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# **Global Forum on Data Governance and Digital Transformation and AI Conference 2024**

## **INFORMATION NOTE**

Date: 23-25 April 2024

Venue: Macau, SAR China

### **GENERAL**

Welcome to Macau, the Special Administrative Region of China for the United Nations Global Forum on Data Governance and Digital Transformation!

The Forum is being organized by the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA), through its Division for Public Institutions and Digital Government (DPIDG) and will be held in Macau on 23-24 April 2024. This event is being held in collaboration with an AI Conference organized by the United Nations University (UNU-Macau) on 25 April 2024, under its overarching theme of “AI for All: Bridging Divides, Building a Sustainable Future”.

In order to ensure your smooth participation, please read this note carefully. The information listed in this note is subject to change, please refer to the conference webpage at [aimacau-2024.org](https://aimacau-2024.org) for the latest updates.

## **VENUE**

### Global Forum on Data Governance and Digital Transformation: **23-24 April 2024**

United Nations University Institute in Macau  
Casa Silva Mendes Building  
Estrada do Engenheiro Trigo No 4  
Tel: +853-2871-2930

### UNU-Macau AI Conference:

### AI for All: Bridging Divides, Building a Sustainable Future: **25 April 2024**

The Macau Tower Convention and Entertainment Center  
Largo da Torre de Macau, Macau Tel: +853-2871-2930

Participants are provided with complementary roundtrip transportation between Hotel Royal and Macau Tower Convention and Entertainment Center on 25 April 2024 for the AI Conference. Shuttle departs at 8:15 am from Hotel Royal (street entrance). After the farewell reception dinner at the Macau Tower 360 Café, a shuttle bus will take you back to the Hotel Royal.

## **REGISTRATION**

Personalized badges can be collected on the first day at the United Nations University Institute in Macau, Casa Silva Mendes Building where the Forum will be held.

Please wear your badge throughout the Forum.

## **VISA**

It is the responsibility of the individual participant for obtaining an entry visa to Macau, SAR China.

It is important to contact the nearest Consulate and/or Embassy of the People's Republic of China in your country to check entry visa requirements.

The nationals of 81 countries listed below are ***visa-exempted***.

Albania	Indonesia	Philippines
Andorra	Ireland	Poland
Australia	Israel	Portugal
Austria	Italy	Republic of Argentina
Belgium	Japan	Republic of Armenia
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Kingdom of Morocco	Republic of Belarus
Brazil	Kiribati	Republic of Ecuador
Brunei	Korea (Republic of)	Romania
Bulgaria	Latvia	Russia
Canada	Lebanon	Samoa
Cape Verde	Liechtenstein	San Marino
Chile	Lithuania	Serbia
Croatia	Luxembourg	Seychelles
Cyprus	Macedonia	Singapore
Czech	Malaysia	Slovakia
Denmark	Mali	Slovenia
Dominica	Malta	South Africa
Egypt	Mauritius	Spain
Estonia	Mexico	Sweden
Finland	Moldova	Switzerland
France	Monaco	Tanzania
Germany	Mongolia	Thailand
Greece	Montenegro	Turkey
Grenada	Namibia	United Arab Emirates
Hungary	Netherlands	U.S.A.
Iceland	New Zealand	United Kingdom
India	Norway	Uruguay

The nationals of 6 countries are ***required to apply for entry visa in advance*** through an embassy or consulate of the People's Republic of China.

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| 1. Bangladesh | 3. Nigeria  | 5. Sri Lanka |
| 2. Nepal      | 4. Pakistan | 6. Viet Nam  |

The nationals of countries other than the 87 mentioned above are required to apply for an **entry permit upon their arrival** at the Macau International Airport. The individual Visa-Upon-Arrival will cost MOP\$200 for a single entry, and \$300 for multiple entry within 30 days.

Comprehensive information can be found at <https://www.gov.mo/en/services/ps-1474/ps-1474b/>

Special Note:

For travellers entering Macau, you may be required to provide proof of financial subsistence. It could be a confirmation of the possession of credit cards and/or cash equivalents. This is a verification procedure only.

The level of financial subsistence versus length of stay

<b>Intended length of stay</b>	<b>Possession of Financial Subsistence (value in Macau Patacas MOP)</b>
7 days	At least MOP\$5000
8-14 days	At least MOP\$10,000
15-21 days	At least MOP\$15,000
22 days or longer	At least MOP\$20,000

## **TRAVEL INFORMATION**

### Arrival and Transportation to the Hotel

All participants are responsible for arranging their own transportation to and from the airport. There are different transportation options, including bus and taxi.

### Hotel Accommodation and Meals

Accommodation at Hotel Royal Macau and all meals during the Forum, including coffee breaks in the morning and the afternoon, will be provided for the funded participants.

For self-funded participants, we have secured the preferred rate at Hotel Royal Macau for a Deluxe Room with breakfast for MOP 850 per night on 22 – 25 April and MOP 1030 on 26 April. Please use the Hotel Reservation Form available on the conference website at [aimacau-2024.org](http://aimacau-2024.org) and contact the hotel directly for booking.

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### Internet Service

Free Wi-Fi is available at the venue and designated hotel.

### Foreign Currency Declaration and Exchange

The official currency of Macau is the Macanese Pataca (MOP).

Foreign currency exchange services are available at Macau International Airport, ferry terminals, banks and many hotels in the city. ATMs are widely available.

Major credit and debit cards are widely accepted.

### Weather

The average temperature in Macau in April varies from 20°C to 25°C. The rainy season in Macau starts in April. It is recommended to pack light jackets, layering items and an umbrella.

### Language & Communication

The two official languages of Macau are Chinese and Portuguese. English is widely spoken. The Forum will be conducted in English.

### First-aid and Emergency Service

Police, Fire and Ambulance: 999