



# The 18<sup>th</sup> Satellite Applications Course

3-7 September 2023, Salalah, Oman

## **Information Notes**

### Preliminary course information:

The 18th Satellite Applications Course hosted by Center of Excellence for Satellite Application - Muscat in cooperation with EUMETSAT from 3rd to 7th of Sep 2023. This course aims to train trainers in the region in the field of weather satellite and introducing the MTG mission and exploring its first data. The workshop offers a balanced blend of theoretical and practical sessions, ensuring a hands-on learning experience for all participants.

### Weather information:

The air temperature in Salalah city in September can range from 24°C (min) to 30°C (max). The weather is partly cloudy to cloudy with occasional drizzle

### Classroom Location:

The classroom is located near the Airport in the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) building. Use the link below to find the location



<https://maps.app.goo.gl/xN71N5viy6CP1JQs6>

## Taxi and Car Rental Options at Salalah Airport

The table below illustrates some of the available option.

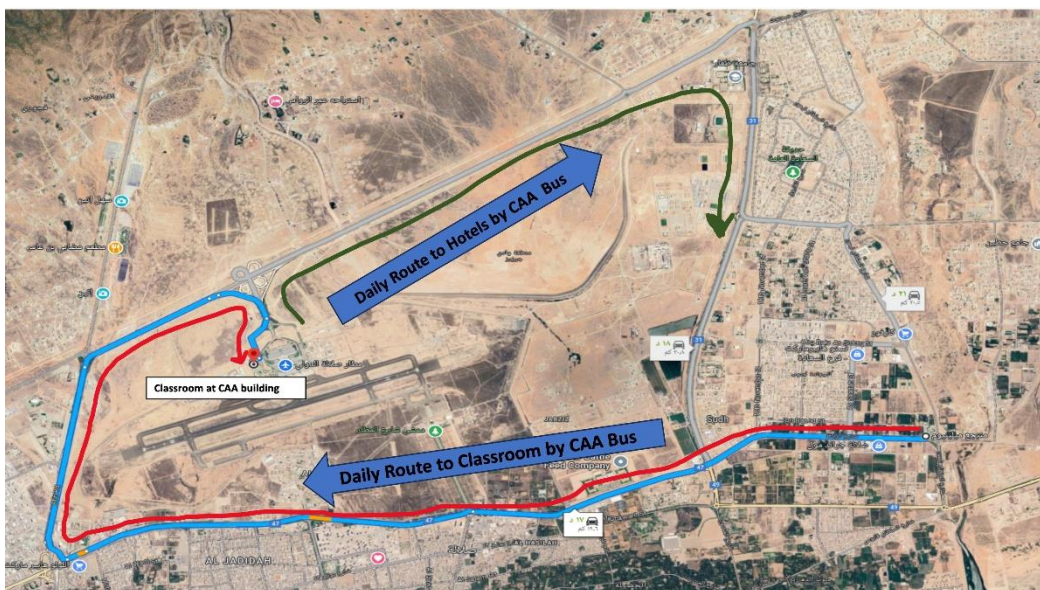
Type of transportation	Booking Time	Estimated Price	Accessibility
Taxi	Advance or Arrival	5-7 OMR	Found at the airport taxi exit gate
OTAXI (Online Application)	Arrival	Starts from 1.5 OMR	Smart Phone Apps
Car rental	Arrival or in Advance	Varies	Check the available Companies at the airport Or Booking.com

## To the Workshop Venue

Daily transportation (by bus) from hotels to the venue (located at Civil aviation Authority building in the airport area) will be managed by CAA if you are going to stay in one of the hotels in the list and the map below:

## Daily Trips to the Classroom:

To those who want to use CAA bus (free service) they should book a hotel room along the **red line** on left of the **blue line** “hotel-classroom trip” (<https://maps.app.goo.gl/gwk2yiW2Bh2M4FGE6>). Some recommended hotels along that line are listed in the table. The classroom-hotel trip is in **green**, as below:



Recommended hotels along the trip	Location
Millennium Resort Salalah منتجع ميلينيوم	<a href="https://goo.gl/maps/h24UK5zfXpDpUJiv7">https://goo.gl/maps/h24UK5zfXpDpUJiv7</a>
Plaza Hotel Resort Salalah فندق ومنتجع البلازا	<a href="https://goo.gl/maps/ZsCKx15LpOgCMy1n6">https://goo.gl/maps/ZsCKx15LpOgCMy1n6</a>
Gateway Salalah Apartments بوابة صلالة	<a href="https://goo.gl/maps/V4SrVEovvA67QsKG8">https://goo.gl/maps/V4SrVEovvA67QsKG8</a>
Salalah Gardens Hotel فندق حدائق صلالة	<a href="https://goo.gl/maps/hoBRog1xwSqHU6bH8">https://goo.gl/maps/hoBRog1xwSqHU6bH8</a>
Hamdan Plaza Hotel فندق حمدان بلازا صلالة	<a href="https://goo.gl/maps/7oLpoWgSRVFXYeGJA">https://goo.gl/maps/7oLpoWgSRVFXYeGJA</a>
Hotel Salalah فندق صلالة	<a href="https://goo.gl/maps/Q24rsC2o1bPj5pDq7">https://goo.gl/maps/Q24rsC2o1bPj5pDq7</a>

### Banking Hours, Currency, and Credit Cards:

Working hours for most banks are Sundays through Thursday, between 8:00 am to 1:30 pm. Money exchange can be done through banks dealing with foreign exchange, or through Money Exchange Offices.

Major credit cards are accepted at many hotels, restaurants, and shopping outlets. There are numerous automatic teller machines ATMs in Salalah, and accept international debit cards, where you can withdraw Omani Riyals from ATMs found at shopping malls and convenience stores.

The official currency of Oman is the Omani Riyal, OMR. 1 USD = 0.375 OMR.

(N.B. the rate of exchange varies with time)

### Telecommunication

There are three telecommunication companies in Oman. The visitors can get E-SIM or physical SIM at the airport. see table below:

Company name	Branches	More information
Omantel	-Salalah international Airport -Salalah City	<a href="https://www.omantel.om/">https://www.omantel.om/</a>
Ooredoo (Oman)	-Salalah International Airport -Salalah City	<a href="https://www.ooredoo.om/">https://www.ooredoo.om/</a>
Vodafone	-Salalah International Airport -Salalah City	<a href="https://www.vodafone.om">https://www.vodafone.om</a>

### **Additional information:**

#### Food delivery Apps

- Talabat  
IOS (<https://apps.apple.com/om/app/talabat-food-grocery-order/id451001072>)  
Android (<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.talabat>)
- TMDone  
IOS (<https://apps.apple.com/om/app/tm-done/id1500042163>)  
Android ( <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.tmdone.client>)

#### Shopping and attractions:

- AL Hafah Souq (traditional market)  
<https://goo.gl/maps/Ujdzkd9bgqCZNvTG7>
- Salalah gardens Mall  
<https://goo.gl/maps/NjdbnpikGgZkyQKu8>
- Salalah grand Mall  
<https://goo.gl/maps/mhjCjvYMKcmP2yP9>
- The beach front  
<https://goo.gl/maps/XMC2NzD6tY8PPT738>

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**Please do not hesitate to ask for further information**