

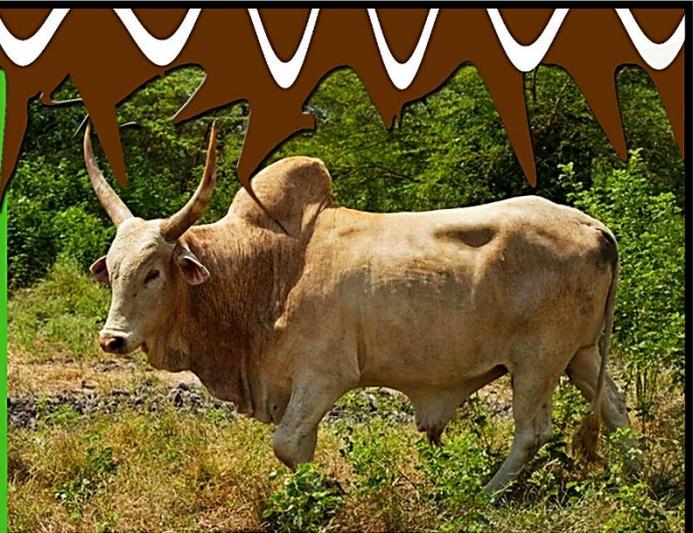
8TH

AFRICA

ANIMAL

WELFARE
CONFERENCE

ACTION 2024



Theme:

*Partnership Actions to Improve
Animal Welfare and Environmental
Sustainability*

United Nations Complex

Nairobi, Kenya

September 30 - October 2, 2024

CONFERENCE LOGISTICS NOTE



KARIBUNI KENYA!

Welcome to the land that hosts an array of more than 50 national parks and game reserves and meet the multitudes of people who speak more than 62 languages and its dialects. Kenya is the home of the Nobel Peace Prize winner, Prof. Wangari Maathai, the world's finest long-distance runners, and Africa's second highest mountain, Mt. Kenya.

The vast fields in the mountains nurture the country's main export, coffee, as well as tea and other crops while the breathtaking wilderness of the world's premier safari destination is a sight to behold. As the sun rises at dawn and spreads its warmth slowly across the savannah, so does animal welfare in the landscape of wildlife protection, environmental conservation and sustainable development. Animal welfare shine bright, gleaming on the landscapes of the beautiful continent.

The first and largest animal welfare conference in Africa, the Africa Animal Welfare Conference (AAWC) has descended on us once again in 2024 providing a lens to look at partnership actions aimed at improving animal welfare for environmental sustainability which is the theme of the event.



ABOUT AFRICA ANIMAL WELFARE CONFERENCE (AAWC)

The conference will be a hybrid event comprising both in-person attendance and live-streamed for virtual participants.

The AAW Conference is a collaborative effort organized by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the African Union InterAfrican Union for Animal Resources (AU-IBAR), and the Africa Network for Animal Welfare (ANAW). Supported by a dedicated Conference Organizing Committee, the event will be held in partnership with the Government of Kenya.

The annual global conference gathers representatives from animal welfare, wildlife, and environmental conservation organizations, NGOs, government officials and affiliated institutions, academics, researchers, media, policymakers, legal practitioners, community members, interest groups, and development practitioners. They come together to discuss, explain, and discern current issues affecting the

sector. The conference adheres to the WOAHA Animal Welfare Standards, the Five Freedoms of Animal Welfare, and the Animal Welfare Strategy for Africa as guidelines for policy discussions, legislative recommendations, and decision-making at workshops and conferences.

The 8th Africa Animal Welfare Conference has firmly established itself as the premier continental forum for annual discussions on animal welfare, environmental and wildlife conservation, human health, and sustainable development. It has become an essential event for practitioners and stakeholders in these sectors to engage, build capacity, and address current and emerging global issues that require Africa's attention.

REGISTRATION



The conference is scheduled to take place at the United Nations (UN) Complex in Nairobi, Kenya, from September 30 to October 2, 2024. Delegates will have the option to attend in person at the UN Complex or participate virtually online.

We invite those interested to register:

- Registering to participate in this conference in-person at the UN Complex, Nairobi-Kenya:
<https://www.aawconference.org/index.php/register>
- Registering to participate in this conference virtually through Zoom:
<https://www.aawconference.org/index.php/register>

Registration is currently ongoing.

Once your registration application is submitted, you will receive a confirmation email from the AAWC Secretariat. All participants will receive a certificate of participation after the end of the conference.

For urgent inquiries, please call us on +254 – (0) 798 452 625 or write to info@aawconference.org.

ACCOMMODATION



For delegates attending the conference in person in Nairobi, Kenya, the organizers have arranged suitable conference packages with four hotels for participants:

Comfort Gardens Hotel, Nairobi



Situated 1.1 KM from the conference venue (United Nations (UN) Complex- 3 minutes' drive.

Single Room => USD 205 per day => USD 820 for 4 nights

The above Accommodation packages/rates include:

- Half Board- Bed, Breakfast and Dinner
- Airport Transfer in a shared 8-seater
- Morning Shuttle to the conference venue

Elysian Resort- Kiambu Road, Nairobi



Situated 4.9 KM from the conference venue (United Nations (UN) Complex- 15 minutes' drive

Single Room => USD 141 per day => USD 564 for 4 nights

The above Accommodation packages/rates include:

- Half Board - Bed, Breakfast and Dinner
- Airport Transfer in a shared 14-seater
- Shuttle to the UN in a shared transport

Concord Hotel, Nairobi

Situated 6.4KM from the conference venue (United Nations (UN) Complex - 13 minutes' drive.

Standard Single Room => USD 189 per day => USD 756 for 4 nights

The above Accommodation packages/rates include:

- Half board - Bed, Breakfast and Dinner
- Airport transfer



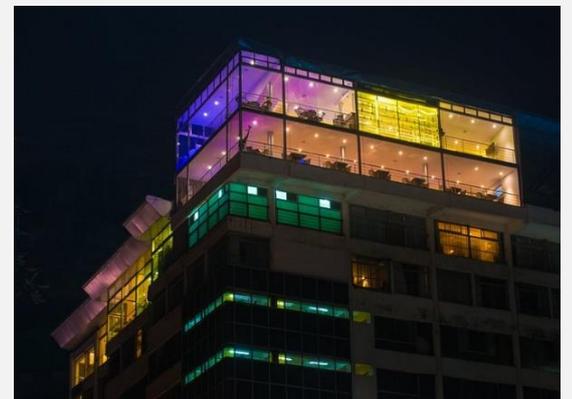
Cloud Hotel, Nairobi

Situated 5.8KM from the conference venue (United Nations (UN) Complex - 15 minutes' drive

Standard Single Room => USD 124 per day => USD 496 for 4 nights

The above Accommodation packages/rates include:

- Half board - Bed, Breakfast and Dinner
- Airport transfer



TRANSPORT

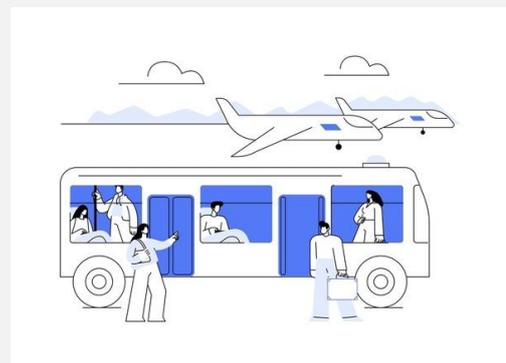
• AIRPORT TRANSFER

A logistics team is in place to cater to and ensure your safe arrival. The AAWC Staff or Hotel Representative will be present at the airport with a pickup sign labelled '8th Africa Animal Welfare Conference' to ensure transfer.

Taxis will also be available at the airport parking facilities for personal pick-ups to the hotel at your own fee.

Delegates will be transferred in 3-seater cars.

They should ensure that their flight itineraries are shared. In good time.



• Alternative to Taxis

One should have access to the internet to use these services.

Uber

Uber cars can be found anywhere within Nairobi and its outskirts. The Uber app gives you the ease to request a ride to get around Nairobi anytime, 24/7.

You will find your destination in the app when you request a ride, you can enter your request on any day and at any time of the week. It can be done in real-time or request a ride in advance. You can travel in a group or alone and you can use the app to find a ride option for your needs.

You can follow the following process:

- Download the Uber App
- Open the Uber app and enter your destination to begin exploring Nairobi
- Request a ride. This often takes a few minutes to arrive
- Once you confirm that your pickup and destination addresses are correct, select the options you need
- After you've been matched with a driver, you'll see their vehicle details and can track their arrival on the map
- Check that the vehicle details match what you see in the app before getting in the vehicle
- Your driver has your destination and directions for the fastest way to get there, but you can always request a specific route
- You'll be automatically charged through your payment method on file, so you can exit the vehicle as soon as you arrive
- Remember to rate your driver to help keep Uber safe and enjoyable for everyone. You can also consider tipping your driver.

All Uber payments are at the persons cost. The conference and its officials are not obligated to cover any payments.

Other alternative services available in Nairobi and can be similarly used include:

- Bolt formerly Taxify
- Little Cab
- Faras
- Indriver

PLASTIC BAGS



Please refrain from bringing plastic bags to Kenya. Plastic bags are not allowed in Kenya as part of policy. The plastic bags ban came into effect on August 28, 2017. Kenya has since attained over 80% success in ban enforcement.

Large amounts plastics have continued to leak and accumulate in the terrestrial or aquatic environments as they are mostly non-biodegradable but breakdown into small fragments known as micro-plastics.

PROGRAMME

A programme will be shared with delegates on the first day of the conference at the registration desk. A scan code will be provided at the back of the name tag for easy digital access. The programme is aligned to the conference theme and sub-themes. For online participants, the conference program will be shared on email.

Speaker summaries and presentations will be available after the conference on the website, www.aawconference.org and on the conference and organizers' social media pages. Please see the links to the social media pages under 'Social Media' below.

THE CONFERENCE

The conference hall is expected to accommodate approximately 300 people. A fully branded team will usher in speakers and panelists from different sectors and professionals of the animal welfare and conservation field. The event will be streamed live as the conference proceeds.

English and French translation will be provided at the venue.



PLEASE NOTE:

- **Water Bottles**

We are dedicated to reducing or eliminating plastic water bottle at meetings and events. Plastic water bottles will not be available, and we encourage participants to bring reusable bottles with them to the conference.

- **Digital Materials**

The venue is paperless so we will need delegates to have their tablets or laptops to keep up with schedules and info.

- **Lanyards**

The conference will not provide lanyards. Only nametags will be provided. Delegates are required to bring old lanyards for re-use.

SOCIAL MEDIA



The official social media pages for the Africa Animal Welfare Conferences that will be used are as follows:

Facebook - @AfricaAnimalWelfareConference

<https://web.facebook.com/AAWConference/>

X - @AAWConference

<https://x.com/AAWConference>

The **official hashtags** for the 8th Africa Animal Welfare Conference – Action 2024 (AAWC 2024) are:

#AAWC2024

#AAWConference

#AAWC24

MEALS

A variety of non-vegetarian, vegetarian, and vegan lunch options will be available at the conference venue from September 30 to October 3, 2024. Additionally, tea and snacks will be provided at **10:00 AM** and **4:00 PM** each day while lunch served at **1:00 PM**.

We encourage all participants to bring a **reusable water bottle** to stay hydrated throughout the conference.

CONNECTIVITY

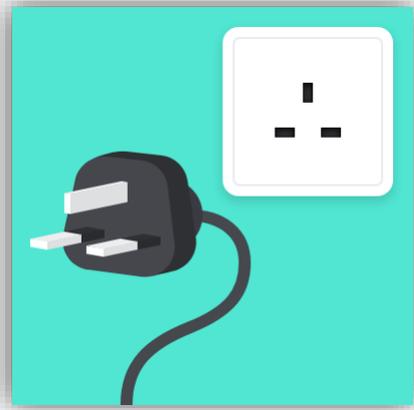


Kenya has emerged as a leading force in Africa's digital revolution with its vibrant tech ecosystem, forward-thinking policies, and young and tech-savvy population.

There is a widespread adoption of affordable smartphones and the rollout of 3G and 4G networks.

Local SIM cards are readily available from primary providers such as Safaricom, Airtel Kenya, and Telkom Kenya, which have expanded internet coverage and improved connectivity speeds across the country. Mobile phones can be purchased from major shops in Nairobi. Additionally, Wi-Fi will be provided at the conference venue.

KENYA TRAVEL ADAPTORS



Type G



Type G Adapter

In Kenya, the associated plug type is G, which features three rectangular pins arranged in a triangular pattern. The country operates on a 240V supply voltage and 50Hz frequency.

CURRENCY

The main currency in Kenya is the Kenyan Shilling, denoted by the currency code KES. Once you're in Kenya, you'll see prices displayed with the symbol KSh.

Expect to pay for local services in cash, using Kenyan Shillings, or via MPESA. Kenyan banknotes are available in denominations of 50, 100, 200, 500, and 1000 KSh. Coins come in 1, 5, 10, and 20 KSh, with 40 and 50 cent coins also available, though the latter are not commonly used.

The local currency you will need during your stay in Kenya should be obtained at authorized facilities such as banks and foreign exchange bureaus. Currency can also be exchanged at the Nairobi Airport on arrival. It is very difficult to exchange the shilling outside of Kenya so we recommend that you change only as much as you will need.

Major credit cards, debit and credit, are accepted at most outlets in Kenya.



MPESA is a mobile payment system, only registered to Safaricom, that allows users to store and transfer money through their mobile phones. M-Pesa was introduced in Kenya as an alternative way for the population of the country to have access to financial services. Payments are also commonly made through M-PESA. Launched in Kenya in 2007, M-PESA was designed to make domestic remittance as simple as sending a text.

Today, M-PESA enables customers across seven African markets to instantly and securely send funds, pay bills, make in-store payments, send money abroad, and access financial services such as loans and overdraft facilities.

ATMs are widely available throughout Nairobi. Major foreign currencies, particularly USD and Euros, are accepted and can be converted at banks and *Bureaux de Change* in main towns and tourist areas.

Cash can be exchanged at banks and private forex bureaux, which are usually closed on Sundays and public holidays.

VISA

Kenya Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA)

Delegates from the EAC Countries (Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda, South Sudan, Tanzania and Uganda) do not need to fill out the Kenya Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA).

However, those outside the EAC region are required to fill out the Kenya Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) before they can be allowed entry into the country.

What is the Kenya Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA)?

Kenya eTA is a semi-automated system that determines the eligibility of visitors to travel to Kenya. An eTA offers permission to travel and is authorized by the Government of the Republic of Kenya. An eTA does not determine whether a traveller is admissible to enter Kenya. Immigration officers will determine admissibility upon traveller's arrival.

The eTA application collects biographic information and answers to eligibility questions from the traveller. **Applications are usually processed within 3 days**, but in some cases it may take longer. We recommend applying for your eTA 2 weeks prior to travel. Travelers can submit their applications up to 3 months prior

to travel. It is highly recommended that travellers apply as soon as they have booked their accommodations and transport tickets.

Who must obtain the eTA?

The eTA is mandatory for all foreign visitors. Passport holders from the following EAC countries are exempted from applying to an eTA: Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda, South Sudan, Tanzania and Uganda.

Each eligible traveler is required to apply for an eTA before starting travel. It is mandatory to use the Government's official website to submit your application. Applications submitted via third party websites will be automatically denied. For children under the age of 18, the legal guardian, parent or accompanying adult is responsible for filling the application.

What information is required to apply for an eTA?

- Valid passport
- Recent passport style picture OR a selfie picture taken during application process.
- Contact details (home address, telephone, email)
- Travel information and flight itinerary (arrival flight number, date of departure of initial flight in case of connecting flights).
- Proof of booking for the hotel you will be staying at (if staying with friends, a letter of invitation is accepted).
- Credit/Debit card information for payment, if applicable

How do I apply for the eTA?

The Government of Kenya has made this website available as a secure platform for the purpose of allowing visitors to submit information and apply for an eTA. eTA applications must be completed only through this official website or the “Kenya Travel Authorization” official mobile application and must be done for each individual who intends to travel to Kenya.

Steps:

1. Visit www.etakenya.go.ke
2. Click “Apply Now” and follow the instructions
3. Make sure that all the data has been entered correctly
4. Submit the application
5. An email confirming receipt of your application will be sent to you
6. An email confirming receipt of payment, if applicable, will be sent to you.
7. Upon decision by Immigration officer, an email confirming Approval / Refusal will be sent to you
 - If your application has been approved, please either print the PDF document that has been attached to the email, OR download the document to your mobile device OR save it in the “Kenya Travel

Authorization” mobile app. This is your electronic travel authorization that needs to be shown at all departure and arrival points

- If your application has been denied, you will not be able to travel to Kenya for the moment.
- Please contact support@etakenya.go.ke to report your situation and obtain further details.
- You can check the status of your application at any time by visiting the following URL: <https://www.etakenya.go.ke>

You are only allowed to travel after your application has been approved by the Government of Kenya.

How much does the eTA cost?

1. The single-entry eTA fee is USD 32.50 per traveller, plus bank and processing fees
2. The multiple entry eTA fee is USD 160 per traveller, plus bank and processing fees

HEALTH

Certificate requirements

Please Check the latest vaccine recommendations for Kenya and read the information on the link below carefully:

https://travelhealthpro.org.uk/country/117/kenya#Vaccine_Recommendations

For any queries on any of the above, please contact us on:

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Mobile Phone: +254 – (0) 798 452 625

THE MAP OF KENYA



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