





19TH INTERNATIONAL TRIENNIAL SYMPOSIUM OF THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR TROPICAL ROOT CROPS (ISTRC) NAIROBI, KENYA, 21-25TH NOVEMBER 2022

LOGISTICAL INFORMATION

<u>Visa:</u>

Travelers are required to obtain an electronic visa prior to arrival in Kenya. Visas are no longer issued on arrival in Kenya, nor in Kenyan representations. All nationalities are eligible to apply for visa, apart from for those that have visa exemptions. Visit the E-Visa portal: <u>www.evisa.go.ke</u> for additional information.

<u>Health</u>

Passengers must hold digital proof that they are fully vaccinated against Covid-19. They must hold a QR code in digital or paper format showing they have completed a Travelers Health Surveillance Form online prior to departure. The forms must be filled online via <u>https://ears.health.go.ke/airline_registration</u>. If not vaccinated, passengers must hold digital proof of a Covid-19 certificate showing a negative PCR test result obtained within 72 hours prior to arrival in Kenya. Masks are encouraged in indoor areas.

Visitors entering Kenya are required to present their yellow fever vaccination document. Exemptions are made for visitors arriving from non-endemic areas such as Europe, North America, Australia, and New Zealand.

Malaria is prevalent in Kenya. Consult your doctor for preventative treatment of malaria and any other additional medical precautions you may require.

Remember to pack any medical prescription(s) given by your doctor to last the duration of travel.

Air ticket and airport transfers:

Meeting participants are responsible for purchasing their own tickets. Remember to organize airport transfer for your arrival and departure. You may enquire from the hotel you will be staying if they provide the service.

Alternatively, you may engage Uber or airport taxis, but ensure you have enough local currency to settle the charges.

Travel Insurance:

Participants are advised to also purchase travel insurance to mitigate against travel related risks. AATF shall not provide any travel insurance to cover medical expenses, accidents, death, trip cancellation, lost luggage, and other losses incurred while travelling.

Accommodation:

The ISTRC Secretariat has negotiated special rates at the meeting venue (Safari Park Hotel), and other hotels in the vicinity for alternative accommodation. Below is a schedule of







various hotels, their indicative rates, and contact information. You may call the hotel directly and speak to the booking agent concerned or use the links provided for direct online booking here: <u>https://istrc.aatf-africa.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/Conference-Accommodation-Negotiated-Rates-1.pdf</u>

Meeting Venue:

Safari Park Hotel Ltd. has been identified as the meeting venue. Please review the 19th ISTRC Programme for more information.

Registration:

Please register for the meeting using the link <u>https://istrc.aatf-africa.org/register/</u> by **28th October 2022**. You will be required to confirm your registration at the venue as you pick conference materials i.e., tags, program, etc.

Invitation letters:

If you have registered for the event but have not received your invitation letter, please contact Ms. Caroline Thande (<u>C.Thande@aatf-africa.org</u>). **Remember to attach your registration confirmation**.

Transportation:

AATF will provide transportation to the meeting venue, from the hotels in the schedule above, every morning and evening. A time schedule will be provided closer to the meeting dates.

Dress code:

Formal wear is recommended for the first day of the meeting and smart casual for subsequent days. **Group Photographs** will be taken as indicated in the programme. Participants are encouraged to dress in African wear for the **group formal dinner**. Please refer to the conference program for details on the formal dinner.

Internet:

The hotel provides Wi-Fi as part of the accommodation and conference packages.

Weather in Nairobi:

Mostly cloudy with possible rain showers. Forecasted average daily temperatures of 24^oC max. (day) and minimum of 15^oC min. (night).

Currency and exchange

Visa, MasterCard, and American Express are widely accepted by major hotels and outlets. One can change foreign currency at the hotel or at foreign exchange bureaus. You may check with the hotel concierge for recommended agents.

Exchange rate: Please visit <u>https://www.centralbank.go.ke/rates/forex-exchange-rates/</u> for indicative rates.







<u>Electrical Connections</u> Voltage: 220-240 Volts (U.S./Canada are 110-120 Volts) Primary Socket Types: British BS-1363

The 3-rectangular pin UK plug adapter (BS-1363) is commonly used for electrical appliances.



British BS-1363

Please remember to pack a travel adapter in case your laptop/mobile phone chargers are not compatible.

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