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**Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries**

## **Ministerial Conference on Global Open Data for Agriculture and Nutrition (GODAN) & 4th Agritec Africa International Exhibition**

**Nairobi, 14-16 June 2017**

### **Information for participants**

#### **I. General**

1. The Ministerial Conference on Global Open Data for Agriculture and Nutrition (GODAN) which will be held alongside the 4th Agritec Africa International Exhibition is scheduled to be held at the Kenyatta International Convention Center (KICC) from 14 to 16 June 2017.
2. The opening of the session will take place at 10.00 hours on 14 June 2017, at the Amphitheatre, KICC, Nairobi.

#### **II. Registration and identification badges**

1. Participants are requested to register no later than **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2017**, to facilitate smooth coordination for the compilation of the list of participants and other logistics in readiness for the meeting. To register, please visit the link: <http://www.agritecafrica.com/godan/form/registration.html>

**Please note that badges will be issued from Tuesday 1:30pm-6.00pm and 14<sup>th</sup> from 6.00am-7.00am at KICC registration desk.**

2. Additional logistical information will be provided upon the confirmation of your participation.

#### **III. Visa requirements:**

Participants are **REQUIRED** to obtain an appropriate entry visa to Kenya, **EXCEPT** for those nationals listed below.

*Nationals of the following countries do not require visa to enter Kenya*

Barbados	Malawi	St. Vincent and the Grenadines
Belize	Malaysia (For less than 30 days stay)	St. Kitts and Nevis
Botswana	Mauritius	St. Lucia

Brunei	Namibia	Swaziland
Burundi	Nauru	Tanzania
Cyprus	New Guinea	The Bahamas
Darussalam	Papua	Tobago
Dominica	Rwanda	Tonga
Fiji Island	Samoa	Trinidad
Ghana	Seychelles	Tuvalu
Grenada	Sierra Leone	Uganda
Jamaica	Singapore	Vanuatu
Kiribati	Solomon Islands	Zambia
Lesotho	South Africa (For less than 30 days stay)	Zimbabwe

**NB:**

- I. Malaysia and South African nationals visiting for more than 30 days require visa.
- II. Taiwan nationals are issued visas on application but endorsement is not made on the passport.

*Nationals of the following countries, classes and categories of persons may be issued with visas on application and without reference to the Director of Immigration Services, Nairobi.*

Albania	Algeria	Andorra
Angola	Antigua and Bermuda	Argentina
Australia	Austria	Bahrain
Bangladesh	Belarus	Belgium
Benin	Bhutan	Bolivia
Bosnia	Brazil	Bulgaria
Burkina Faso	Cambodia	Canada
Cape Verde	Central African Republic	Chad
Chile (Nationalist)	China (China P.R.)	Columbia
Comoros	Congo (Brazzaville)	Costa Rica
Cote de'voire	Croatia	Cuba
Czech Republic	Denmark	Djibouti
Dominican Republic	DRC	East Timor
Ecuador	Egypt	El Salvador
Equatorial Guinea	Estonia	Finland
France	French Guyana	Gabon
Georgia	Germany	Greece
Greenland	Guatemala	Guinea
Guinea Bissau	Haiti	Herzegovina
Honduras	Hong Kong (Holders of Hong Kong special administrative region)	Hungary
Iceland	India	Indonesia
Iran	Ireland	Israel
Italy	Japan	Jordan
Kazakhstan	Kirghizstan	Korea (South)
Kuwait	Laos	Latvia
Liberia	Liechtenstein	Lithuania
Luxembourg	Macedonia	Madagascar

Malta	Marshall Islands	Mauritania
Mexico	Micronesia	Moldavia
Monaco	Mongolia	Montenegro
Morocco	Mozambique	Myanmar (Formerly Burma)
Nepal	Netherlands	New Zealand
Nicaragua	Niger	Nigeria
Norway	Oman	Pakistan
Palau Pacific Isles	Panama	Paraguay
Peru	Philippines	Poland
Portugal	Qatar	Romania
Russia	Russia	Salvador
Sao Tome and Principe	Saudi Arabia	Serbia
Slovakia	Slovenia	Southern Sudan
Spain	Sri Lanka	St. Christopher Cape
Sudan	Suriname	Sweden
Switzerland	Taiwan	Thailand
Timor East	Togo	Tunisia
Turkey	Turkmenistan	UAE
Ukraine	United Kingdom	Uruguay
USA	Uzbekistan	Vatican City
Venezuela	Vietnam	Yemen

*The following*

*persons do not require VISA for Kenya*

1. All persons whose passports are endorsed with valid Kenya re-entry passes or any other written authority in lieu of a re-entry pass
2. Holders of United Nations Organization Laissez-Passers whilst on official UN Business.
3. Holders of African Union Laissez-Passers whilst on official A.U. business.
4. Holders of African Development Bank Laissez-Passers, whilst on official A.D.B. business
5. Holders of COMESA Laissez-Passers, whilst on official COMESA business
6. Holders of International Monetary Fund and World Bank Laissez – Passers whilst on official IMF/World Bank Business.
7. Holders of Inter-Governmental Authority on Development (IGAD) Laissez-Passers whilst on official IGAD business.
8. Holders of Union of Radio, Television Network of Africa (URTNA) Laissez-Passers whilst on official URTNA business.
9. Holders of International Labor Organization (ILO) Laissez – Passers whilst on official ILO business.
10. Holders of European Union Laissez – Passers whilst on official European Union business.
11. Holders of CIP (International Potato Centre) Laissez – Passers whilst on official CIP business.

12. Holders of African Reinsurance Corporation (ARC) Laissez – Passers on official ARC business.
13. Holders of Diplomatic and Service Passports from The Islamic Republic of Iran for a period not exceeding (30) Days stay.

***Holders of Diplomatic, Official, Special, and Service Passports, from The Republic of Turkey and members of their families holding valid Diplomatic, Official, Special, and Service Passports, while on Transit or Stay not exceeding ninety (90) days.***

Online visa application can be requested via [www.ecitizen.go.ke](http://www.ecitizen.go.ke)

Visa application should register by clicking on “[click here to register](#)” and create an e-citizen account using their email addresses only.

To apply for an appropriate entry visa to Kenya, participants are required to contact the respective Kenya Embassy/Consulate for accurate information regarding their visa application procedures and required documents. The list of Kenyan Embassies/Consulates can be found at <http://www.mfa.go.ke/>

Participants who may wish to apply for a visa outside of their country of residence or reside in a country where there is no Kenyan Embassy /Consulate should check the location where it is possible for them to apply for a Kenyan visa.

***The following can NOT make e-Visa applications on e-Citizen. These Nationals of countries, classes and categories of persons require Referred Visas. The VISA applications are referred to the Director of Immigration services for processing and approval.***

Afghanistan	Armenia	Azerbaijan
Cameroon	Democratic People’s Republic of Korea (Formerly North Korea)	Eritrea
Iraq	Kosovo	Lebanon
Libya	Mali	Palestine
Senegal	Somalia	Syria
Tajikistan		

***NOTE: All participants are advised to consult with the Kenya Embassy/Consulate in their respective countries regarding the latest applicable immigration requirements prior to their departure for Kenya.***

#### **IV. Weather**

The daily average temperature for Nairobi in June is usually around 18 degrees with an average of 6 rainy days (low chances but possible). The temperatures change dramatically during the evenings and many visitors will want to bring a jacket. The average daily sunshine is 11 hours.

## V. Electric plug and socket

The electric power in Kenya is 240V running at 50Hz and the plug types used are type G. A hybrid socket is almost universally found which accepts the plug type. Delegates are strongly encouraged to carry their own adapters for use with laptops and other electrical appliances. In case of need, adapters can be purchased from shops in the city dealing in electronic and electrical items.



## VI. Health and vaccination

Upon arrival at the point of entry in Kenya, participants who are nationals of or have travelled from/through the countries listed below, which have been declared yellow fever infected areas, must provide an International Health Certificate proving that they have received a valid yellow fever vaccination at the Health Control Office before proceeding to immigration. A valid vaccination certificate means that the vaccine was administered at least 10 days prior to travel to the affected country. The International Health Certificate must also be submitted together with the visa application form.

The countries/areas listed below have been declared yellow fever infected areas:

Angola	Chad	The Gambia	Nigeria	Tanzania
Argentina	Colombia	Ghana	Panama	Togo
Benin	Bolivarian Republic Of Colombia	Guinea	Paraguay	Trinidad & Tobago
Bolivia, Plurinational State Of Bolivia	Congo	Guinea-Bissau	Peru	Uganda
Brazil	Cote D'voire	Guyana	Rwanda	Venezuela
Burkina Faso	Democratic Republic Of Congo	Liberia	Senegal	
Burundi	Ecuador	Mali	Sierra Leone	
Cameroon	Ethiopia	Mauritania	Sudan	
Central African Republic	Gabon	Niger	Suriname	

## Vii. Currency and Banking

The Kenyan currency is known as the Kenyan Shillings (Ksh). Bank notes are available in denominations of Ksh 50, 100, 200, 500, 1000. Coins are available in denominations of Ksh 1, 5, 10, 20 and 40. There are some hotels that accept foreign currency but do have higher rates.

Any person who carries an aggregate amount of foreign currency equal to or exceeding US\$ 10,000 or its equivalent will be required to provide additional information to the banks as a mandatory requirement by Central Bank of Kenya under the Proceeds of Crime and Anti-Money Laundering Regulations, 2013.

Currency exchange facilities are available at the International terminal of Jomo Kenyatta International Airport accessible both to arriving and departing passengers. Additionally, such services are also available in Nairobi City and no commissions are charged. Banks generally open from 0830 to 1530 hours, with no lunch break, from Monday to Friday and 0830 to 1200 hours on Saturday. Most banks are closed on Sundays.

All major credit cards (Visa, Master Card, American Express) are widely accepted in and around Kenya.

## **VIII. Airline reservations**

Many international airlines operate regular services to and from Kenya mainly through the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport. Participants are advised to secure their return bookings prior to their departure for Kenya. If this is not possible, they should make firm return bookings immediately upon arrival in Nairobi.

## **IX. Hotels**

KICC is surrounded by modern hotels which are within a walking distance to the conference venue ensuring your accommodation needs are well taken care of during your stay. The following is a link to the Venue recommended hotels. <http://kicc.co.ke/accommodation>

The Conference has made arrangements with the following hotels so that you can get special rates as follows:-

- Hilton Hotel Nairobi - 125 USD Single Room
- Intercontinental Hotel - 130 USD Single Room B&B
- Heron Court Portico - 110 USD Standard Room and 135 suite
- 680 Hotel

## **X. Payment of hotel accounts**

Most hotels accept major credit and debit cards.

## **XI. Transport from and to airport and to the meeting venue**

To ensure ease of transport for delegates within Nairobi, the Government of Kenya will provide shuttle bus services for use by all delegates. Shuttle buses will connect to all the designated hotels where delegates are staying to pick-up and drop-off points at KICC. Additional logistics information will be provided upon request.

Please follow this link for a Google map pin of the location from your hotel. <https://goo.gl/Fw9JYI>

## **XII. Internet services**

The meeting venue will provide free Wi-Fi for all the participants who will be attending the meeting. Connection details will be provided to participants at the start of the meeting or upon arrival at the venue.

## **XIII. Catering services**

Coffee/tea will be provided during the course of the meeting. Exact break times will be indicated on the agenda.

## **XIV. Communications**

Mobile phone sim cards can be purchased upon arrival at the airport from the Safaricom and Airtel dealers at a cost of approximately \$ 2 or Ksh 200.

## **XV. Meeting documents**

Any documents for circulation or distribution at the meeting should be handed to the Secretariat at the meeting venue. Participants are required to give an advance notice of their intent to share documents at the meeting.

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