



GENERAL INFORMATION



1. **VISA**

All visitors to Uganda must hold valid passports.

It is the responsibility of each participant to apply for entry visas, as may be required depending on the passport they hold, from the Embassy of Uganda in their respective country.

Participants from countries where Uganda embassy is not represented are required to carry their invitation letter and show it at the immigration in order to get the visa upon arrival at Entebbe airport.

The visa fee is \$50.

2. **ARRIVALS**

An information / help desk will be set up at Entebbe International Airport to coordinate smooth arriving of delegates with protocol, immigration and also facilitate and coordinate with the transport, logistics and hotel accommodation.

VIP participants should make prior arrangements with the relevant authorities. An information / help desk will be set up in the VIP arrivals area.

For enquiries, please contact the Focal Point/ IGAD secretariat contact person:

Joseph Rwanshote: joseph.rwanshote@igad.int

Cc: tegueste.shimelis@igad.int, hodan.mohamed@igad.int

3. **AIRPORT PICK UP**

Transport shall be provided from the airport to your hotel and back to the airport after the meetings. Kindly send your flight information by e-mail to: nouria.aden@igad.int Cc: tegueste.shimelis@igad.int

For arriving Ministers and other VIP participants, a special protocol arrangement will be made for their transfer to the hotel. Kindly send the flight information to hodan.mohamed@igad.int

4. **ACCOMODATION**

For reasons of security, logistics and convenience, it is highly recommended that all participants stay at the Speke Resort Munyonyo where special rates for the Summit were negotiated.

To reserve a room, please write to: reservations@spekeresort.com or contact the person named below:

MR PRABHAT MISHRA

SPEKE RESORT, MUNYONYO



Cell: +256 772 777 790

5. REGISTRATION/ACCREDITATION

All the meetings will take place at the Speke Resort Munyonyo in Kampala, Uganda. An information desk will be set up at the hotel reception.

Participants will be required to show their invitation letters and identification for Registration and accreditation to receive the badge and conference documents.

Detailed information on the different venues will be available at the Summit Secretariat Desk in the Hotel.

6. MEETING AGENDA AND DOCUMENTS

The draft agenda/programme, the Concept Note and the invitation letter were sent by e-mail. Other meeting materials will be distributed at the registration desk.

Participants are encouraged to visit the IDDRSI website: <http://resilience.igadhost.com/> for more information.

7. LUNCH

Lunch for invited participants will be served on all meetings days at the Speke Resort Munyonyo.

8. HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

Yellow Fever vaccinations are recommended for all international travellers. We also recommend anti-malaria medication, especially during the rainy season. Most prescription drugs can be bought over the counter in Kampala. We advise clients to take their personal medical insurance.

9. OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

- **Simultaneous Language Interpretation/ Translation**

Simultaneous interpretation will be provided for the duration of the meetings in the following languages:

- French
- English

- **Information Technology**

The Business Centre offers internet surfing, faxing, photocopying and electronic mail services.

- **Banking Services**



CRANE Bank is available at The Speke Resort Munyonyo, where you can also find a Forex Bureau and an ATM Machine.

- **Currency**

The Ugandan Shilling is the national currency in the country. Cash American US dollars, Euro, British Pound or other convertible currencies can be exchanged at the Forex Bureau in the Hotel. It is advisable to carry USD dollar notes from the year 2006 and above as older notes may at times not be accepted. Bank notes should preferably be in denominations of 100s or 50, as smaller bills are often either not acceptable and fetch low exchange rates.

- **Weather**

Because Uganda is located on the Equator, the weather in Kampala (the capital city) is warm throughout most of the year.

On average, the hottest months of the year in Kampala are October and February, during which time the daily high temperatures will generally hover in the upper 80's and lower 90's. The nighttime temperatures during these months will generally drop to the lower 60's.

The coldest months of the year in Kampala on average are June and July, during which time the daily high temperatures will generally reach the lower 80's. The night time temperatures during these months will fall to the lower 60's on average. This temperature comparison shows that there is little variation from month to month.

The two rainy seasons are from March through May, and from the end of September through January.

- **Time**

Uganda is in the GMT + 3 hours time zone.

- **Electricity Supply**

Uganda uses 240 volts.

- **Telephone**

International dialing code: +256

- **SIM Card**

SIM card are available in the gift shop located inside The Speke Resort Munyonyo at 10,000 Uganda Shillings (average \$4-\$5).

- **Entebbe International Airport**

Entebbe International Airport is the principal international airport of Uganda. It is near the town of Entebbe, on the shores of Lake Victoria, and about 41 km (25 miles), by road, southwest of the central business district of Kampala, the capital of Uganda and the largest city in that country.



10. **CONTACTS**

For more information please contact the following:

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