# 11th EAST AFRICA INTERNET GOVERNANCE FORUM 2024 TRAVEL NOTE

Dear Participant,

We are pleased to welcome you to the 11th East Africa Internet Governance Forum 2024, scheduled to take place the Kampala Serena, Hotel.

Please find essential travel information below to ensure a smooth and enjoyable experience at the event.

VENUE: Kampala Serena Hotel, Kintu Rd, Kampala, Uganda.

## TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

**Air Tickets:** The EAIGF secretarite will provide you're a return ticket. Please note that any requests for changes to issued bookings should be made directly with the airline. Any charges incurred for amendments or changes to booking shall be at the individual's personal cost.

**Visa Letters:** Participants from East Africa do not require a visa to enter Uganda. Participants requiring a visa should send letter requests on email to <u>info@eaigf.africa</u> with the subject EAIGF2024 Visa Letter. Requests should include attach a copy of their passport.

The EAIGF secretariate will provide the invitation letter, return ticket and hotel booking. For self sponsored participants, only Invitation letters will be provided.

To apply for an entry visa to Uganda, please visist - https://visas.immigration.go.ug/#/

### **Airport Transfers:**

Participants are responsible for local transport to/from the airport in their home countries.

Airport transfers have been organized for sponsored participants. Please look out for a placard with your name or Sign with the EAIGF2024.

Participants who are not sponsored by the EAIGF secretariate are advised to arrange their own transport from the airport to the Forum venue or pre-arranged accommodation.

## TRAVEL VACCINATIONS

**Yellow Fever Vaccination:** A valid Yellow Fever vaccination certificate will be required for entry into Uganda. Please ensure you have a valid vaccination card.

**Covid-19 Vaccination:** Travelers entering Uganda are not required to present a COVID-19 vaccination certificate or PCR negative test certificate unless required by the country of origin.

All participants are required to be fully vaccinated and the host will not cover any costs for PCR tests or Yellow Fever vaccines

## **ACCOMMODATION**

All sponsored participants will be provided with accommodation on a Bed and Breakfast basis. All other extra expenses will be borne by the participant.

Self-Sponsoring participants are encouraged to contact <a href="mailto:christine.atuhairwe@serenahotels.com">christine.atuhairwe@serenahotels.com</a> for negotiated rates at the Kampala Serena Hotel.

## Nearby hotels include:

- <u>Sheraton Hotel Kampala</u>
- Four Points by Sheraton Kampala
- <u>Protea Hotel Kampala, Elgon Terrace, Kampala</u>
- Fairway Boutique Hotel
- Hotel Golden Tulip Canaan Kampala

**PER DIEM AND INCIDENTALS:** Participants are responsible for all incidental expenses related to their conference attendance. Sponsored participants will receive a modest Daily Subsistence allowance (DSA) for meals not provided and other incidental expenses. Other participants are advised to carry enough funds to cover the duration of their stay in Uganda. Kindly do remember to submit your original boarding passes to the EAIGF Administrative team.

#### **LOCAL CURRENCY**

The official currency is the Uganda Shillings (UGX). Major foreign currencies can be converted at the airport, the hotel, or any major bank in the city. Please note that most ATMs accept major credit/debit cards including Visa, Master Card, Maestro and American Express.

## **TRAVEL MEDICAL INSURANCE:**

We recommend that all participants obtain travel insurance for their travel which covers the date of departure from their home country until the date of return. For personal health needs, remember to carry your own medication.

#### **WEATHER:**

The weather in September in Kampala is 25°C on average. Participants are encouraged to carry warm clothing.

#### **COMMUNICATION:**

Participants can purchase mobile Sim Cards from various telecom operators including MTN, Airtel, Lyca mobile at the airport and in town.

Internet access will be provided at the hotel and during the forum. Participants can also access internet service on a locally acquired sim card.

## **ELECTRICITY AND ELECTRICAL OUTLETS:**

Uganda operates on a 240 V supply voltage and 50 Hz frequency and you'll need 1 type of adaptor, Type G. See plug type  $\underline{\text{here}}$ 

## **CONTACTS:**

For inquires, email info@eaigf.africa

We look forward to your enjoyable stay in Kampala.