

# INFORMATION SHEET

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## MEETING VENUE

The 2020 edition of the Africa Climate Week (ACW) will be held from **20 to 24 April** at the:

Speke Resort and Conference Centre  
Wavamunno Road,  
P. O. Box 446, Kampala  
Uganda.  
Tel. +256 (0) 414 227 111  
+256 (0) 417 716 000



## REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS

To register for the ACW 2020, please use the online facility on the official ACW website at: [www.regionalclimateweeks.org](http://www.regionalclimateweeks.org) . A confirmation notification will be issued via e-mail to participants upon approval of the online registration. Accreditation/issuance of badges will start on **Monday, 20 April 2020 from 07:30** at the venue.

## TRAVEL

Participants are responsible for their own travel bookings to Uganda. Uganda is served by the Entebbe International Airport (EBB), located 25 miles (40.5 km) by road south-west of the central business district of Kampala, EBB is the sole international airport in Uganda. The conference centre is approximately 30 minutes drive away from the airport via the Entebbe-Kampala Expressway. No public transport is available for this route. Taxis are available outside the arrival hall on the ground floor: Airport taxis are commonly marked with a yellow band and a number e.g. "Airport Taxi 56". For assistance, please visit the customer care/information desk outside the arrival hall.

## VISA REQUIREMENTS

All visitors travelling to the Republic of Uganda are responsible for checking visa requirements prior to their travel. A list of visa exempt nationalities can be found on the website of the Directorate of Citizenship and Immigration here: <https://www.immigration.go.ug/content/visas-and-passes>

For travellers requiring visa on arrival, the visa requirements are;

1. Yellow Fever vaccination Certificate
2. Travel itinerary
3. UN pass, generated with online registration
4. A USD 50 visa fee
5. Valid Passport (should not be less than 6 months valid after the visit in Uganda)

All applications and payments are made online [www.visas.immigration.go.ug](http://www.visas.immigration.go.ug). Payments online carry a 3% surcharge.

## TRANSPORTATION

### Taxi:

Uganda has an extensive taxi network and numerous taxi ranks, but most taxis lack a meter system, so price negotiation is required between the passenger and driver. Metered taxis do operate in the city, but tend to be more expensive. Uber and Taxis are readily available at the airport, the conference venue, and in most parts of Kampala.

### Buses:

The **main vehicles** for public transport in Uganda are mini buses, which are locally referred to as "**taxis**". In contrast to the ordinary taxis these are licenced to carry upto 14 people and are low priced. Nationwide they are distinguished by their **blue chequered markings**.

These taxis have **fixed driving routes**, mainly through the cities and from their centres to the suburbs.

## ACCOMMODATION

Participants will be responsible for making their own hotel bookings through contacting directly the hotel of choice.

Participants are also responsible for the payment of their reservations and/or for the settlement of eventual cancellation/no show fee, as applicable, according to the hotels policies.

A list of hotels\* (with indicative rates) in the vicinity of the venue is included below (in no particular order):

Hotels on B/B	Contact	Distance from/to the venue	Indicative price in USD
<p>Munyonyo Commonwealth Resort</p> <p>Wavamunno Road, Kampala  <a href="http://munyonyocommonwealth.com/">http://munyonyocommonwealth.com/</a></p>	<p>+256 (0) 414 227 111  +256 (0) 417 716 000</p>	<p>0.2 Km</p>	<p>143</p>
<p>Speke Resort and Conference Centre Munyonyo</p> <p>Wavamunno Rd, Kampala  <a href="https://www.spekeresort.com/">https://www.spekeresort.com/</a></p>	<p>+256 (0) 414 227 111  +256 (0) 417 716 000</p>	<p>Conference venue</p>	<p>132</p>
<p>Sir Jose Hotel</p> <p>Gaba Road  <a href="http://sirjosehotel.com/">http://sirjosehotel.com/</a></p> <p>(Airport pickup  Free Shuttle to and from conference venue)</p>	<p>+256 414 667008  +256 705 222230  +256 789 222230</p>	<p>3.0 km</p>	<p>35- 100</p>
<p>Cassia Lodge</p> <p>Plot 15, Buziga Hill, Munyonyo  <a href="http://cassialodge.com/">http://cassialodge.com/</a></p>	<p>+256-755-777-002</p>	<p>3.2 km</p>	<p>123</p>
<p>Yellow Haven Lodge</p> <p>Kelly Close Plot 203 Kawuku Bunga, 33858 Kampala, Uganda  <a href="http://www.yellowhaven.com">http://www.yellowhaven.com</a></p>	<p><a href="tel:+256777609947">+256 777 609947</a></p>	<p>5.6 km</p>	<p>55-135</p>
<p>Lake Victoria Serena Golf Resort&amp;Spa</p> <p>Kigo Rd  <a href="https://www.serenahotels.com/serenalakevictoria">https://www.serenahotels.com/serenalakevictoria</a></p>	<p><a href="tel:+256313221000">+256 31 3221000</a></p>	<p>7.4 km</p>	<p>271</p>

<p>Marie's Royale Hotel</p> <p>Bunga Close Soya, Gabba Road (Shuttle to and from Munyonyo available at a fee) <a href="https://www.mariesroyalehotelkampala.com/">https://www.mariesroyalehotelkampala.com/</a></p>	<p>+256 392 176182</p>	<p>5.1</p>	<p>40-63</p>
<p>Green Valley Hotel</p> <p>Gaba road</p>	<p>+256 414 266464 +256 312 281 257</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>35-45</p>
<p>Victoria Travel Hotel</p> <p>Gaba road</p>	<p>+256 414 501084 +256 712 576028</p>	<p>2.9</p>	<p>28-50</p>

*\*Reservations may be subject to rooms availability. Prices may also vary depending on the type of reservation.*

## HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

With respect to health requirements and precautions to be taken by participants travelling to Uganda, all participants are recommended to consult and seek medical advice from their physicians/doctors and take medical precautions as advised.

The following vaccines are recommended when travelling to Uganda: Diphtheria, Hepatitis A, Tetanus. Other vaccines to consider: Hepatitis B; Meningococcal Meningitis, Rabies, Typhoid. Selectively advised vaccines - only for those individuals at highest risk: Cholera. **A Yellow Fever vaccination certificate is required for all travelers.** Participants are required to contact either the Uganda diplomatic mission in their countries or to consult a doctor before departing to ensure having gotten the proper vaccinations and immunizations.

You are additionally strongly advised to obtain an international travel and medical insurance to cover the cost of any medical treatment and repatriation during the period of your travel.

Drink or use only boiled or bottled water and well-cooked food.

## GENERAL INFORMATION DURING YOUR STAY

### Currency & accepted forms of payment

The Ugandan Shilling is the most commonly used currency in Kampala.

However, foreign currencies are accepted in certain places. The Dollar (US & Canadian), the Euro, and the Pound are also acceptable in certain places. Automated Teller Machines (ATMs) are common in large towns and will accept most cards. Credit cards are accepted at many hotels, guesthouses and some shops, but MasterCard is not widely accepted. Travelers' cheques can be exchanged in large hotels, banks and Forex Bureaus.

## Language

Uganda is a multilingual country in which about forty languages are spoken. Of these, English is the official language and lingua franca.

## Weather

Uganda is sunny most of the year with temperatures rarely rising above 29 degrees (84 degrees Fahrenheit). The average annual temperature is about 26 degrees Celsius (78° Fahrenheit). The rainy season is from March till May and October till November. The city has a slightly milder climate due to its location near Lake Victoria.

## Communication

SIM Cards being used in Uganda for voice and data network services are: **MTN**, **Airtel Uganda**, **UT Mobile** (by Uganda Telecom), **Africell** (formerly: Orange Uganda), **Smart Telecom** and **Smile** (on 4G only). These can be bought at the airport, as needed.

Telephone Country Code: +256

## Electrical appliances

In Uganda, the power plugs and sockets are of type D and BS 546. The standard voltage is 240 V and the standard frequency is 50 Hz.



## Time Zone

Uganda is GMT/UTC + 3 h Standard Time

## INTERESTING PLACES TO VISIT IN UGANDA

Uganda's capital city, Kampala, borders Lake Victoria, Africa's largest lake. Kampala offers a multitude of historical and cultural attractions for visitors to explore;

- Uganda Parliament
- Kasubi Tombs
- Gaddafi Mosque
- National Theatre
- Ndere Centre
- Uganda Museum
- Namirembe and Rubaga Cathedral
- Baha'i Temple
- Craft markets
- Uganda Martyrs Shrine
- Local restaurants
- Munyonyo Beach

## CONTACTS IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

- Police Hotline - 999
- Ambulance - 112/999
- Fire Service - 112/999

We look forward to welcoming you in the Republic of Uganda!

