PAL NETWORK TEST DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP

27th November – 1st December 2017 | Lagos, Nigeria
Ekaabo!

On behalf of the LEARNigeria team, I am delighted to welcome you to the beautiful and bustling city of Lagos, where the 2017 PAL Network Test Development Workshop will be held.

We hope that you and all the other members of the network will find your stay in Nigeria enlightening, productive and enjoyable. We have provided information below which we hope you will find useful as you plan your trip. We would also be happy to provide you with any assistance to make your experience in this city a pleasantly memorable one.

Beyond learning and sharing at the workshop, we hope that you will take time out to explore the delights that Lagos has to offer - from fabric and arts, to music and entertainment - and to enjoy the hospitality of the people who live in Africa’s largest mega-city.

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A Brief about Lagos
Lagos State is Nigeria’s commercial capital with an estimated population of about 21 million making it the most populous city in Africa. Lagos is a port city sitting on the coast of the Atlantic Ocean and therefore featuring several beaches and abundant marine wildlife. Lagos State is Nigeria’s financial nerve centre and used to be the nation’s capital before this was moved to the Federal Capital Territory in Abuja. If Lagos were a country, it would be the fifth largest economy in Africa.

Arrivals
Participants living outside Nigeria will arrive at Murtala Muhammed International Airport (LOS). Please ensure you are in possession of a valid visa.

Important Documents
Please bring the following to present at the Nigerian Immigration Stand:

- A valid international passport
- Your invitation letter from TEP Centre
- Cash for your Visa on Arrival (if applicable) between $100 - $300

Travel from Murtala Muhammed Airport to Golf View Hotels, GRA Ikeja
LEARNigeria has organized transfers from Murtala Muhammed Airport to Golf View Hotels in GRA Ikeja for participants of the PAL Network Test Development Workshop. Please look for a sign with ‘YOUR NAME’ and ‘PAL NETWORK’ on it after going through immigration, customs and baggage claim for international terminals. Note that some flights are carrying multiple workshop participants, and you may be assigned to shared cars or buses (these will only be assigned to participants arriving on the same flight). Please expect a short walk to the multi-storey airport car park where you will be picked up.

Finding your driver
If you cannot find your driver or have any other issues upon arrival, please contact

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Upon the conclusion of the workshop, cars or buses will also be arranged to transport you back to the airport. Precise times will be communicated in Lagos.
Workshop Venue
The workshop will take place at the Golf View Hotels, GRA Ikeja Lagos.

PAL Network will be responsible for your accommodation at the hotel for the duration of the workshop. When checking in, please mention that you are a guest participating in the PAL Network Workshop.

Golf View Hotel is located at:
12, General Adeyinka Adebayo Road, GRA, Ikeja,
Lagos State, Nigeria
Hotel telephone number: +234 803 304 7343

Participants will be expected to make personal payments for any incidental charges incurred (e.g. laundry, room service, international calls, mini bar, alcohol etc.). The hotel is equipped with free high-speed Internet that we trust will accommodate your communication needs.

Meals
For the duration of your stay at the Golf View Hotels, you will be able to enjoy complimentary continental breakfast. We will provide coffee and tea in the mornings and afternoons of our scheduled sessions, in addition to lunch and dinner. You will be required to cater for any other meals not covered during these sessions.

Places of interest around GRA, Ikeja, Lagos
The conference venue is located in a low-density suburb with a mix of both residential and commercial structures. From the workshop venue, you have easy access to a range of restaurants, eateries, bars and shopping malls such as the HubMart Shopping Mall, the Ikeja City Mall, Maryland Mall, Barcelos Restaurant, Le Mango Restaurant and Bar, Domino’s Pizza and Cold Stone Creamery, Yellow Chili Restaurant, Zen Garden (Chinese restaurant) and many more. Movie cinemas are also available at the Ikeja City mall and the Maryland mall. Taxi services can be booked through the hotel reception or via the Uber or Taxify apps.

Currency Exchange Rates
The local currency is naira. Currencies that are easiest to exchange for naira are the US Dollar and the British Pound. Below is the conversion rate:

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Mobile Networks Access
There are four GSM providers in Lagos: MTN, Airtel, Glo and 9Mobile (formerly Etisalat). The SIM cards are affordable and easy to get. However due to government regulations, you are required to register newly purchased SIMs before they can be used. The registration process takes an average of 15 minutes and line activation another 24 hours or less.

Weather
Temperatures in Lagos in November are on average 23°C, with light rain and thunderstorms expected. Please come with comfortable walking shoes. You may also bring a raincoat along.

Contact Information
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