

# POEM 3rd Scientific Meeting -March 2023

**Location of the conference**: At Al Bustan Palace- A Ritz Carlton (<u>Click here</u> for the map location)

# POEM 3<sup>rd</sup> Scientific Meeting Schedule:

Friday, March 03, 2023						
	Time	Program	Location			
<u>Meet the Expert Session</u> How I treat infantile brain tumors	8:30 - 9:30	<u>Click here</u> for the scientific program	Qurrayat Room (A and B)			
<u>Meet the Expert Session</u> Refractory and relapsed Hodgkin's in low-resource setting	8:30 - 9:30	<u>Click here</u> for the scientific program	Tiwi Room			
Scientific Meeting	9:30 - 17:30	<u>Click here</u> for the scientific program	Royal Oman Auditorium			
Nursing Workshop	8:00 - 17:00	<u>Click here</u> for the nursing workshop program	Qurrayat Room (A&B)			
Opening Ceremony & POEM 10 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration	19:30 - 22:00	<u>Click here</u> for the opening ceremony program	Royal Oman Auditorium			
Saturday, March 04, 2023						
	Time	Program	Location			
<u>Meet the Expert Session</u> Pediatric Oncology Career Development in Low-Middle income countries	8:00 - 9:00	<u>Click here</u> for the scientific program	Qurrayat Room (A and B)			
<u>Meet the Expert Session</u> Building a retinoblastoma program in a lower-resource setting	8:00 - 9:00	<u>Click here</u> for the scientific program	Tiwi Room			
Scientific Meeting	9:00 - 17:00	<u>Click here</u> for the scientific program	Royal Oman Auditorium			

Nursing Workshop 8	:00 - 16:00	•		Qurrayat Room		
		workshop program		(A&B)		
Gala Dinner L	nner Location: Rozna Restaurant					
Transportation pick-up at 19:00 from Al Bustan Palace Lobby						
Sunday, March 05, 2023						
	Time	Program	Location			
Meet the Expert Session	8:00-9:00	<u>Click here</u> for the	Qurrayat And B			
Refractory lymphoblastic		scientific program				
Leukemia						
Meet the Expert Session	8:00-9:00	<u>Click here</u> for the	Tiwi Room			
Treatment of relapsed		scientific program				
Nephroblastoma						
Meet the Expert Session	8:00-9:00	<u>Click here</u> for the	Mazoon Room			
Health Systems and Policies		scientific program				
Scientific Meeting	9:00-13:30	<u>Click here</u> for the	Royal Oman Auditorium			
		scientific program				
Multidisciplinary Workshop for	9:50-16:45	<u>Click here</u> for the	Tiwi Ro	om		
Local Treatment of Abdominal		program				
Tumors		_				
Qualitative Research Workshop	14:00 - 17:00	<u>Click here</u> for the	Qurraya	at A&B		
		program				
Retinoblastoma Workshop	9:00 - 13:00		Mazoon	n Room		
(closed meeting)						

## **General Information:**

#### Climate

Oman enjoys a subtropical climate, more often than not, the sun is shining, and days are pleasant.

**Autumn/ Winter:** October - April has moderate average daytime temperatures between 23-30 Celsius (77-86F).

**All year round** – the Mountain areas of Jebal Akhdar and Jebal Shams offer cool and fresh weather from 9-20 Degree Celsius (48- 77F) during Winter and 20-25 Degree Celsius (68- 77 F) during Summer.

## Size

309,500 Km2 – the third largest Arabian Country and second largest in the GCC region.

## Population

5,107,000 - majority are Omani Nationals. Head of State His Majesty Sultan Haitham bin Tariq (Since 2020) Capital City Muscat Major Cities Salalah, Nizwa, Sur, Sohar and Duqm.

#### **Business Hours**

Like most countries in the Gulf region, Oman's official business week is Sunday-Thursday, with the weekend being Friday and Saturday.

Banks, Embassies and Consulates are generally open from 8am-12 noon.

#### Language

The official language is Arabic, but English is widely spoken and understood. All street signs and directions are in both Arabic and English with multi-lingual tour guides available.

**Time** GMT +4 Hours.

## Currency

Omani Rial, equivalent to USD 2.6 pegged. Electric Current

220/240 Volts, alternating at 50 cycles per second. Standard British-type 13-amp square three-pin plugs are used throughout country. European or US-made appliances may need a plug adapter.



## **Omani Units of Measurement**

Measurements Distances are measured in kilometers and meters, Celsius degrees is most commonly used, and kilograms and grams are used to indicate weight.

## Driving

An international driver's license is required when driving in Oman and driving is on the right.

## **Credit Cards**

Major cards such as Visa, MasterCard and Amex are widely accepted. Money Exchange Money can be exchanged at Muscat International Airport, money exchanges and banks. Always make sure to have your passport or ID when exchanging money.

## Clothing

While dress codes are fairly liberal, consideration should be given not to offend the sensibilities of others. Swimwear should be worn only on beaches or at swimming pools in hotels. When visiting shopping malls and other attractions, tourists should wear clothing

that is not too tight or revealing. Certain attractions such as mosques or religious sites usually have stricter dress codes, requiring both men and women to cover up bare shoulders, arms and legs, and women to wear headscarves.

## Liquor

Alcohol is available in hotels, clubs and their restaurants and bars as well.

Have a safe flight and looking forward to seeing you in Oman!