

38th ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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03 - 05 MARCH 2020

**School Delegate
Information**

#BSME20

Delegate Information Pack

A very warm welcome to the 38th BSME Annual Conference and Exhibition 2020. We are delighted to be back at the Crowne Plaza Hotel Abu Dhabi Yas Island and Yas Marina Conference Centre, Abu Dhabi. Buses will be provided for the very short journey between the hotel and the conference centre on Wednesday 04 and Thursday 05 March.

Registration

Principals and Headteachers can register from 08:30 to 10:00 on Tuesday 03 March 2020 in the BSME Conference Reception area, underneath Jing Asia restaurant in the Crowne Plaza Hotel Abu Dhabi Yas Island. Tickets for the Charity Quiz will also be on sale during registration.

Please Note:

- **The first Conference session starts at 10:00 in the Crowne Plaza Boardroom on Tuesday 03 March.**
- **The Ed Goodwin Award for Exceptional Service winners will be announced and trophies awarded during the plenary on Thursday 05 March.**
- **The BSME-SRS Art Competition winners will be announced and trophies awarded during the plenary on Thursday 05 March.**

Yas Marina Conference Centre (YMCC) security will allow only registered delegates access to the Conference Centre. In the event of a name change of the delegate attending, please let [Emma](#) know as soon as possible.

Delegates must wear their lanyards at all times in the hotel and YMCC.

Exhibition

Our BSME Partners will host another impressive education exhibition at the YMCC. Please engage with our Partners who offer BSME schools services and tools at favourable rates!

Conference App

The app will be launched prior to the conference and will give you access to delegate lists, the conference programme, social event information and much more. Registration will be sent directly to your email address, so look out for your link in your inbox.

Getting to the YMCC

Buses will take delegates to the YMCC at the start of each day (07:30 – 08:00). Bus schedules will also be available on the conference app. If you are driving to the Conference and Exhibition, please park in the underground car park at the Crowne Plaza hotel and take the bus from the hotel lobby. Self-parking at the hotel is complimentary. The car park also has a 24-hour car valet service. Please mention the BSME Conference to security or the concierge when parking. They will direct you to the buses.

Social Events

T +973 17798405 | **W** www.bsme.org.uk | BSME, 12-14 Carlton Place, Southampton, Hants, SO15 2EA

f www.facebook.com/bsmeorg **t** @BSMEorg **in** British Schools in the Middle East **ig** bsmeorg

BSME is a not-for-profit organisation

Tuesday 03 March | Welcome Reception | 18:30 – 19:30

Location: Crowne Plaza Sundowner Terrace
Dress Code: Casual

Tuesday 03 March | Social Event and Quiz | 19:30 onwards

Tickets will be on sale at the registration from 08:30 – 10:00 on Tuesday 03 March 2020. Drinks will be complimentary for the first two hours at the social event and quiz. 100% of proceeds from ticket sales will be given to this year's charity.

Location: Crowne Plaza Ballroom Terrace
Ticket price: AED250 per ticket; sold at the registration desks
Dress code: Casual

Wednesday 04 March | Conference Dinner | 18:30

Location: Stills Restaurant Terrace, Crowne Plaza Hotel
Dress Code: Smart

Social Media

Please use our event hashtag #BSME20 on the following channels:



@BSMEorg

Wi-Fi Connection

Complimentary Wi-Fi will be available in the hotel and conference centre:

Wi-Fi at the hotel engages automatically. At the YMCC, please use the following details to connect:

- Network Name: BSME Annual Conference
- Password: BSMEAC20

Arrival at Abu Dhabi Airport

A new visa counter has been launched at Abu Dhabi Airport to facilitate the visa application process and grant both transit and arriving passengers visas to Abu Dhabi within 15 to 30 minutes. **However, we recommend that, should you require a visa, that this be arranged prior to your departure.**

Taxis

Taxis are readily available outside the airport arrivals hall. The fare from the airport to the Crowne Plaza is approximately AED40-50 per trip. Careem and Uber operate in Abu Dhabi.

If you require a taxi whilst at the Crowne Plaza Yas Marina, Abu Dhabi Taxi Service: +971 2 600 53 53 53. A hotel limo service is available at the concierge desk +971 2 656 3008 or 3009. Please note that taxis cannot enter the YMCC and you will have to be picked up at the hotel.

WhatsApp/Facetime

Please be aware that WhatsApp, Facetime and Skype calls are not permitted in the UAE. WhatsApp text messages will work, as will Facebook Messenger.

ATM

An ATM is located in the lobby of the Crowne Plaza, next to the Stills Bar and Restaurant entrance.

Shopping

The nearest mall is Yas Mall, Yas Island

Useful Links

[Take a tour of Abu Dhabi's Grand Mosque](#)

[BBC - The Travel Show – Abu Dhabi – BBC iPlayer required/UK only](#)

[Louvre, Abu Dhabi](#)

[Crowne Plaza Hotel Abu Dhabi Yas Island](#)

[Ferrari World](#)

[Abu Dhabi Official Visitor Website](#)

[Yas Shopping Mall](#)