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## **Information note for participants**

### **Climate change and development in Africa**

*Policies and actions for the effective implementation of the Paris Agreement  
for resilient economies in Africa*

**10-12 October 2018**

*Safari Park Hotel, Nairobi*

The seventh Climate Change and Development in Africa Conference will be held at the Safari Park Hotel in Nairobi from 10 to 12 October 2018. The hotel is located on Thika Road, opposite Kasarani stadium.



Please read the following information carefully, for it will help you to plan your travel to Nairobi.

### **Immigration requirements**

All participants arriving from countries that do not have a Kenyan embassy or high commission will receive a visa on arrival at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, where they will be required to produce and present their conference invitation letter to the immigration authorities.

In order to assist participants in obtaining visas upon arrival, the African Climate Policy Centre needs to receive your online registration and a copy of the photo page of your passport at least five working days before your arrival at the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport.

Please note that a Kenyan visa costs \$50 or the equivalent in euros per person. Payment must be made in either United States dollars or in euros at the time of issue. For media personnel, the cost of a visa is also \$50 or the equivalent in euros. Holders of diplomatic and service passports and the United Nations laissez-passer will receive visas gratis. Bank receipts for money changed at the airport must be kept securely, given that customs officials may ask you to present them on your departure.

### **Health requirements**

Visitors to Kenya should be in possession of a valid health certificate for yellow fever. Vaccination against cholera is also required for anyone who has visited or transited through a cholera-infected area in the six days prior to arrival in Kenya.

### **Guidelines on the personal security and safety of participants**

The Safari Park Hotel security team is always ready to serve its clients. In this regard, the service requires the full cooperation of all participants to ensure the safety of your valuables and your personal security.

While you are on hotel premises, please ensure that you do the following:

- Wear your event badge visibly and show it to any authorized person who asks to see it

- Do not leave bags and parcels unattended, given that they may be confiscated or destroyed
- Do not bring unauthorized persons and children into the conference centre
- Look after your valuables
- Check that you have all your documents and personal items before you leave conference halls and meeting rooms
- Inform the security team or the nearest security officer if you lose anything valuable

When you are in your hotel, please follow the safety advice below:

- Upon entering or leaving your room, make it a habit to lock the door
- Before leaving, inspect your room to make sure that no money, jewellery, cameras or other valuables are visible
- Deposit valuables or portable items at the reception desk and obtain a receipt
- Should you observe anything suspicious or out of the ordinary, please contact the security and safety service

Any travel outside Nairobi requires separate security clearance to be approved by the receiving area security coordinator. Please consult with your organization on the process of acquiring security clearance for in-country travel. Always consult with local counterparts on the ground before embarking on field missions.

### **Useful telephone numbers**

#### *Emergency numbers*

The Safari Park Hotel customer care desk, operational 24 hours: +254 725 224 450

#### *For emergencies outside Nairobi*

Police emergency numbers (24 hours)-991

Nairobi area traffic police-0202721683

Kenya police service HQ-020341411

Central police-020225685

### **Airline reservations**

A number of international airlines operate to and from Nairobi. Participants must secure their return/onward air passage prior to their arrival in Nairobi.

Please have your ticket with you when visiting the travel agencies and the airlines to confirm your flights.

### **Hotel accommodation**

Sponsored and self-sponsored participants must contact the hotels directly to arrange, confirm and guarantee their bookings. Bookings should be done at the hotels provided in annex III, which are all close to the venue of the conference. If you book a hotel that is not on the list, the organizers will not provide transportation to and from the venue.

We kindly request that all self-sponsored participants note that the organizers will not be in a position to provide hotel accommodation to those who fail to arrange their hotel accommodation directly with the listed hotels.

In addition to accommodation costs, all participants will be responsible for all other additional costs, such as breakfast (where not included), telephone, Internet/fax, room service, mini bar, laundry and other meals (e.g., lunch and dinner), and must pay for these directly when checking out.

### **Airport and Hotel Transportation**

The organizers will provide transportation to and from the airport to the listed hotels. If you are self-sponsored and require to be picked at the airport, kindly submit your itinerary via this link – [www.uneca.org/ccda7/hotel-and-itinerary-information](http://www.uneca.org/ccda7/hotel-and-itinerary-information). Alternatively, participants can contact their hotel to arrange for pick-up upon arrival at the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport.

Shuttle buses will be available to ferry participants back and forth from hotels to the venue, in the mornings and at the end of the daily sessions. Transport will not be provided during lunch breaks, all of which will take place within the Safari Park Hotel.

### **Temporary importation of laptops and other conference equipment**

To comply with the import customs regulations of the Government of Kenya, participants should declare laptops and any conference equipment that they may be bringing with them into the country. The customs office will register the items for temporary import, and they will be taken out of the country at the end of the event.

### **Registration and identification badges**

Participants are required to register and obtain identification badges prior to the start of the session.

For security reasons, all participants are required to wear identification badges at all times during the conference during official social functions.

Registration will be at the venue and will begin on 8 October 2018 at 8.30 a.m. and continue until 10 October at 9.00 a.m.

### **Restaurants in Nairobi**

A list of selected restaurants in Nairobi is provided in annex II.

### **Mobile phones**

Mobile telecommunication providers sell SIM cards with precharged airtime. The cost varies from \$1 to \$5 to purchase a SIM card. A copy of the passport and completed customer application form are needed.

### **General information about Kenya**

Kenya lies on the equator and overlies the East African Rift Valley, covering a diverse and expansive terrain that extends roughly from Lake Victoria to Lake Turkana (formerly called Lake Rudolf) and further south-east to the Indian Ocean. Kenya covers 581,309 km<sup>2</sup> and had a population of approximately 48 million people in January 2017.

Kenya is known for its world-class athletes in track and field and rugby. Thanks to its diverse climate and geography, expansive wildlife reserves and national parks such as the Nairobi National Park, East and West Tsavo National Park, Amboseli National Park, Maasai Mara, Lake Nakuru National Park, Aberdares National Park and white sand beaches on the coast, Kenya is home to the modern safari and has several world heritage sites such as Lamu and a number of beaches, including Diani, Bamburi and Kilifi, where international yachting competitions are held annually.

Kenya obtained independence in December 1963 but remained a member of the Commonwealth. Following a referendum in August 2010 and the adoption of a new constitution, Kenya is now divided into 47 semi-autonomous counties, headed by elected governors.

The economy of Kenya is the largest in eastern and central Africa in terms of gross domestic product. The capital, Nairobi, is also a regional commercial hub.

Agriculture is a major employer. The country traditionally exports tea and coffee, which are grown as major cash crops and are major sources of foreign revenue. The country has recently begun to export fresh flowers to Europe. The service industry is also a major economic driver. Some international trade organizations categorize Kenya as part of the greater Horn of Africa. Africa is Kenya's largest export market, followed by the European Union. In addition, Kenya is a member of the East African Community.

## **Climate**

Kenya has a warm and humid tropical climate on its Indian Ocean coastline. The climate is cooler in the savannah grasslands around Nairobi, especially those areas closer to Mount Kenya, which has snow permanently on its peaks. Further inland are highlands in the central and Rift Valley regions where tea and coffee are grown. In the west are the Nyanza and Western regions, where there is an equatorial, hot and dry climate that becomes humid around Lake Victoria, the largest tropical freshwater lake in the world. This gives way to temperate and forested hilly areas in the neighbouring western region. The north-eastern regions along the border with Somalia and Ethiopia are arid and semi-arid areas with near-desert landscapes.

## **Electricity**

The electrical supply in Kenya is 220-240 volts, 50 cycles AC accessible through 13-amp, three-pin (United Kingdom) sockets shown below.



## **Currency**

The Kenyan currency is denominated in the shillings. The exchange rate fluctuates. The exchange rate was approximately \$=KES 100 as of September 2018.

For the nearest bank or forex bureau, please check with the front desk at your hotel.

## **For further information about the meeting, please contact:**

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## **Annex I: Things to do around Nairobi**

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### **Nairobi National Park**

Welcome to Kenya's most accessible safari experience. Set on the city's southern outskirts, Nairobi National Park (at 117 km<sup>2</sup>, one of Africa's smallest) has abundant wildlife that can, in places, be viewed against a backdrop of city skyscrapers and planes coming in to land. It is the only national park on earth bordering a capital city. Remarkably, the animals are hardly bothered by.

### **National Museum**

Kenya's National Museum, which is housed in an impressive building amid thriving grounds just outside the centre, has a good range of cultural and natural history exhibits. Aside from the exhibits, you may enjoy seeing out the live-size fibre-glass model of a pachyderm celebrity, Ahmed, the massive elephant that became a symbol of Kenya at the height of the 1980s poaching crisis. He was placed under 24-hour guard by former President Jomo Kenyatta. He is in the inner courtyard next to the shop.

### **Giraffe centre**

This centre, which protects the endangered Rothschild's giraffe, combines conservation with fun activities. You can observe, feed or even kiss one of the giraffes from a raised wooden structure, which is quite an experience. You may also spot warthogs snuffling about in the mud, and there is an interesting self-guided forest walk through the adjacent Gogo River Bird Sanctuary.

### **Nairobi safari walk**

Just outside the main entrance to Nairobi National Park, off Langata Road, this safari walk is a sort of zoo-meets-nature-boardwalk, with lots of birds and other wildlife, including a pygmy hippo, a bongo, an albino zebra and a white rhino, as well as primates and big cats. Children, in particular, love the chance to get closer to the animals than they are likely to be able to do in a more conventional national park.

### **Karen Blixen's house and museum**

If you loved the book *Out of Africa*, you will love this museum in the farmhouse where author Karen Blixen lived between 1914 and 1931. She left after a series of personal tragedies, but the lovely colonial house has been preserved as a museum. Set in expansive gardens, the museum is an interesting place to wander around, but the movie was actually shot at a nearby location, so do not be surprised if things do not look entirely as you expect.

### **City market**

One of the city's main souvenir business centres is concentrated in this covered market, which has dozens of stalls selling woodcarvings, drums, spears, shields, soapstone, Maasai jewellery and clothing. It is a hectic place and you will have to bargain hard, but there is plenty of good stuff on offer.

## **Annex II: Restaurants**

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### **Carnivore**

Carnivore serves up Kenya's most famous nyama choma (barbecued meat). It has been an icon for tourists, expats and wealthier locals for more than 25 years. At the entrance is a huge barbecue pit laden with real swords of beef, pork, lamb, chicken and farmed game meats such as crocodile and ostrich. It will provide a memorable night out.

### **45 Degrees Kitchen**

Located about about 10km at Marurui Road, Garden Estate from the venue. More information at [www.45degrees.kitchen](http://www.45degrees.kitchen).

### **La Dolce Vita Restaurant**

An Italian restaurant Located about 15km from the venue at Muthaiga Shopping centre. More at [www.dolcevitakenya.net](http://www.dolcevitakenya.net).

### **Ocean Basket**

Located in Westlands area about 20km from the venue, at The Oval building.

### **Garden City Mall**

Located about 3Km from the venue, the Garden City mall houses many restaurants including Moca Loca Coffee & Lounge, Java House and Mambo Italia. More [www.gardencitymall.co.ke](http://www.gardencitymall.co.ke).

### **Village Market**

Located about 15Km from the venue, the Village Market Mall houses several restaurants including RocoMamas, a food court and Orchid restaurant. More [www.villagemarket-kenya.com](http://www.villagemarket-kenya.com).



### Annex III

#### Hotels

No.	Hotel	Tel	Email / Website	Type of Room	Rates (USD) Non-residents	Distance to Venue (driving time)
1.	Safari Park and Casino	+254 725 226250	www.safaripark-hotel.com	Single room	\$175	0km
2.	Hotel La Mada	+254 722 208906	lamada@madahotels.com / sales@madahotels.com <a href="http://www.madahotels.com">http://www.madahotels.com</a>	Single room	\$ 200	7Km
3.	Sportsview Hotel-Kasarani	0722-881101,0733-881100	info@sportsviewhotel.com <a href="http://www.sportsviewhotel.com">http://www.sportsviewhotel.com</a>	Single room	\$ 85	4Km
4.	Windsor Golf Hotel & Country Club	+254 20 864 7000	sales@windsor.co.ke <a href="mailto:reservations@windsor.co.ke">reservations@windsor.co.ke</a> <a href="http://www.windsorgolfresort.com">http://www.windsorgolfresort.com</a>	Deluxe Room (Double Bed)	\$ 215	7Km (20min)
5.	Tribe Hotel	+254 20 720 0000 / 0732 186 000	stay@tribehotel-kenya.com info@tribal-hotel.com <a href="https://www.tribe-hotel.com">https://www.tribe-hotel.com</a>	Deluxe Room	\$ 290	15Km (40min)
6.	Oak place Hotel	+254 727 959026 or +254 733 136363	reservations@oakplace.co.ke <a href="http://www.oakplace.co.ke">http://www.oakplace.co.ke</a>	single Room	\$120	6Km (20 mins)
7.	Sunstar Hotel Nairobi	+254 (0) 738 314 165	sales@sunstarhotelnairobi.com <a href="http://www.sunstarhotelnairobi.com">www.sunstarhotelnairobi.com</a>	single Room	\$65	3Km (10min)
8.	Luke Hotel, Garden Estate	+254 700 878787		Single	\$32	3Km (10min)
9.	Lymack Suites	+254732580800	info@lymacksuites.com <a href="https://www.lymacksuites.com">https://www.lymacksuites.com</a>	Single room	\$100	15km (20min)

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No.	Hotel	Tel	Email / Website	Type of Room	Rates (USD) Non-residents	Distance to Venue (driving time)
10.	Concord Hotel & Suites	+254709466000	reservations@theconcordhotels.com <a href="http://www.theconcordhotels.com">http://www.theconcordhotels.com</a>	Single	\$110	15km (30min)
11.	Cloud Hotel & Suites, Parklands	+254 715 404994		Single	\$63	15km (30min)