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# Logistics Note

**Inaugural East African Community Regional Education  
Conference & Celebration of the AU Year of Education**

**12<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> August**

**Arusha, Tanzania**

Dear Participant,

It is with great pleasure that we welcome you to Arusha, the Safari capital of Tanzania for the Inaugural East African Community Regional Education Conference and Celebration for the AU Year of Education 2024.

Below you will find key information to aid you in preparation for travel:

## TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS

**PASSPORT:** All visitors entering Tanzania must have a valid passport. The passport must have at least two blank pages and be valid for at least six months beyond the date of arrival in the country.

**VISA:** All visitors who require visas are required to obtain it before departing for Tanzania. If you require a multiple-entry visa, please apply well in advance of travel. To view visa costs and application details, please visit [this link](#).

**YELLOW FEVER CARD:** Remember to carry your vaccination cards, and particularly your yellow fever.

**INVITATION LETTER:** Remember to carry your invitation letter either in digital or print form.

## WEATHER

The weather in Arusha, Tanzania is expected to be pleasant in August. Daytime temperatures will range from 22°C to 25°C, making it comfortably warm. Nights will be cooler, with temperatures dropping to around 11°C to 14°C, so bringing some warm layers for the evenings is advisable. Rainfall during this period is expected to be minimal, and the skies will be mostly clear to partly cloudy.

## THE VENUE

The conference will be held at the Arusha International Conference Centre (AICC). **Lunch, 10 O'clock tea and 4 O'clock Tea will be provided.** AICC is located in the heart of Arusha, Tanzania, is a premier venue for conferences, workshops, seminars, and committee meetings. The AICC is adjoined to the EAC Headquarters. It is only a stone-throw away from Africa's greatest Mountain, Mt. Kilimanjaro and the safari-gateway to the astounding safari destinations including the Ngorongoro Crater, the Serengeti, Tarangire, Arusha National Park and Lake Manyara National Parks. For more information about the venue, please visit [this link](#).

## TRANSPORT, ACCOMMODATION AND MEALS

Self-sponsored delegates are required to make individual arrangements for transport and accommodation to Arusha. For more information on hotels, please visit [this link](#).

All other delegates have already received their booking details from the Conference Secretariat. **In case you are a sponsored delegate and are still unclear about your travel logistics, please WhatsApp Sheila Obanda on +254711830684.**

## SAFETY

It is advisable to avoid walking alone in isolated places and back streets both during the day and night. Avoid displaying valuables and minimise the use of your mobile phone while walking on the streets. At the hotel, familiarise yourself with the fire exits, especially those on your floor and know where they come out. Keep your valuables in a safe deposit box and ensure your credit cards are always secure.

## CURRENCY

Visitors to Arusha primarily use the Tanzanian Shilling (TZS) as the local currency. However, US Dollars (USD) are widely accepted, especially in hotels, tourist attractions, and for safaris. It's advisable for visitors to carry some Tanzanian Shillings for smaller purchases and local transactions. Credit cards are also accepted in many hotels, restaurants, and shops, although it is always good to confirm in advance. There

are several bureaus in Arusha where you can have currency exchange. There is also a KCB Bank at the EAC Headquarters close to the Conference centre where you can have such transactions.

## OTHER ACTIVITIES IN ARUSHA

The following are few activities that can be conveniently scheduled, providing a mix of cultural, educational, and leisurely experiences:

- **Visit to Arusha National Park**

A quick safari experience close to the city, where you can enjoy game drives and see wildlife like giraffes, zebras, and buffaloes. Ideal for fitting into a half-day schedule.

- **Cultural Heritage Centre**

A great place to spend an afternoon exploring Tanzanian art, history, and culture. The centre features art galleries, souvenir shops, and exhibits on the country's heritage.

- **Visit the Arusha Declaration Museum**

An informative stop that provides insights into Tanzania's political history and the significance of the Arusha Declaration. It's a convenient activity that can be done in a couple of hours.

- **Maasai Market**

A vibrant market where you can shop for traditional crafts, jewelry, clothing, and artwork. It's an excellent spot for picking up souvenirs and experiencing local culture, easily fitting into a few hours.

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