

## **Technical information for booking an appointment using the online appointment system**

### **(1) Link**

Please access the service through the **German Embassy Muscat homepage** only in order to prevent problems with access.

Most importantly,

- please do not use bookmarks from earlier visits to the site
- please do not use the browser's automatic address-memory function, that is, the function where a previous URL appears when you type the first letters
- please do not use any links in internet services not provided by the Federal Foreign Office
- please open the online appointment system in one browser window or tab only
- please do not use the browser's back button.

### **(2) Browser**

The online appointment system is compatible with all standard browsers, but works best with Firefox or Internet Explorer. If you think there are problems with the browser you are using, please try again with Firefox or Internet Explorer as your browser or use another computer, e.g. one belonging to relatives, friends, a hotel or an internet café. However, other factors can also cause problems. Please see points 3 and 4 below.

### **(3) Other factors**

Virus scanners, firewalls, other security products, company guidelines and the internet connection all determine how fast you can access the service and whether you can access it at all. If you experience problems, please try to access the service using another internet connection.

### **(4) Smartphone/mobile devices/small-screen rendering**

The pages can be displayed on browsers on mobile devices. Depending on the device's resolution, however, you may find that you need to scroll in landscape (horizontal) mode or zoom in. You may also find the display too small to read. This makes the booking slower and less comfortable, but it is still possible.