



10TH AFRICA ANIMAL WELFARE CONFERENCE

CONFERENCE LOGISTICS NOTE

THEME:

Dialogue to Action: Collaborative Implementation for Animal Welfare, Climate Adaptation and Sustainable Development in Africa

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Lusaka, Zambia



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Greetings to you and to your household. May your loved ones remain in good health, your journey be safe, and may peace accompany you as you prepare to travel.

Across our beautiful continent, the rising African sun reminds us each day of our shared responsibility to care for each other, our animals, and our environment.

It is in this spirit that we welcome you to the 10th Africa Animal Welfare Conference (AAWC), which will take place from October 5 to 7, 2026, at the Golden Peacock Hotel, Lusaka, Zambia, under the theme: "*Dialogue to Action: Collaborative Implementation for Animal Welfare, Climate Adaptation, and Sustainable Development in Africa.*"

The following Conference Logistics Note has been prepared to help you plan your journey and enjoy a comfortable and memorable stay. The Note is your trusted companion as you prepare for the 10th Africa Animal Welfare Conference. Inside, you'll find information and needed links on registration, travel, accommodation, meals, and connectivity, the programme, social media links, essential items, electricity and adaptors, visa and health requirements, and key contacts for logistical support.

The AAWC Secretariat looks forward to welcoming you to Zambia!

Introduction

Over the past decade, the Africa Animal Welfare Conference (AAWC) has grown into the continent's premier annual forum for dialogue on animal welfare and its interconnected role in environmental conservation, wildlife management, human health, climate action, and sustainable development. More than a conference, it is an annual meeting place for Africa's animal welfare stakeholders.

Each year, the conference brings together government representatives, intergovernmental organizations, civil society, academia, researchers, conservationists, veterinarians, legal professionals, development partners, the media, community leaders, and many others who share a commitment to advancing animal welfare across Africa. Together, we exchange ideas, learn from one another, celebrate progress, tackle emerging challenges, and strengthen the partnerships that will shape a more compassionate and sustainable Africa for the future.





Guided by the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH) Animal Welfare Standards, the Five Freedoms of Animal Welfare, and the Animal Welfare Strategy for Africa (AWSA), the Conference provides a trusted platform for policy dialogue, technical exchange, partnership, information, research, innovation, science-backed knowledge, and collaborative action.

This year's conference is hosted by the Government of Zambia and jointly organized by the African Union–Interafrican Bureau for Animal Resources (AU-IBAR), Working Animals International, and the Africa Network for Animal Welfare (ANAW), with the support of a dedicated Conference Organizing Committee.

This could be the first or the tenth Africa Animal Welfare Conference (AAWC) you are attending. Either way, we are delighted that you are part of this gathering.

The 10th Africa Animal Welfare Conference

The 10th edition of the conference marks a defining milestone. Building on nearly a decade of commitments, resolutions and policy progress, the 10th AAWC marks a decisive shift from dialogue to coordinated implementation.

With the foundations firmly established, the focus now turns to measurable action, strengthened accountability, and deeper integration of animal welfare within Africa's climate and sustainable development agenda. As Africa confronts escalating climate change impacts, biodiversity loss, illegal wildlife trade, unsustainable livestock systems, and increasing socio-economic vulnerabilities, the urgency shifts from dialogue alone to measurable implementation.

The 10th AAWC presents a space to translate important resolutions and commitments that have been adopted over the past decade into tangible outcomes at regional, national, and community levels.

Hosted by the Government of Zambia and co-hosted by the African Union - Inter-African Bureau for Animal Resources (AU-IBAR), Working Animals International, and Africa Network for Animal Welfare (ANAW), the 10th AAWC reinforces its identity as an indigenous platform committed to coordinated implementation, accountability, and policy coherence across African states.

This year's conference will be a hybrid event comprising in-person attendance and live streaming for online participants. The proceedings will involve presentations on selected topics, speeches, presentations, panel discussions, and Q&A sessions.





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WELCOME TO ZAMBIA!

Mwaiseni mukwai! Welcome to Lusaka, the heart of Zambia.

The 10th Africa Animal Welfare Conference invites you to join hands, share ideas, and engage in Africa's discussion on animal welfare, environmental conservation, wildlife management, human health, climate action, and sustainable development.

The Conference

The doors open on October 5, and the secretariat will warmly welcome delegates to the conference. Registration begins in the morning, followed by opening speeches and a keynote address in the afternoon that will set the tone for three days of dialogue, discussions, and deliberations. The closing session will be a culmination of discussed commitments, reflections, and a course of action articulated in agreed-upon conference resolutions.

The conference hall is expected to accommodate approximately 500 people. A fully branded team will usher in speakers, panelists, delegates from different sectors, and the media. The event will be streamed live as the conference proceeds. English and French interpretation will be made available.

Certificates of participation will be shared with every attendee, a keepsake of this milestone moment.

Registration

Participants are kindly requested to complete their conference registration. Upon arrival at the conference venue, delegates will receive their conference badges and conference information materials at the registration desk.

Registration is currently open. The link to register is now available on the official conference [website](#). Once your registration application is submitted, you will receive a confirmation email from the AAWC Secretariat. Delegates will have the option to attend in person or participate virtually online.

The registration fee includes conference attendance for the **three** days, conference materials, and meals including lunch, tea, and snacks during the conference. The registration fee **excludes** flight tickets to Lusaka, Zambia, accommodation during the





conference, breakfast and dinner during the conference, daily transport to and from the conference venue, and visa application fees.

Wi-Fi will be provided at the conference venue.

Travel and Arrival

Delegates are encouraged to make travel arrangements well in advance. Please ensure that your passport remains valid for at least six months beyond your intended stay and that you meet Zambia's entry requirements. Further travel information and assistance may be obtained from the Conference Secretariat by email, info@aawconference.org.

At Kenneth Kaunda International Airport, the AAWC team and hotel representatives will be waiting, with a sign marked “**10th Africa Animal Welfare Conference**”. Delegates will be transferred safely to the venue in hotel vehicles. Taxis and ride-shares are also available for those who prefer their own pace. All delegates are supposed to have confirmed their itinerary for airport transfers. If you have not, kindly reach out to Annastacia Kuria on email: annastacia@anaw.org or WhatsApp: **+254704305330**

Accommodation

The Golden Peacock Hotel is a good option for your stay during the conference. With spacious halls, cozy rooms, and Zambian hospitality, it offers the perfect blend of comfort and convenience. We recommend that you consider accommodation packages for the Golden Peacock Hotel in Lusaka, Zambia. You can find more information on this [here](#).

For those who prefer alternatives, nearby hotels provide charming stays with African flair. You are advised to book early.

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 and on the roll-up banner by the registration desk. The programme is aligned to the conference theme and sub-themes.





For online participants, the conference programme will be shared by email. Speaker summaries and presentations will be made available after the conference on the website, www.aawconference.org, and on the conference and organizers' social media pages.

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>

LinkedIn- <https://www.linkedin.com/company/anaw-africa>

The official hashtags for the 10th Africa Animal Welfare Conference (AAWC 2026) are:

#AAWC2026

#AAWConference

#AAWC26

Meals

A variety of non-vegetarian, vegetarian, and vegan lunch options will be available at the conference venue from October 5 to 7, 2026. Additionally, tea and snacks will be provided at **10:00 AM** and **4:00 PM** each day while lunch is served at **1:00 PM**.

Essential Items

Please Note:

- **Information Materials**





The venue is paperless, so we will need delegates to have their tablets or laptops to keep up with schedules and info. A QR Code will be provided at the registration desk where you can access the needed conference documents

- **Lanyards**

Delegates are encouraged to bring any old lanyards for re-use.

Conference Documentation and Photography

The deliberations and insights shared during the 10th Africa Animal Welfare Conference will extend well beyond the event itself. To capture the knowledge, recommendations, and outcomes of the conference, a comprehensive Conference Report will be prepared and shared with participants after the event.

The report will provide a lasting record of the conference, including keynote addresses, technical presentations, panel discussions, Q&A sessions, key recommendations, and major outcomes. It is intended to serve as a valuable reference for delegates, academic institutions, partners, and other stakeholders as they continue advancing animal welfare, climate adaptation, and sustainable development across Africa.

To help document this important milestone, official photographs and video recordings will be taken throughout the conference. These may be used in the Conference Report and in post-conference communication materials, including publications, websites, newsletters, and social media, to highlight the discussions, partnerships, and achievements of the event.

Connectivity

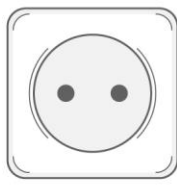
Zambia's internet and telecommunications connectivity is expanding rapidly through major investments in fiber-optics and mobile broadband, though affordability and rural access remain key challenges.

Major operators like Airtel Zambia, MTN Zambia, and state-owned Zamtel drive the majority of connections, backed by large-scale network expansions. Alternative solutions like SpaceX's Starlink are operational, alongside government programs like the SMART Zambia Institute deploying public WiFi and the GovLink network to connect schools and health facilities.

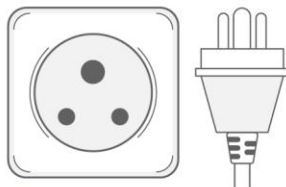


Zambia Travel Adaptors

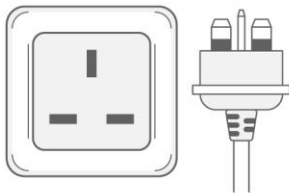
Zambia uses power outlets and plugs of types C, D & G.



Type C



Type D



Type G

Type C - The standard European plug. Commonly used in Europe, South America and Asia, but also in quite a few other countries. Plugs of type E and F will also fit in a type C outlet.

Type D - Mostly used in India, Pakistan, Nepal, Sri Lanka and a few African countries. No other plug types will fit in a type D socket.

Type G - From British origin, mainly used in the United Kingdom, Ireland, Malta, Malaysia and Singapore, but also in quite a few other countries. No other plug types fit into an outlet of type G.

Electricity - Voltage and Frequency

All power sockets in Zambia provide a standard voltage of 230V with a standard frequency of 50Hz. You can use all your equipment in Zambia if the outlet voltage in your own country is between 220V-240V. This is the case in most of Europe, Australia, the United Kingdom and most countries in Africa and Asia.

If the standard voltage in your country is in the range of 100V-127V (which is most common in the US, Canada and countries in South America) you might need a voltage converter in Zambia.

The standard frequency in Zambia is 50Hz. If this frequency differs from the frequency used in your home country, please use caution when plugging in your devices. Check the small print on the device to see if the device can handle the frequency.

Please note we regularly check our electricity information with the International Electrotechnical Committee (IEC).



Small print on the device or power adapter indicates what voltages the device can work with. If you see 100-240V 50/60Hz printed, the adapter is rated to work on all voltages used worldwide. Please note that power plug adapters only convert plug types and do not convert voltages.

Visa Requirements for Zambia

How to get a Visa

Foreign nationals wishing to enter the country fall within one of the three (3) distinct categories:

1. [Nationals who do not require visas to enter Zambia;](#)
2. [Nationals requiring visas on arrival or Missions Abroad; and](#)
3. [Nationals required to apply for visas before travel to Zambia.](#)

To obtain a visa on arrival, the visitor must have full information about his/her host and be in a position to provide a physical address where he/she will be staying for the duration of their stay. They must also have at least six months' validity on their passports from the date of entry, and the passport must also have at least 3 full blank pages.

Those arriving in Zambia by Air must have valid return air tickets. Those arriving by land and water must have enough funds for their stay in and departure from Zambia

Visa Before Travel (e-Visa)

An e-Visa is an official document permitting entry into and travel within Zambia. It is an alternative to visas issued at Immigration Headquarters, Zambian Missions Abroad and at the ports of entry. Applicants obtain their visas electronically after entering required information and making payments by a credit or debit card.

All persons who ordinarily require visas to come to Zambia are eligible to apply for e-visas. Note: Persons below the age of 16 cannot apply for an e-Visa. If travelling with an adult, they must be included in the adult's application during the application process.

Find out more here: [For Visitors – Zambia Department of Immigration](#)

Health Requirements





Medical Travel Insurance must be purchased before you arrive in Zambia. Make sure that the insurance includes emergency air evacuation coverage if you are going to remote areas of Zambia. Your travel consultant who plans your trip will be able to help you with getting insurance.

A yellow fever certificate is required if you are travelling from an infected area to Zambia. Please make sure to get vaccinations for cholera, tetanus and yellow fever, as you never know when an outbreak occurs, especially in the rainy season. Consult your doctor to make sure that you get all the up-to-date health information before your trip.

Contacts

Throughout the conference, representatives at the help desk will be ready to assist onsite and online.

For urgent inquiries, the AAWC Secretariat remains just a call or email away at +254 (0) 798 452 625 or info@aawconference.org.

