Getting Ready for the Second World Summit for Social Development: Essential Logistical Information for Participants

Revised as of 3 November

As the Second World Summit for Social Development approaches, participants traveling to Doha are encouraged to prepare carefully for a smooth experience at the Qatar National Convention Centre (QNCC), the venue for the Summit from 4 to 6 November 2025, with pre-Summit activities taking place on 3 November.

Delegations are encouraged to consult the official Information Note for Delegates: English | Français | Español | Русский | عربي | 汉

IMPORTANT! On 4 November 2025, expect road closures in the early morning, as early as 6:00 AM and last until 5:00 PM. It is recommended to use the Doha metro in the morning.

QNCC venue will be open from 6:00 AM on 4 November.

Participant checklist:

- 1. Plan to arrive early. Due to possible road closures, badging and security screening, participants are strongly advised to arrive well in advance and as much as possible take the metro (Education City Station). From 5:30 AM on 4 November and 6:30 AM on 5 and 6 November, regular shuttles will be available to take participants from the metro stop to QNCC. In the QNCC, please continue to the Level G (basement).
- 2. Bring your own reusable water bottle. Water dispensers will be available throughout the venue.
- 3. Wear comfortable shoes. Walking distances within the venue can be long.
- 4. Keep your Summit badge visible at all times.
- 5. Download the <u>TeamUp</u> application, which shows the most up-to-date, comprehensive information about the Summit programme.

- 6. Download the transportation mobile guide developed by the Host Country, which shows exact drop off locations for different Summit participants. The guide is available in Arabic and English: https://qr1.be/I4WG
- Pick up your complimentary gift bag on the Ground Level between 4 6
 November.
- 8. Get your free metro card. Each participant can pick up a free Doha Metro card (valid between 2–6 November), in the QNCC basement. See the Summit venue map here.
- 9. Check the Summit's official website for further information.
- 10. Follow us on social media using hashtag #SocialSummit2025!

Transport to the Qatar National Convention Centre (QNCC):

- Doha Metro Green Line (recommended), which stops at Education City station near the venue. Shuttle bus from the station to the venue will be available. A map of the Doha Metro system is provided in Annex II of the revised Information note for delegations. From 5:30 AM on 4 November and 6:30 AM on 5 and 6 November, regular shuttles will be available to take participants from the metro stop to QNCC. In the QNCC, please continue to the Level G (basement).
- Shuttle Services from Hotels: A shuttle service between selected hotels and the venue will be arranged; transport desks are set up in the hotels recommended by the Host Country (see section "Accommodation"). The buses will take you to the QNCC Parking Garage, from which you will enter the facility and take the escalators down to the Registration Centre on the Basement level.
- A mobile guide has been developed by the Host Country to inform drop-off locations, and is available in Arabic and English: https://qr1.be/l4WG.
 - VVIPs and VIPs select "VIP"

- Member States Delegates & UN staff servicing the Summit select 'delegate'
- General participants 'visitors'
- Each participant can pick up a free Doha Metro card (valid between 2–6
 November) at the QNCC Basement level.

Badging and Security

Upon arrival, participants should proceed directly to the "Badging Stations" counter to collect their Summit badge. Please ensure you bring a valid passport or government-issued photo ID and a copy of your confirmation letter.

Participants are strongly encouraged to collect their Summit badges as early as possible, as long queues are expected during Summit days. Please note that road closures are expected on the morning of 4 November. On that day only, the venue will open at 6:00 am to allow participants to arrive early and avoid anticipated road closures.

See our Summit website for the opening hours of the Registration Center.

Remember, bags larger than $35 \times 33 \times 10$ cm are not permitted, and no luggage storage is available on-site.

Access to the opening segment of the plenary meeting (morning of 4 November)

To access the opening of the plenary meeting on the morning of 4 November (9:00-10:30 AM), participants will need a secondary access card, in addition to their Summit badge, on the main level of the Plenary Hall (second level).

Participants who wish to access the main floor seating area will require a secondary access card. Access from the balcony of the Plenary Hall (third level) will be on a first come, first-served basis without the need for an access card (with the exception of T badge holders).

In the event that the Plenary Hall reaches full capacity, participants may follow the Opening Segment and first plenary meeting from a designated overflow room in Auditorium 2 (Ground Level), where the session will be livestreamed in English.

Venue and Facilities

See the Summit venue map here.



With these preparations in place, participants can look forward to a safe, comfortable, and well-coordinated Summit experience in Doha.

https://social.desa.un.org/world-summit-2025/logistical-info