

WORLD EXPORT DEVELOPMENT FORUM 2023

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Note: Please check for biweekly updates on visas, hotels, flights and tourism packages

Participation in WEDF 2023 and business development meetings are free of charge and subject to confirmation by the organizers. Participants are responsible for their travel and accommodation costs.

WEDF, including its related events, takes place from Monday, 26 June through Thursday, 29 June. The Official Opening will be in the morning of 27 June. The Official Closing will be in the afternoon of 28 June.

Before the official opening, on Monday 26 June, related events include the launch of a *SheTrades Hub for Mongolia*, an *LLDC Private Sector Preparatory Meeting*, and *Business Clinics*.

After the closing, on Thursday 29 June, there will be a capacity-building day, dedicated to organic certification, quality management system, market linkages and e-commerce training.

The event takes place in English. Simultaneous interpretation from and into Mongolian will be offered for WEDF plenary sessions.

See the [WEDF registration](#) pages online for regular updates.

Mongolia: business development

Mongolia's commitment to diversifying into non-traditional export areas, as well as its young population, present exciting opportunities for businesses looking to expand into new markets. Mongolia positions itself as a hub for innovation and entrepreneurship.

The country has demonstrated its commitment to developing its non-mining sectors, with a particular focus on agribusiness, prioritizing pine nuts and services, as well as tourism and ICT. Particularly, Mongolia supports women entrepreneurs and youth businesses.

Entry requirements for Mongolia

Mongolia allows many countries to travel to its country without a visa for the duration of a conference. For a full list of countries and length of permitted stays, [click here](#).

For countries which are not on this list and hence require a visa, Mongolian immigration authorities have guaranteed visa-on-arrival for all **registered** WEDF participants. The registration process will collect your passport and other basic information, which will be provided to the Mongolia Department of Immigration. You will then receive a signed and stamped letter from the Department confirming your eligibility for visa-on-arrival, so that you can depart from your port of origin without complication.

Accommodation and meals

Participants are expected to make their own accommodation arrangements.

The hotels below are examples for participants to consider. WEDF organizers are looking into preferential rates. Please check this page regularly for updates on booking codes with preferential rates.

- [Best Western Premier Tuushin Hotel](#)
- [Blue Sky Hotel & Tower](#)
- [Shangri-La Ulaanbaatar](#)
- [Kempinski Hotel Khan Palace](#)

During the conference, lunch and coffee/tea breaks are offered on 27 and 28 June. Dinner is also



offered on 27 June.



Travel to Mongolia

[Chinggis Khaan International Airport](#) is 52 km south of the country's capital, Ulaanbaatar. Opened in 2021, it is Mongolia's largest airport. Four shuttle buses connect travelers to the capital. Among the airlines offering the most frequent travel to Mongolia are:

- Mongolian Airlines
- Turkish Airlines
- Qatar Airways
- Air China
- Hunnu Air
- Korean Air
- Air Busan
- Tway Air
- Asiana Airlines

To obtain preferential flight rates to Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia on Mongolian Airlines, please contact Ms. Ts. Azzaya at Tapatrip LLC:

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Language

While Mongolian is the official language, there are two additional languages that are widely spoken in Mongolia, namely Chinese and Russian.

Currency

The local currency in Mongolia is the Tughrik. ATM machines are available in major hotels and at the Chinggis Khan International Airport (on its second floor). We recommend that participants also bring dollars. The official daily foreign exchange rates can be explored at the [Central Bank of Mongolia](#).

Credit cards

Credit cards can be used at upmarket shops, major hotels and many restaurants in the capital. For small businesses and markets, and outside of the capital, local currency is required.

Tourist packages

Sightseeing tours for WEDF participants are in preparation. All tours are available for a fee and must be reserved by the delegate directly with the tour operator. See the WEDF site for updated information.

