with free open Wi-Fi across the venue. Please be aware that Wi-Fi will only be available in 5GHz (2.4GHz will not be available). Please check with the manufacturer of your device if you are unsure of compatibility. Please refrain from setting up private Wi-Fi systems.

First Aid

If you require first aid or emergency medical attention (ambulance), please call the security control room Ext: **4444** (or **+971 2 406 4444** if dialling from a mobile or external line). Their knowledge can save vital time in the event of an emergency. Please state clearly:

- The hall, category section, and booth number
- The name of the person reporting the emergency
- The type of accident or emergency, e.g. heart, broken limb
- Stay with the casualty until help arrives

Operating hours will be consistent with the venue opening times (8:00hrs to 16:00hrs) during the MILSET ESI week.

Any remarks related to medical condition (allergies, disability) will be marked on the MILSET ESI 2019 badge. In case you did not report your special condition, please notify your Head of Delegation who must inform the Organising Committee at the accreditation desk.



Emergency Evacuation

- Fazaa staff will patrol the halls throughout the event, they are your first emergency contact.
- Evacuation, emergency exits, and doors on escape routes must always be kept clear and unlocked.
- Corridors, paths, and exits must not be blocked or obstructed by objects.
- It is the duty of each person to familiarise themselves with the escape routes and to obey directions in the event of an evacuation. Fire service access routes must be kept clear.

All accredited personnel involved in MILSET ESI 2019 are required to assist in the first-aid process if an accident occurs. This assistance must be appropriate and prompt, e.g. calling emergency services or an ambulance.



Emergency Phone Numbers



800 2626

Tourism Police Department



999

Abu Dhabi Police (Emergency)



997

Fire Department



998

Ambulance



+971

UAE Country Code



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Abu Dhabi Area Code



02 575 7818

Abu Dhabi International Airport



600 53 53 53

TAXI

Setting up

Project Set-up The set-up of the projects will take place on Monday September 23, 2019 from 09:00hrs to 14:00hrs.

Booth inspection will take place between 14:00 to 15:00 to carry out a review of the projects. For this review, the projects set up must be completed in the assigned booth.

Booths will be assigned for each project in the exhibition hall by the Organising Committee. The spaces cannot be exchanged or moved. Please do not take any furniture or accessories from adjacent stands.

Sound and music Please refrain from playing any loud music or sounds for your presentation out of courtesy to the surrounding exhibitors.

Safety For safety reasons, it is very important to not leave the stand unattended at any time. Please mind your belongings and store equipment carefully (ie. laser printers, laptops, photo or video cameras, etc.). MILSET ESI will not be held responsible for any loss or damage to any equipment or materials.

Badges In order to access all events and facilities, participants must always wear their MILSET ESI badge for identification and ease of access to all MILSET ESI venues. Please note there will be no replacement badges issued during the week. Those who lose their badge are responsible for printing copies of their accreditation.

Project Presentation Project set-up must be completed and ready for presenting by the participants on the following dates and time slots:

- Tuesday, September 24 (9:00 to 16:00)
- Wednesday, September 25 (9:00 to 16:00)
- Thursday, September 26 (9:00 to 16:00)

Each participating project will be assigned a booth which will include one table, two chairs, two 13 Amp electricity sockets (220 Volts) and a header.

The booth dimensions are:

Depth: 3m x Width: 3m x Height: 2.4 m



The header will include:

- Name of the Project
- Country flag and number
- Booth number
- Category name

The MILSET ESI Organising Committee will not provide any equipment for the presentation of the project (ie. computers, projectors, electric extensions, etc.). Do not forget to bring all the necessary items for the installation and presentation of the project. This is the responsibility of each participant.

Electricity information In the UAE, the connection type is 220/240 V, 50 Hz AC. **Please bring compatible adapters with you to power your equipment and electronics in the booth.** Plugs must be type G or 13-amp.

Poster Specifications We propose including the following information on project posters:

- Abstract
- Introduction
- Hypothesis
- Materials & Methods
- Results
- Conclusion
- References

Participants can design the presentation of their project to their liking; however, we recommend the following poster dimensions of 0.85m x 1.5m (nine posters can be placed in one booth in these dimensions).



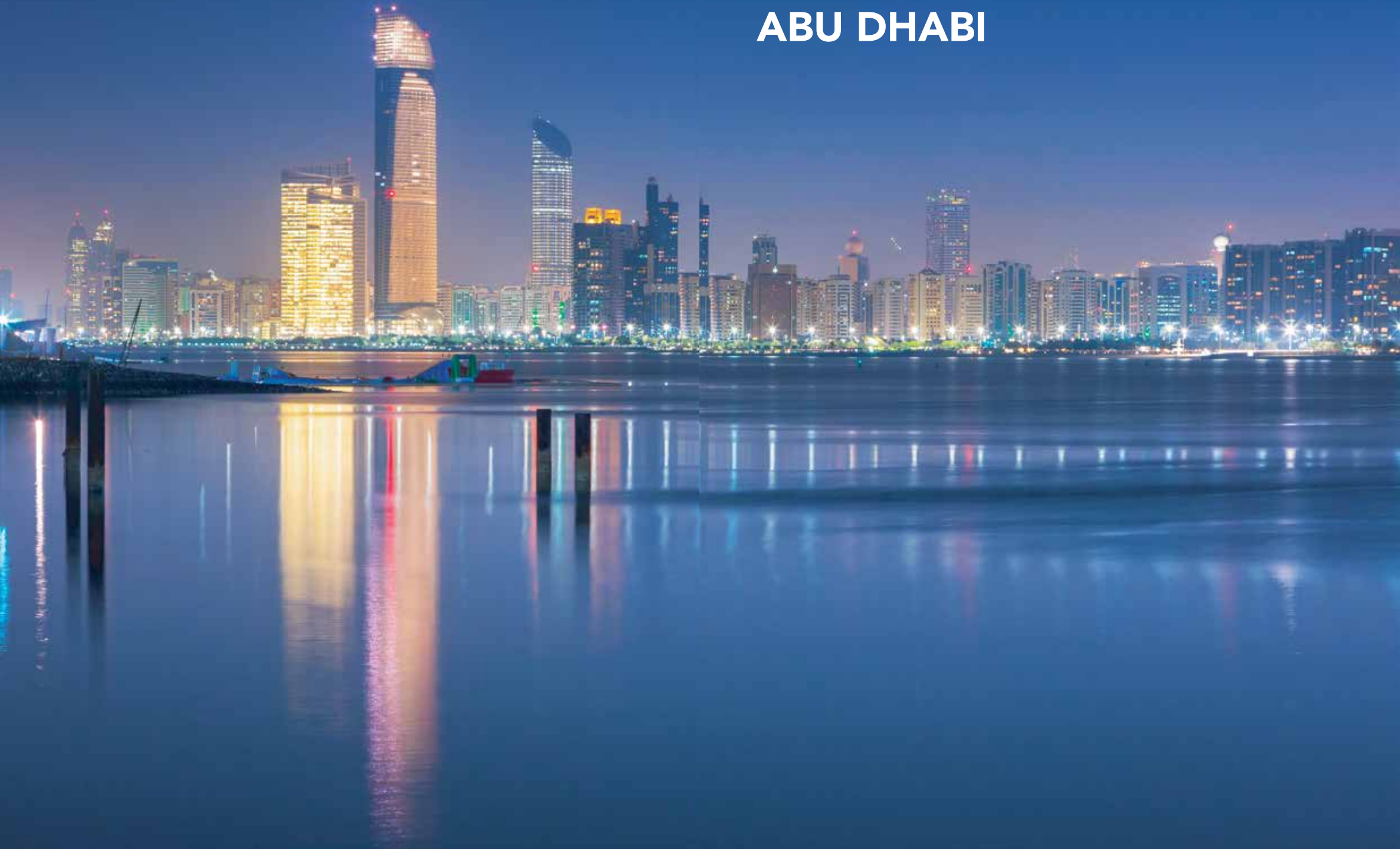
Participants can mount their posters, canvas or cardboard on the booth's walls. We recommend using Pritt/Blu tack and domestic adhesive tapes such as 3M double-sided tape to mount any posters. The use of industrial type adhesives is prohibited (brown cello tape, transparent tape, duct tape, or masking tape). If damage is incurred to the walls, you will be assigned a penalty.



Participants should avoid displaying any poster content related to religion, politics, race, gender, and nudity. The Organising Committee reserves the right to remove any poster they deem inappropriate.



ARRIVING IN ABU DHABI



Visa

The procedure to obtain the visa depends on the country of the request. To find out if your country needs a visa to enter UAE, please review this link. (<https://www.esi2019.ae/en/Documents/ESI%202019%20Visa%20Required%20Countries.pdf>)

For those who are requested to obtain a visa:

- Please contact the Embassy or Consulate of UAE in your country to request for details on required documents.
- In the case that a UAE Embassy or Consulate is not settled in your country, please visit the closest UAE Consulate to your country.
- Participants will receive an invitation letter that can help them in the visa process, as soon as their registration is complete in our system.
- Round-trip flight tickets are mandatory to be attached with your application.
- Visas can also be obtained through the following airlines: Etihad Airways and Emirates Airlines.

Remarks:

- The participant is fully responsible for handling its visa in due time and for providing all required documents to obtain the visa.
- The organisers will not be responsible if a participant does not receive the visa on time to travel.
- A copy of your visa must be uploaded in the registration system by Tuesday August 20th, 2019.



UAE Goods Regulation

For participants arriving in Dubai Airports

Security & Customs

Security checks are in place to ensure everyone's safety, but we appreciate it may be time-consuming. Here is what you can do to help things run smoothly when arriving in the UAE.

Security Tips

- Place loose items such as mobile phone, wallet, watch, keys in your hand baggage.
- Place your charged laptop within reach as you will need to place it in a security tray for customs to scan.
- If your belt has a metal buckle, or your shoes have heels, take them off and place them in a security tray.
- Place liquid containers in a clear, resealable plastic bag in your hand baggage. Liquid containers cannot exceed 100 ml. Exemptions will be made for medication, baby milk/foods and food for special dietary requirements to be consumed during your trip.

Hand luggage

Ensure you are not carrying any prohibited items as hand luggage. Check with your airline beforehand on item restrictions.

Customs

Like all countries, the UAE has rules about what you can and can't bring with you. Everyone who arrives must pass through customs, so please check the list below beforehand. Some items can result in fines or, in cases such as narcotic drugs, imprisonment.

If you are unsure about anything, please declare your goods when you arrive.

Personal allowances

- Gifts not exceeding AED 3,000.
- Cash above AED 100,000 must be declared.
- Maximum of 400 cigarettes, 50 cigars, 500 grams of tobacco.
- Maximum of 4 liters alcohol, 48 cans of beer.
- Medication: A maximum three-months supply of medication for your personal use. Please include an original prescription from a registered medical practitioner. All medications should be in original packaging, and not expired. No psychotropic medicines are allowed (even for personal use, in small quantity and/or with prescription) without prior approval from the Ministry of Health.

Items you cannot bring into the UAE

- All narcotic drugs.
- Gambling tools, machines.
- Ivory and rhinoceros' horn.
- Trammel (fishing net with three layers).
- Forged or duplicate currency.
- Any printed material that contradicts Islamic teachings and/or decency, or that deliberately implies immorality or turmoil.
- Cooked and homemade foods.
- Radios, self-defense equipment, sharp-edged knives and swords.
- Weapons, ammunition and military equipment.
- Fireworks and explosives.
- Trees, plants and soil.
- Requirements are subject to change. Please consult Dubai Customs for additional details on entry requirements.



Contact Dubai Airports
Tel: +971 4 224 5555
Tel: +971 4 313 9999
Tel: 8005111

UAE Goods Regulation

For participants arriving in Abu Dhabi International Airport

Security & Customs

Strict laws apply regarding the import of specific items into the UAE. It is strongly advised to familiarise yourself with the list of prohibited items

Duty Free

Allowances each traveler is permitted to bring the following with them into the UAE:

- 4 liters of alcohol or one carton/24 cans of beer
- AED 2,000 worth of cigarettes or 400 sticks of cigarettes
- AED 3,000 worth of cigars
- 2 kilograms of tobacco
- AED 3,000 worth of gifts, including perfume

* It is important to know which substances or items are illegal or restricted before entering the UAE.

Firearms & Weapons

Importing firearms and dangerous weapons is restricted.

Print, audio, video or other media

- Religious propaganda and potentially offensive printed materials, CDs, videos or films should not be brought into the country.
- Strict copyright laws are being enforced in the UAE, and pirated video and audiotapes or illegal computer software will be confiscated.

Drugs & Medication

- The UAE has a zero-tolerance drugs policy. Possession of even tiny amounts of illegal drugs has resulted in imprisonment for travelers transiting through and entering the UAE.
- A doctor's prescription should be carried along with any medication that is brought into the country. Some drugs and medications that may be purchased over-the-counter in other countries are classified as controlled substances in the UAE and are illegal to possess. A person may be arrested and prosecuted if in possession of prescribed or over-the-counter medicines containing, for example, codeine or similar ingredients.
- Please contact your nearest UAE embassy or consulate for advice if you need to bring medications or other drugs into the country.
- Controlled substances such as cannabis, opium etc. are banned and the penalties for handling these drugs are severe.

Money

The UAE has a robust system in place to combat money laundering and suspicious financial activities. It is every passenger's duty to declare and submit the appropriate forms to customs officials upon entering and departing the UAE.

In line with international criteria and global best practices, when entering or exiting the UAE, you are required to declare cash, cheques or other monetary means exceeding AED 100,000.

There is no restriction on the amount of cash that you may carry. The declaration is for monitoring and statistical purposes.

If you are unsure about anything, please declare your goods when you arrive.



Contact Abu Dhabi Airports
Tel: +971 2 505 5555
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LOGISTICS

Accommodation

During MILSET ESI Abu Dhabi 2019, the delegations will be hosted in nine of Abu Dhabi's top hotels near ADNEC.

The Organizing Committee will allocate the delegations between the nine selected hotels. You will be notified of your delegation's hotel prior to arrival in Abu Dhabi.

Notes:

- Hotel check-in starts at 14:00hrs.
- Room type: Triple rooms (one bed per person).
- Each delegation should propose the distribution of rooms and generate the room list through the registration system, which then should be shared with the organisers.
- We kindly request to consider the gender and the age of the participants when finalizing your room list.
- The organisers have the right to board you with a participant from another delegation taking into consideration gender and age.
- Please note that the package will include breakfast each morning from 6:00hrs. Please present your room number at the restaurant to hotel staff for breakfast.
- Children under 12 years of age are not permitted to use the fitness facilities and the swimming pool without adult supervision.
- All hotels provide laundry service, but this cost is not included in your package. Kindly arrange payment separately for this service. The average cost of the service is approximately AED 10 (€ 2.50-3) for a shirt.

Early arrivals and late departures, outside the set hours, as well as room reservations and airport transportation beyond the event dates and set arrival and departure times will be covered by the delegations.



Accommodation

Please find below the list of hotels along with the transportation plan.

Transportation Plan	Hotel	About the hotel	Amenities		Address	Contact Information
Walking distance from ADNEC	Aloft Abu Dhabi	The loft-inspired hotel is set conveniently in ADNEC, just a short drive away from Abu Dhabi International Airport and Abu Dhabi's city sights.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fitness Center • Splash outdoor Pool 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High-speed internet • In-room tea and coffee 	ADNEC – Al Khaleej Al Arabi Street	+971 2 654 5000
Walking distance from ADNEC	Centro Capital Center by Rotana	A modern, stylish and affordable hotel in a strategic location opposite ADNEC and only a 20-minute drive from the airport.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gym • Rooftop Swimming Pool 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High-speed internet • In-room tea and coffee 	ADNEC – Al Khaleej Al Arabi Street	+971 2 409 6666
Walking distance from ADNEC	Capital Centre Arjaan by Rotana	Capital Centre Arjaan by Rotana is conveniently located a few steps away from ADNEC and a few minutes' drive from the centre of Abu Dhabi, Yas Island attractions and Abu Dhabi International Airport.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fitness & Wellness Club (Gym, pool, sauna, steam room etc.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High-speed internet • In-room tea and coffee 	ADNEC – Al Khaleej Al Arabi Street	+971 2 495 4444
Walking distance from ADNEC	Pearl Rotana Capital Centre	Located at the heart of Abu Dhabi's business district, the Pearl Rotana Capital Centre is a modern deluxe hotel. ADNEC is just steps from the property, while the city's Downtown and Yas Island are a short drive away. Pearl Rotana is just 20 minutes from Abu Dhabi International Airport.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fitness & Wellness Club (Gym, pool, sauna, steam room etc.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High-speed internet • In-room tea and coffee 	ADNEC – Al Khaleej Al Arabi Street	+971 2 307 5555
Walking distance from ADNEC	Premier Inn	Premier Inn is located at a short walk from ADNEC and is a comfortable choice for those staying to attend an event in ADNEC.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Free Wi-Fi • Gym • Swimming pool 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-room tea and coffee 	Opposite ADNEC	+971 600 500 503
Transportation will be provided	Novotel Abu Dhabi Al Bustan	Novotel Abu Dhabi Al Bustan is a contemporary hotel located 20 minutes away from the Abu Dhabi International Airport and a short drive away from ADNEC.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Free Wi-Fi • Fitness & Wellness Centre 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outdoor heated pool • In-room tea and coffee 	Sheikh Rashid Bin Saeed St/Rabdan St	+971 2 501 6444
Transportation will be provided	Hilton Capital Grand Abu Dhabi	A stylish hotel in a prime location in Abu Dhabi's commercial district, close to ADNEC, and a 20 minutes' drive away from Abu Dhabi International Airport.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Free Wi-Fi, • 24-hour fitness center 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outdoor swimming pool • In-room tea and coffee 	Sheikh Rashid Bin Saeed St.	+971 2 617 0000
Transportation will be provided	Novotel – Abu Dhabi Gate	Novotel Abu Dhabi Gate is located between Abu Dhabi Gate City and Bain Al Jessrain offering great views of the city and is a 15 minutes' drive away from ADNEC. The hotel is a 15 minutes' drive to Abu Dhabi international Airport and is conveniently adjacent to Ibis Hotel.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Free Wi-Fi, • Outdoor swimming pool 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spa and fitness facilities • In-room tea and coffee 	222 Al Maqta - Street - Abu Dhabi	+971 2 508 9999
Transportation will be provided	Ibis Abu Dhabi Gate	Overlooking the creek, Ibis Abu Dhabi Gate hotel is conveniently located in the quiet area of Al Maqtaa. The hotel is 15 minutes away from ADNEC and Abu Dhabi International Airport; close to major business hubs and key leisure attractions of Abu Dhabi.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Free Wi-Fi, • Outdoor swimming pool 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spa and fitness facilities • In-room tea and coffee 	222 Al Maqta - Street - Abu Dhabi	+971 2 509 0999

Local Transportation

MILSET ESI 2019 participants will be provided with internal transportation during the event week (from 22 to 28 September), on arrival and departure from Abu Dhabi and Dubai Airports.

More information on airport transfers and pick-up points will be sent to the delegates' emails before the event.

Local transportation (taxis and buses) is available in Abu Dhabi, to know more about the routes delegates can download DARB app where they could find routes and schedules according to their needs.



Catering

The MILSET ESI Abu Dhabi 2019 Organising Committee has worked closely with MILSET to ensure that all dietary requirements are considered during your stay in Abu Dhabi.

Please note that the first meal provided on your day of arrival will be lunch and will be served in the hotels between 14:00hrs – 16:00hrs.

Throughout the week, please carry your accreditation badge with you to present to staff to access the halls.

Breakfast

Breakfast is included in the delegate's packages and will be served in your hotel each morning between 06:00hrs – 08:00hrs.

Lunch

All delegates are entitled to lunch, as part of their package and this will take place between 12:00hrs – 14:00hrs in two time slots. Participants will be allocated a time slot for each expo day as follows:

Lunch Slot 1: 12:00hrs – 13:00hrs (for odd numbered booths ex: 1, 3, 5, etc.)

Lunch Slot 2: 13:00hrs – 14:00hrs (for even numbered booths ex: 2, 4, 6, etc.)

There will be a new menu offered and they will be clearly displayed on the menu boards near each station. Soft drinks and water will be available with all meals.

Lunch will be served in Hall 11 in ADNEC with a maximum capacity of 1200 persons at a time. We kindly request your cooperation in organising the delegate's lunch time slots to ensure no one is denied entry.

Catering

Dinner

Dinner will be served at the hotels between 19:00hrs – 21:00hrs. Hotel staff will advise you on the location of the dinner buffet. Please present your accreditation badge to the team at the dinner hall entrance.

Water

Delegates and participants will be working long hours and it is important to stay hydrated. Water bottles will be provided in each participant pack. These should be brought to the MILSET ESI 2019 venue and filled using the water coolers situated in different locations throughout the exhibition halls.

Farewell Dinner

A farewell dinner will be organised to mark the end of MILSET ESI 2019, and it will take place before the closing ceremony. This dinner will be inspired by traditional Emirati cuisine and participants will have the opportunity to taste traditional and authentic dishes from the UAE. Dinner will be served between 18:00hrs – 19:00hrs at ICC Hall.

Meal Schedule

Please refer to the meal schedule below for the exact timing and location of meals.

Date	Time	Meals	Serving Location
Sunday, September 22	12:00 to 16:00	Lunch	Hotels
	19:00 to 21:00	Dinner	Hotels
Monday, September 23	06:00 to 08:00	Breakfast	Hotels
	12:00 to 14:00	Lunch	ADNEC, Hall 11
	19:00 to 21:00	Dinner	Hotels
Tuesday, September 24	06:00 to 08:00	Breakfast	Hotels
	12:00 to 14:00	Lunch	ADNEC, Hall 11
	19:00 to 22:00	Dinner	Hotels
Wednesday, September 25	06:00 to 08:00	Breakfast	Hotels
	12:00 to 14:00	Lunch	ADNEC, Hall 11
	19:00 to 22:00	Dinner	Hotels
Thursday, September 26	06:00 to 08:00	Breakfast	Hotels
	12:00 to 14:00	Lunch	ADNEC, Hall 11
	19:00 to 21:00	Dinner	Hotels
Friday, September 27	06:00 to 08:00	Breakfast	Hotels
	12:00 to 14:00	Lunch	ADNEC, Hall 11
	18:00 to 19:00	Early Dinner (Cultural Night)	ADNEC, ICC
Saturday, September 28	7:00 to 9:00	Breakfast	Hotels
	12:00 to 14:00	Lunch	Hotels

Useful Tips During Your Visit

Currency

Currency The Emirati Dirham is the official currency of the UAE, abbreviated officially as AED. Unofficial abbreviations include 'Dh' and 'Dhs'. The dirham is divided into 100 fils.



* Coins are available in the following denominations: AED 25 ,1 fils and 50 fils.



* Notes are available in the denominations of AED 500 ,200 ,100 ,50 ,20 ,10 ,5 and 1,000.

Exchange rate The UAE Dirham average rate related to USD and Euro is :

1 USD = AED 1

3.67 Euro = AED 4.11

Currency exchanges can be found at the airport and in most shopping malls and will generally offer a better rate of exchange than banks, especially for larger amounts. Please note that shopkeepers and taxi drivers may have problems giving change for any bank note above AED 100. Be aware that the smallest note dispensed from an ATM is AED 100.

Tipping in the UAE is optional but appreciated. You will find a service charge already added to your bill in hotels and hotel restaurants, but this is often not given to restaurant staff. For taxis and restaurant staff, approximately 10 per cent is sufficient, but no offence will be taken if you do not tip.

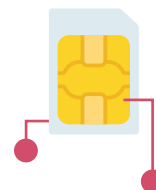
Walking Around, Weather and SIM Cards



Walking around Pedestrians should always observe the "walking man" signs at crossings and use the bridges and underpasses on major roads when available. It is not customary for vehicles to stop for pedestrians on crossings without lights, so always wait for a sufficient gap in traffic before stepping out.



Weather The weather forecast in Abu Dhabi during MILSET ESI Abu Dhabi 2019 week will approximately be around 37°C to 38°C (25°F / 26 °F) with clear, sunny skies.



SIM Card The international code for the UAE is +971. You can purchase SIM cards at airports or in malls. Hotels do provide free Wi-Fi Internet, as do some shopping malls.



Communication Apps Please note that not all video-calling or VoIP apps are used in the UAE. To get in touch with family and friends from home during your stay in Abu Dhabi, we ask you to please consider an app that is used in the UAE, and one that works best for you. Here are some recommendations of calling apps:

• **Google Duo**

• **BOTIM**

• **Telegram**

• **C.Me**

The MILSET ESI Organising Committee will be in touch with delegates via WhatsApp. Please make sure to download this app before arriving in Abu Dhabi.

Cultural Do's and Don'ts

Dress Code Please ensure your attire throughout your trip considers the local customs and culture in the UAE. It is not legally enforced, so observing it is a matter of simple courtesy to your hosts. It is requested that in the case women wear skirts, it should be knee-length, and tops must cover the shoulders. Men should also keep their shoulders covered. Tattoos and piercings are best kept covered in public places.

The dress code for MILSET ESI Abu Dhabi 2019 is formal. Please note shorts and flip-flops are not permitted.

Public Conduct Recommendations During ESI activities consumption of alcohol is prohibited.

Consumption of alcohol is legally and religiously prohibited for Muslims, but the UAE permits the consumption of alcohol for non-Muslims in the country over 21 years old strictly in hotel bars and restaurants but not in other venues. It is strongly advised to always carry identification to show proof of age. If alcohol consumption rules are broken, severe legal action can be taken by the concerned authorities including penalties.

Consumption, purchase and sale of drugs in the UAE is illegal and has extremely serious legal consequences. This includes bringing in illegal drugs into the country.

Using offensive gestures and hand signals to members of the public are to be avoided, especially in traffic situations, and may result in a complaint to the police and possible prosecution.

Couples are expected not to be overly physically demonstrative in public, but holding hands is acceptable. In general, all public signs of affection should be avoided.

Handcraft



Places to visit in ABU DHABI

Enjoy your stay in Abu Dhabi! Take the opportunity to use your spare time to explore our city! These are additional tours, not included in the MILSET ESI 2019 programme, which you may opt to go on. Please note they may have entrance fees which will be the responsibility of the visitor. Please ensure you are aware of the special code requirements before going on any of the tours.

Visit duration: approximately 2 hours

Wahat Al Karama is a special memorial built in honour of the UAE's martyred soldiers who have sacrificed their lives in service to the nation. Translating to 'oasis of dignity', it is a symbol of unity and solidarity comprised of 31 stunningly aligned large aluminum-clad tablets, inscribed with a series of poems and quotes by the UAE's Founding Father, the late Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan.



Qasr Al Watan is a new cultural landmark in Abu Dhabi, inviting visitors to discover the legacy of the traditions and heritage that have shaped the journey of the nation, boosting a cultural understanding of the UAE. It is a unique palace offering visitors an interactive storytelling experience reflecting on the UAE's rich culture and inspiring history through contemporary methods.



Manarat Al Saadiyat is an innovative community space set in the heart of Abu Dhabi's cultural hub of Saadiyat Island. Hosting numerous cultural activities, art exhibitions, community events, it is the perfect gathering spot for those interested in artistic and multi-cultural experiences.



Louvre Abu Dhabi is a spectacular museum built on an island in the sea and a sprawling cultural beacon that seeks to harmonize different cultures and celebrates the achievements of artists from all around the globe.



Visit duration: more than 4 hours

Warner Bros. World™ Abu Dhabi brings together all your favorite Warner Bros. characters and stories under one roof to offer you an enthralling, captivating day out for all the family. Walk through the iconic Warner Bros. shield and be transported to a whole new world of action, adventure and more.



Ferrari World Abu Dhabi is the world's first Ferrari theme park and its largest indoor theme park offering jaw-dropping rides including the world's fastest rollercoaster with a speed of 0 to 240 km/h in 4.9 seconds.



Masdar City is an emerging global clean-technology cluster located in what aims to be one of the world's most sustainable urban developments powered by renewable energy.



Yas Waterworld is an Emirati-themed waterpark located on Yas Island in Abu Dhabi. The waterpark is home to more than 40 rides, slides and attractions. Visitors can follow the story of a young Emirati girl on a quest to find a legendary pearl as they make their way around the attractions. For adrenaline seekers, there are exciting rides like the Bubbles Barrel which see three-metre high waves and the Liwa Loop offering a high-intensity looping waterslide.



Desert Safari is one of the most unique ways to experience the UAE's natural terrain. The off-road Arabian adventure takes you from the city to the golden sand dunes of the desert. The Arabian roller coaster ride known as dune bashing (desert driving) will offer adventure seekers a thrill of a ride.



Saadiyat Beach is one of Abu Dhabi's most beautiful beaches known for its clear blue waters and white sand. Located on Saadiyat Island, Saadiyat Beach has maintained a reputation as one of the most desirable beach locations in the Middle East for its unspoiled, pristine landscape where you may find nesting Hawksbill turtles or spot dolphins swimming in the distance!



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