

WORLD TOURIST GUIDE CHALLENGE

June 21 - 25, 2026
LENGGONG VALLEY
MALAYSIA

TERMS & CONDITIONS

1. OWNERSHIP:

Equator Odyssey Sdn. Bhd., Odyssea Globale Ltd. & Indian Ocean Tourism Organization retains ownership and intellectual proprietary (IP) rights for World Tourist Guide Challenge, its domain www.worldtgc.com, and arranged, curated and planned each World Tourist Guide Challenge as described in this terms and conditions statement.

worldtgc.com is strictly a global event, reinventing a fresh perspective on how tourist guides make fundamental changes as ambassadors and front liners of tourism, with the objective promoting the destination, site and, or venue; presenting individual expertise, information and skills developing a knowledge-based-economy creating innovative ecosystems sustaining tangible and intangible heritage for future generations, and not forgetting educating the masses.

FUTURE OF GUIDING, UNPRECEDENTED OUTDOOR LEARNING & IMPORTANCE OF WORLD HERITAGE SITES

As the principal organizer of World Tourist Guide Challenge, revealing Asia's best kept secret World Heritage Site, the event capitalizes on the abundance of physical and natural landscape making up the infrastructure of Lenggong Valley - showcasing a prehistoric treasure trove, unlocking secrets of paleolithic and neolithic civilizations, world's oldest rainforests in the world, in existence for more than 130 million years old (yes, its true!!), and Southeast Asia's oldest, most complete human skeleton (true again – traced back from early human migration out of Africa!!).

The deployment of educational experiences, environmental knowledge, survival skills, accompanied with the understanding of sustainable development goals, while simultaneously placing emphasis and importance resuscitating awareness on a vital eco-system comprising Islands, National Parks & Nature Reserves, Wetlands & Wildlife Sanctuaries, Ancient Cities, etc., facilitates extraordinary and unparalleled opportunity for tourist guides to compete presenting insights aimed at changing the conventional narrative for the future of guiding.

2. CRITERIA, ELIGIBILITY & PRESENTATION

- 2.1 World Tourist Guide Challenge is open to registered/licensed tourist guides representing the official tourist guide association/organization in their respective country of origin;
- 2.2 the World Tourist Guide Challenge will accommodate a maximum of sixteen (16) Tourist Guides from any part of the world, and open to both sexes (*male & female*);
- 2.3 Advocating for the Future of Tourist Guides, the World Tourist Guide Challenge encourages the deployment of avant-garde ideas, innovation and solutions, human-interaction for fascinating adaptation of storytelling and, or optimizing on the use of technology delivering unparalleled experience/s, etc.

3. COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1 If you would like to communicate with someone relating to World Tourist Guide Challenge, please email info@worldtgc.com or secretariat@worldtgc.com;
- 3.2 Conference Calls can be arranged for formal introductions & exchange of information pertinent to the World Tourist Guide Challenge;

4. VENUE & ACCOMMODATION

- 4.1 Lenggong is the official destination where the World Tourist Guide Challenge will be held from June 21 - 25, 2026;
- 4.2 Suka Suka Lake Retreat is the official accommodation venue for all Tourist Guides. The property remains an authentic traditional village overlooking the majestic Lake Raban, and an ideal venue familiarizing Tourist Guides with the surrounding natural climate at Lenggong;
- 4.1. Dang Lang Island is the Private Island where each and all Tourist Guides would stay for one (1) night and is only accessible by boat. The choice for Tourist Guides to kayak independently to Dang Lang Island remains the individual prerogative.

5. ALL INCLUSIVE PACKAGE - WORLD TOURIST GUIDE CHALLENGE

USD 850.00 per Tourist Guide competing at the World Tourist Guide Challenge inclusive of:

- Airport pick-up & return transfers (*Kuala Lumpur International Airport - Suka Suka Lake Retreat (Lenggong) - Kuala Lumpur International Airport*)
- days 4 nights' accommodation at Suka-Suka Lake Retreat (*authentic & traditional village retreat*)
- daily meals (*4 breakfasts, 3 lunches & 4 dinner's*)
- 1 night stay on a Private Island (*during stay*)
- briefing, orientation and tutorial-workshop with local officials from various Government agencies, departments & private organizations
- presence at all official World Tourist Guide Challenge Press Conferences
- interviews and engagement with local & international broadcasters, media & press
- photography sessions with various parties
- 1 T-shirt with World Tourist Guide Challenge logo
- personalized copy of the guiding content footage and recording
- insurance (*Medical & Personal Accident only*) coverage during stay
- First Aid (*subject to injuries - if any- sustained during the Challenge*) &
- all transfers within Lenggong.

6. CONFIRMING YOUR PARTICIPATION AT WORLD TOURIST GUIDE CHALLENGE

- 6.1 You must reserve your participation (spot) online as displayed at <http://www.worldtgc.com>
- 6.2 Your participation is **NOT** transferable to another party.
- 6.3 When confirming your participation, you must agree to fill-in all details and consent to the Confidential Medical Form, subsequently consent to the Terms & Conditions and represent a registered/licensed tourist guides association/organization in your country;
- 6.4 Proof of your participation (*registration online*) will only be acknowledged upon receipt of payment, and please email us at secretariat@worldtgc.com once you have successfully made payment securing your participation at World Tourist Guide Challenge;

7. DATELINE FOR SUBMISSION

Submission for participation at the World Tourist Guide Challenge is due before or on **Monday, Dec 1, 2025 at 12pm (GMT+8).**

8. PAYMENT

FULL PAYMENT IS REQUIRED BEFORE THE DUE DATE SECURING YOUR PARTICIPATION.
ALL PAYMENTS MUST BE MADE AND REMITTED TO THE FOLLOWING:-

Name of Co: EQUATOR ODYSSEY SDN. BHD.
Name of Bank: MALAYAN BANKING BERHAD (MAYBANK)
Account No.: 5581 7265 8873 (*Ringgit Malaysia (RM) currency*)
7581 7200 0196 (*USD currency*)
Address: Ipoh Garden Branch, 112, Jln Canning Estate, Ipoh Garden,
31400 Ipoh, Perak D. R., Malaysia
Swift Code: MBBEMYKLIPH

RECEIPT OF PAYMENT CONSTITUTES ACCEPTANCE OF THE TERMS & CONDITIONS.

9. REFUND POLICY & CANCELLATION INSURANCE:

- 9.1 USD 110.00 fee would be imposed for each cancellation of participant;
- 9.2 the remaining balance is refundable two (2) months prior to the start date of the World Tourist Guide Challenge;
- 9.3 cancellations made after this time are non-refundable;

10. SCHEDULE & ITINERARY

THE SCHEDULE FOR WORLD TOURIST GUIDE CHALLENGE WOULD BE IN ORDER OF **FIRST COME FIRST PARTICIPANT**.

A FULL & COMPLETE ITINERARY WOULD BE FACILITATED TO EACH AND ALL TOURIST GUIDES EARLY MARCH 2026.

MINOR CHANGES AND SLIGHT VARIATIONS MAY OCCUR IN THE ITINERARY DUE TO REQUESTS FROM LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND SUBJECT TO LOGISTICS ON THE GROUND, AS SUCH ALL INFORMATION WOULD BE SHARED UPON CONFIRMATION.

11. RULES

You, together with all other participating Tourist Guides from various parts of the world, are required to comply with the following rules:

- 11.1. we only accept responsible Tourist Guides that are considerate to fellow guides and respectful of local community, environment and wildlife.
- 11.2. there cannot be any disrupting noise/s after 22:00 hrs and before 07:00 hrs, unless it's an activity-oriented program as stated in Itinerary & Schedule of Daily Programs.
- 11.3. accommodation is located on the mainland and island and strictly for accommodation-purposes, and must be kept clean at all times with no litter or any damage/s. You will be liable for any damages and, or excess cleaning.
- 11.4. the island is body of land surrounded by water, and accompanied by surrounding islands, the environmental remains a fragile eco-system as a result of its size, shape and degree characteristics. However, these same characteristics also make islands vulnerable ecosystems as islands are generally known to have the highest proportion of recorded species extinctions, as such emphasis will be placed on conservation and preservation efforts.
- 11.5. the use of electrical devices on the island is not restricted, however due to limited power-supply via solar power on the island, the usage of your devices maybe constrained.

- 11.6. we cannot accept responsibility for any loss of your possessions, or any personal injury of any kind sustained before and after World Tourist Guide Challenge and will only be responsible from the period World Tourist Guide Challenge commences, subject to Point 15 - Liability Waiver; as all activities, programs and workshops conducted are in safe surroundings.
- 11.7. you are responsible for your individual wastage i.e. plastic, paper, rubbish, etc. You may be liable to a RM 120.00 or USD 30.00 surcharge if we end up having to dispose of such wastage items.
- 11.8. daily schedule of events would be discussed every morning, and punctuality for each and all activities, programs and workshops must be adhered to.

12. **ACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOUR POLICY**

- 12.1. to ensure a pleasant, safe and secure environment, you are expected to behave in an acceptable manner and use appropriate language.
- 12.2. we encourage kindness, sharing ideas, and positivity!
- 12.3. aggression or bullying is not tolerated. We also strictly enforce a **NO ALCOHOL & NO DRUGS POLICY**, and any such unethical behavior would **NOT BE TOLERATED**, and action would be taken reporting to the relevant Authorities, subsequently immediate expulsion from World Tourist Guide Challenge. It is important to remember there are no refunds if a participant is asked to leave the Camp due to unacceptable behavior.

13. **PHOTOGRAPHY RELEASE**

You authorize World Tourist Guide Challenge, Equator Odyssey Sdn. Bhd., Odyssea Globale Ltd. & Indian Ocean Tourism Organization, Corporate and Government Sponsors and Affiliates, to obtain, store, publish and/or use (without payment) any photographs, slides, sound and/or video recordings made during World Tourist Guide Challenge for public relations, marketing/advertising and, or internal training purposes.

14. **EMERGENCY TREATMENT AUTHORIZATION:**

- 14.1. you hereby authorize the diagnosis and treatment by a qualified and licensed medical professional, should a medical emergency occur, which the attending medical professional believes requires immediate attention to prevent further endangerment of your life, physical disfigurement or impairment, or undue pain, suffering or discomfort if delayed. Permission is granted to the attending physician to proceed with an examination, diagnosis and medical or minor surgical or other treatment;
- 14.2. this release is authorized for the duration of the World Tourist Guide Challenge. This release is authorized and executed of your own free will, with the sole purpose of authorizing medical treatment under emergency circumstances, for your care, medication and protection;

15. **LIABILITY WAIVER:**

You acknowledge and agree that there is the possibility of personal and, or physical injury participating in the World Tourist Guide Challenge and hereby release, discharge Equator Odyssey Sdn. Bhd., Odyssea Globale Ltd. & Indian Ocean Tourism Organization and its affiliated organizations, employees and associated personnel against any and all claims, liabilities and/or damages as a result of your injury/s sustained participating at the World Tourist Guide Challenge.

CONFIRMATION:

I have hereby read the Terms & Conditions of the World Tourist Guide Challenge and abide by its clauses.

SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT

NAME:

DATE: