#### **Travel Information**

#### **Conference Hotel:**

The Grand Mogador Menara

Avenue Mohammed VI

Marrakesh (Morocco)

https://www.mogadorhotels.com/MH/Recherche/Show?hotel=5

# From the airport to Grand Mogador Menara:

- 1) From the airport in Casablanca: Take a <u>Casablanca Voyageur</u> train to Marrakesh (the destination is the airport). You can purchase your one-way ticket for 212 DH (first class) or 138 DH (second class). Round-trip tickets are also available. See here for more information.
- 2) From the airport in Marrakesh: It is easiest to take a taxi to the hotel from the airport. It will be about a 15-minute ride and the price should be 100-150 DH.

## Some tips from travel sites:

**Taxis:** According to many travel websites, it's best to agree with your cab driver the amount you'll be paying before the journey begins and to be sure the meter is running. Also, if you're staying in a hotel, you can inquire the amount they advise a cab journey to be and then pitch it to the cab driver when you get in, usually they happily agree to it after sometimes trying to haggle a little. You can read some tips here and here.

**Clothing:** As in any country, the idea is to respect the locals. This means that it is appreciated when people dress "modestly." For women, it could be a good idea to have with you something that covers your arms. However, Marrakesh is a tourist city, so the people are used to have people dress the way they want. The streets are also often uneven or cobbled so bring sensible and comfortable shoes for all the walking you'll be doing.

**Paying for things:** In Morocco the Euro and the US dollar are accepted currencies. However, you may find it easier to pay for things with the local currency (Moroccan Dinars or DH). You can attain those most readily at an ATM (look for them in the airport) OR you can get dinars at the airport currency exchange booth. Sites do suggest you change or spend your dirham before getting to the airport. You can also pay with credit cards, especially in department stores.

### **General tips for traveling to Marrakesh:**

http://www.worldofwanderlust.com/top-11-tips-when-visiting-marrakech/

https://www.alongdustyroads.com/posts/marrakech-morocco-travel-tips

https://wikitravel.org/en/Marrakech

https://marocmama.com/marrakech/

(more on the following page)

## What to see and do in Marrakesh:

 $\underline{\text{https://www.travelandleisure.com/trip-ideas/reasons-to-visit-marrakesh-morocco\#secret-gardenmarrakech}$ 

 $\frac{\text{https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2017/02/02/travel/what-to-do-36-hours-in-marrakesh-morocco.html}{}$ 

https://www.cnn.com/travel/article/morocco-marrakech-best-of/index.html

https://theculturetrip.com/africa/morocco/articles/the-top-10-things-to-do-and-see-in-marrakech/