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## **Information note for participants**

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

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

**10-12 October 2018**

*Safari Park Hotel, Nairobi, Kenya*



The 7th Climate Change and Development in Africa Conference will take place on the 10–12 October 2018 in Nairobi, Kenya. The event will be held at the Intercontinental Hotel, located on Thika Rd, opposite Kasarani stadium, Nairobi, Kenya.



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

### **Immigration requirements**

All participants who do not have a Kenyan Embassy or Kenya High Commissions 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. Thus, kindly ensure you print and bring with you this letter.

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 **US\$ 50** or the equivalent in euros per person. Payment must be made in either US dollars or in euros at the time of issue. For media personnel, the cost of a visa is **US\$ 50** or the equivalent in euros. Holders of diplomatic and service passports and United Nations Laissez-Passer will receive visas gratis. Bank receipts for money changed at the airport must be kept securely as 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 a cholera-infected area in the six days prior to their arrival in Kenya.

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

The Safari Park 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 The Safari Park premises, please ensure that you:

- Wear your Event badge visibly and show it to any authorized person who asks to see it.
- Do not leave bags and parcels unattended, as they may be confiscated or destroyed.
- Do not bring unauthorized persons and children into the Conference Centre.
- Look after your valuable property.
- 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 field missions.

## **Useful telephone numbers**

### **Emergency numbers**

The Safari Park Customer Care Desk- operational 24 hours: +254 725 224 450

### **For emergencies outside of 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.

Kenya Airways, other airlines booking offices.

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

### **Hotel accommodation**

Sponsored and non-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 in the list, the organizers will not provide transportation to and from the venue.

We kindly request all non-sponsored participants to note that the organizers will not be in 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, other meals (lunch and dinner) – and must pay for these directly when checking out.

### **Arrival at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport**

Participants should contact their hotel to arrange for pick-up upon arrival at the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport.

### **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 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 will be 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 as well as during official social functions.

Registration will be at the venue, and will start on Monday, 8 October 2018 at 8:30am and go on until 10 October 2018 at 9:00am.

### **Transport**

Shuttle buses will be available to ferry participants back and forth from hotels far from 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.

### **Restaurants in Nairobi**

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

### **Mobile phones**

Participants are encouraged to bring with them a dual band mobile handset (900/1800 MHZ). Mobile telecommunication providers sell SIM cards with pre-charged airtime. The cost varies from \$1 to \$5 To purchase a SIM card, a passport copy and completed customer application form are needed.

### **General information about Kenya**

Kenya, officially the Republic of Kenya, lies on the equator and overlies the East African Rift, 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> (224,445 sq mi), 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 at the Coastal region, Kenya is home to the modern safari and has several world heritage sites such as Lamu and a number of beaches, including in Diani, Bamburi and Kilifi, where international yachting competitions are held every year.

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

The economy of Kenya is the largest by GDP in eastern and central Africa. The capital, Nairobi, is also a regional commercial hub.

Agriculture is a major employer; the country traditionally exports tea and coffee and has more 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. Additionally, Kenya is a member of the East African Community trading organization.

## Climate

Kenya has a warm and humid tropical climate on its Indian Ocean coastline. The climate is cooler in the savannah grasslands around the capital city, Nairobi; especially those closer to Mount Kenya, which has snow permanently on its peaks. Further inland are highlands in Central and Rift Valley regions where tea and coffee are grown as cash crops which are major foreign revenue earners. In the West are Nyanza and Western regions, there is an equatorial, hot and dry climate which becomes humid around Lake Victoria, the largest tropical fresh-water 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

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



## Currency (Kenyan Shilling)

Kenyan currency is denominated in Kenyan Shilling. The exchange rate fluctuates. The exchange rate was approximately **US\$ 1.00 = KES 100** as of September 2018.

Nearest banks or forex bureau Front desk

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

### **Nairobi National Park**

Welcome to Kenya's most accessible safari experience. Set on the city's southern outskirts, Nairobi National Park (at 117 sq. km, 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's one of the only national parks on earth bordering a capital city. Remarkably, the animals are hardly bothered by it all.

### **National Museum**

Kenya's National Museum 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, check out the life-size fibre-glass model of 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 President Jomo Kenyatta; he's 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's 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 Rd, this safari walk is a sort of zoo-meets-nature-boardwalk, with lots of birds as well as 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're likely to be able to do in a national park.

### **Karen Blixen's House & Museum**

If you loved *Out of Africa*, you'll 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 don't be surprised if things don't look entirely as you expect!

### **City Market**

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

### **Annex II: Restaurants**

#### **Carnivore**

Carnivore serves up Kenya's most famous nyama choma (barbecued meat) – it's been an icon for tourists, expats and wealthier locals for over 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's a memorable night out.

**Customer Care at Carnivore**

**0733611608**

### Annex III: Hotels

No.	Hotel	Tel	Email	Website	Type of Room	Rates (USD) Non-residents	Rates (Ksh) Residents	Total No. of Rooms	Distance to Venue
1.	Hotel La Mada	+254 722 208906	<a href="mailto:lamada@madahotels.com">lamada@madahotels.com</a> <a href="mailto:sales@madahotels.com">/ sales@madahotels.com</a>	<a href="http://www.madahotels.com">http://www.madahotels.com</a>	Single room	\$ 200	KES. 16000	25	7KM
2.	Sportsview Hotel-Kasarani	0722-881101,0733-881100	<a href="mailto:info@sportsviewhotel.com">info@sportsviewhotel.com</a>	<a href="http://www.sportsviewhotel.com">http://www.sportsviewhotel.com</a>	Single room	\$ 850	KES 5,500	13	4 KM
3.	Windsor Golf Hotel & Country Club	+254 20 864 7000	<a href="mailto:sales@windsor.co.ke">sales@windsor.co.ke</a> / <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	KES 21,500	13	9 KM
4.	Tribe Hotel	+254 20 720 0000 / 0732 186 000	<a href="mailto:stay@tribehotel-kenya.com">stay@tribehotel-kenya.com</a> / <a href="mailto:info@tribal-hotel.com">info@tribal-hotel.com</a>	<a href="https://www.tribehotel.com/">https://www.tribehotel.com/</a>	Deluxe Room	\$ 290	KES 29000	19	10KM
5.	Muthaiga Golf Club	+254 (0)20 2368440/1 /	<a href="mailto:admin@muthaigagolfclub">admin@muthaigagolfclub</a>	<a href="http://www.windsorgolfresort.com/">http://www.windsorgolfresort.com/</a>	No accommodation	N/A		N/A	6KM

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No.	Hotel	Tel	Email	Website	Type of Room	Rates (USD) Non-residents	Rates (Ksh) Residents	Total No. of Rooms	Distance to Venue
		+254 722 168 720							
6.	Oak place Hotel	+254 727 959026 or +254 733 136363	reservations@oakplace.co.ke	http://www.oakplace.co.ke /	single Room	\$120	KES 12000	14	5KM
7.	Sunstar Hotel Nairobi	+254 (0) 738 314 165	<a href="mailto:sales@sunstarhotelnairobi.com">sales@sunstarhotelnairobi.com</a>	www.sunstarhotelnairobi.com	single Room	\$65	KES 4500	30	4KM