# PRACTICAL INFORMATION

National Flag

Coat of Arms National Anthem





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Website for the Government of Rwanda: www.gov.rw

# Regional Conference on Green Customs within the East African Community

#### A. DATE AND VENUE OF THE CONFERENCE

The Conference will take place on 24 Wednesday and 25 Thursday, January 2024. The venue will be communicated to the participants.

#### **B. VISA PROCEDURE**

All travellers to Rwanda should have a valid passport. For further information, please check the website of Rwanda Directorate General of Immigration and Emigration <a href="https://www.migration.gov.rw/visa-on-arrival">https://www.migration.gov.rw/visa-on-arrival</a>

#### C. WEATHER

For weather forecasts, please check <a href="http://meteorwanda.gov.rw/">http://meteorwanda.gov.rw/</a>

#### D. HEALTH AND COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

The COVID-19 travel guidelines are regularly reviewed and revised in light of health conditions. Kindly check for updates on the website below:

https://www.rbc.gov.rw/fileadmin/user\_upload/annoucement/Info\_note\_for\_passengers\_arriving\_in\_Rwanda\_cho.pdf

#### E. CURRENCY

Rwanda's unit of currency is the Rwandan Franc (FRW). It is better to arrive in Rwanda with US dollars or Euros in cash, which can be easily exchanged either at the airport or at any FOREX bureau or bank. The most useful bank branch would be the Bank of Kigali, which offers cash advances on credit cards and accepts travellers' cheques, which is not possible outside of Kigali.

There are automatic teller machines (ATMs) throughout Kigali that are accessible to visitors.

Credit cards are accepted in some upmarket restaurants, shops and hotels, but it is better to confirm prior to ordering.

Bureaux de change (FOREX Bureaus) are mostly located in Kigali and can offer a slightly better exchange rates than most banks. Forex Bureaus at the Kigali International Airport operate 24/24 hrs every day.

## F. COMMUNICATION

The international access code to call in RWANDA is +250 and the local time is GMT + 2 hours.

Pay as you go SIM cards and phones are available in most major retailers around Kigali. There are also multiple phone registration kiosks and stands around the city where you may purchase and register SIM cards. Below are the two mobile network operators in Rwanda:

Airtel Rwanda : www.africa.airtel.com/rwanda

■ MTN Rwanda: <u>www.mtn.co.rw</u>

The 3G and the 4G mobile data services provided by all the two mobile telecom operators are accessible in the whole Country of Rwanda.

Free WIFI is available at the Kigali International Airport and as well as at the proposed hotels.

## G. BANKING BUSINESS HOURS

ATMs operate 24 hours / 7days. Money transfer agencies are also available countrywide and include mainly Western Union, Money gram. The complete list of banks, money transfer agencies is available at <a href="https://www.bnr.rw/">www.bnr.rw/</a>

## H. SECURITY AND SAFETY

Rwanda is safe. However, we do recommend that you exercise normal caution, when travelling in our Country. The hotline for the National Police is 112.

For environmental protection purposes, it is prohibited by the Law to manufacture, import, use and sell the polythene bags (the ordinary type of plastic bag, commonly used for packaging of various products), except for medical and pharmaceutical use.

#### I. <u>ACCOMMODATION</u>

Below is a list of recommended hotels

#	Hotel	Contact / Address	Room Type	Negotiated rates per night
1.	Park Inn by Radisson Kigali	Avenue de Kiyovu & Res des Parcs Plot 5457, Kigali  E-Mail: reservation.kigali@parkinn.com Phone: +250788 132 500	Standard room	175\$
2.	MHotel	Mhotel Kn 1 Av, Nyarugenge, Kigali E-mail: reservation@mhotelkigali.com	Classic room	120\$

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		Web: www.mhotelkigali.com Tel: +250799300888		
3.	Ubumwe Grande Hotel	KN 67th, Kiyovu, Kigali Rwanda E-mail: reservations@theapdl.com Web: www.ubumwegrandehotel.com Tel: +250 788 165 700	Classic room Classic terrace Deluxe room	190\$ 210\$ 200\$
4.	Hotel des Mille collines	2 KN 6 Ave, Kigali Rwanda  E-mail: reservations@millecollines.rw  Web: www.millecollines.rw  Tel: +250788192000	Classic room city view  Classic room garden view  Classic room panorama	260\$ 280\$ 300\$
5.	Galaxy Hotel	KN 25, Kiyovu, Kigali Email: reservation.rw@galaxyhotelrwand a.com Web: www.galaxyhotelrwanda.com Tel: +250 252 500230 +250 788 389 022	Double room Standard room Deluxe room Junior suites	170\$ 140\$ 150\$ 250\$
6.	5 Swiss Hotel	KN25 Street 2, Kiyovu Kigali Rwanda  E-mail: info@5swisshotel.com/ reservation@5swisshotel.com  Web: www.5swissshotel.com  Tel: +250785511155	Standard room Standard room with Hill's view Standard room with Kitchenette Standard room Twin beds	100\$ 130\$ 130\$

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7.	Hill view Hotel	KN 25 St, Kigali Rwanda	Single room	100\$
		E-mail: info@hillviewhotelrwanda.com	Twin room  Double room	130\$ 120\$
		Web: hillviewhotelrwanda.com/main- contact/	Double Toolii	120\$
8.	Urban Hotel Kiyovu	Tel: +250783 462 500 +250787811111 urban.kigali@citybluehotels.com	Standard	150\$
9.	Onomo Hotel Kiyovu	Onomo Hotel Kiyovu Tel: +250252554700/+250786 624 188 Email: reservations.kigali@onomohotel.c om	Standard	100\$
10.	Sainte Famille Hotel Kiyovu	Tel: +250784180076/+250781205332 Email: saintefamillehotels@gmail.com	Standard	100\$
11.	2000 Hotel Nyarugenge City Centre	Tel: +250784793332  Email: reservation@2000hotel.com	Standard	100\$
12.	Onamo Hotel		Standard	100\$
13.	Great Hotel Kiyovu Nyarugenge	Tel: +250791550182 /+250791550183 Email: info@greathotelkiyovu.rw	Standard	40\$
14.	Hotel Heartland	Tel: +250789910711/+25078824971	Standard	40\$

#	Hotel	Contact / Address	Room Type	Negotiated rates per night
	Nyarugenge			
		Email:		
		heartlandhotel1@gmail.com		

# Have a Safe Trip and welcome to Kigali!