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This logistical note is intended to provide useful, practical, administrative and logistical information for delegates attending the 6th ARE Energy Access Investment Forum (EAIF).

Zambia



Source: <https://www.mapsofworld.com/answers/geography/what-are-the-key-facts-of-zambia/>

Geographical Features of the Country

Located in the continent of Africa, Zambia covers 743,398 km² of land and 9,220 km² of water, making it the 39th largest nation in the world with a total area of 752,618 km². Zambia shares land borders with 8 countries: Angola, Namibia, Mozambique, Zimbabwe, Tanzania, Democratic Republic of The Congo, Botswana and Malawi. The population of Zambia is 14,309,466 (2012) and the nation has a density of 19 people per square kilometre. Lusaka is the capital city of Zambia. It has a population of 1,267,440 and is located on a latitude of -15.41 and longitude of 28.29.

Although English is the official language of Zambia, more than 70 local languages and dialects are spoken throughout the country. The languages predominantly spoken are Nyanja, Tonga, Bemba, Luvale, Kaonde and Lozi. Bemba is the most widely spoken language in the capital city, Lusaka and across the region's Copperbelt.

Conference Venue

Radisson Blu Hotel
19029 Great East Road
10101
Lusaka, Zambia



Registration

To book a place at the Forum, please complete the [online registration](#). If you would like to participate, we recommend booking fast as space is limited, and we will close registrations once the venue capacity is reached. All delegates are asked to bring their passport or equivalent national identity card (with a picture) in order to obtain their badge at the registration desk, which will be located at the abovementioned conference venue entry hall area. All delegates are requested to comply with security measures.

Getting There

From the airport to the location: 25-40 min drive.

Further information on taxi companies can be found in page 6.

Useful information

Participants are expected to make and pay for their own travel arrangements, including flight and hotel reservations, airport transfers. Meals will be provided by ARE during the two-day event, as well as light catering at the Awards Ceremony. Wi-Fi access will also be provided at the venue.

Accommodation

Special negotiated rates have been arranged with some of the hotels listed below. In order to ensure room availability at negotiated rates, it is highly recommended to make reservations as early as possible.

Discounts are available at the following hotels negotiated by ARE:

Radisson Blu Hotel

19029, Great East Road, Lusaka ZM, 10101

Tel : (+260) 960280900

E-Mail : reservation.lusaka@radissonblu.com

Distance from from the venue: n/a

Website: <https://www.radissonhotels.com/en-us/brand/radisson-blu>

Offer: Discount rate of USD 160 (code: 2003ALRUEL)

Neelkanth Sarovar Premiere

6111, Manchinchi Rd, Lusaka ZM, 10101

Tel : (+260) 211427700

E-Mail : sm@neelkanthsarovarpremiere.com

Distance from the venue: 2 km

Website: <http://www.sarovarhotels.com/>

Contact Person: Mr Lwembe Chibwe

Offer: Discount rate of USD 150/person (single) and USD 180/person (double) per day (code: ARE03)

Taj Pamodzi

Church Road, Lusaka ZM, 10101

Tel : (+260) 211254455

E-Mail : yvonne.musabula@tajhotels.com

Distance from the venue: 4.5 km

Website: <https://www.tajhotels.com/>

Contact person: Ms Yvonne Musabula

Offer: Discount rate of USD 120/person (single) and USD 145/person (double) per day (fill-in special reservation form [here](#))

Other hotels in the area:

Protea Hotel

Arcades Shopping Complex, Cnr Great East Road, 10101 Thabo Mbeki Rd, Lusaka

Tel: (+260) 21 1254664

Price: around USD 110

Distance from the venue: 650 m

Website: <https://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/lunls-protea-hotel-lusaka/?scid=bb1a189a-fec3-4d19-a255-54ba596febe2>

Fallsway Lodge

11721, Thabo Mbeki Rd, Lusaka

Tel : (+260) 97 4599477

E-Mail : management@fallswayapartments.com

Price: around USD 110

Distance from the venue: 2.2 km

Website: <http://fallswayapartments.com/>

Nomads Court

Alick Nkhata Road Lusaka ZM, 10101

Tel : (+260) 211 258 100

E-Mail : <mailto:info@nomadscourtzambia.com>

Price: around USD 85

Distance from the venue: 3.1 km

Website: <https://www.nomadscourtzambia.com/>

General Visa Information

A passport and visa are required to enter Zambia, unless individuals come from one of the visa exempt countries or countries whose citizens are eligible for [visa on arrival](#). Passports must be valid for at least six months upon arrival and have at least two blank pages upon each entry. Travelers transiting South Africa must have at least two blank visa pages upon each entry as well.

A single-entry visa, valid for up to 90 days, may be obtained at a port of entry. Day visitors from neighbouring countries can obtain day-trip visas at the border. Business or voluntary service visitors must enter on business visas or they will be fined, incarcerated, and deported. Visit the Embassy of Zambia's [website](#) for information on other types of visas and the most current visa

information. Depending on the nationalities, visas can be obtained on arrival at the port of entry, at the Zambian Missions Abroad or obtained prior to travelling to Zambia. Anyone, regardless of nationality is now able to apply for an e-Visa to Zambia.

You must carry the original or a certified copy of your passport and immigration permit at all times. Certified copies must be obtained from the office that issued the permit. If your passport is lost or stolen, visit the Zambian Department of Immigration to obtain a replacement entry permit at no cost before attempting to depart the country.

As a general rule, ARE strongly recommends contacting the Zambian embassy in your country to get a visa prior to travel. ARE will be able to provide participants with a formal letter of invitation where required, as well as a letter from a local/regional organisation, to facilitate the obtaining of the visa.

Countries whose nationals are exempt from Visa formalities:

Angola, Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Australian Antarctic Territory, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, Botswana, British Antarctic Territory, British Indian Ocean Territory, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Channel Islands, Cyprus, Dominica, Falkland Islands, Falkland Islands Dependencies, Fiji Islands, Gibraltar, Grenada, Ireland, Isle of Man, Jamaica, Kenya, Kiribati, Lesotho, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Malta, Marshall Islands, Mauritius, Montenegro, Montserrat, Mozambique, Namibia, Nauru, Niue, Norfolk Island, Pitcairn Islands, Romania, Ross Dependency, St. Helena, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and Grenadines, Samoa, Serbia, Seychelles, Singapore, Solomon Islands, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Tokelau, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Tuvalu, Turks and Caicos Island, Uganda, Vanuatu, Western Samoa, Zimbabwe

More information: <https://www.zambiaimmigration.gov.zm/arriving-departing-zambia/>

Vaccinations

There are no compulsory vaccinations to enter the country if you are not travelling through a yellow fever country, yet the [CDC](#) and [WHO](#) recommend the following [vaccinations](#) for Zambia.

Taxi companies

ARE highly recommends using the app Ulendo for trustworthy taxi services. It is the Zambian equivalent for Uber. For transport from the airport to your respective hotel, we kindly encourage you to ask your hotel; Radisson Blu has a USD 25 fee for their airport shuttle.

Personal taxi drivers:

Mwansa: (+260) 961153190

Godfrey: (+260) 977863103

Currency

The currency in Zambia is the Zambian kwacha (ZMW). You can obtain cash (kwacha) at ATMs accepting Visa or MasterCard such as Barclays Bank, Stanbic and Standard Chartered banks in

the cities and larger towns. Be aware, however, that it's not unheard of for them to be down, so it's always wise to carry an emergency wad of back-up cash.

In the cities and larger towns, you can also easily change cash (no commission; photo ID required) at branches of Barclays Bank, FNB, Standard Chartered Bank and Zanaco. We've received reports that many banks, including at least one at the airport, won't accept US dollars issued before 2006.

US Dollar (USD) ↔ Zambian Kwacha (ZMW)
1 USD = 14.6940 ZMW

Euro (EUR) ↔ Zambian Kwacha (ZMW)
1 EUR = 16.1002 ZMW

Time Zone

Lusaka Time - Central African Time (CAT) equals to UTC/GMT +2:00

Weather

The average high-temperature, in March, in Lusaka, is 27.5°C (81.5°F), while the average low-temperature is 16.4°C (61.5°F). During the month of [March](#), you are most likely to experience good weather with pleasant average temperatures, and an average of 9 days of heavy rain (80mm).

Electrical Current

In Zambia, the power plugs and sockets are of type C, D and G. The standard voltage is 230 V and the standard frequency is 50 Hz. You can use your electric appliances in Zambia, if the standard voltage in your country is in between 220 - 240 V (as is in the UK, Europe, Australia and most of Asia and Africa).

Information and support

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