





#### LOGISTICAL INFORMATION NOTE

#### FOR:

# THE NINTH CONFERENCE OF PARTIES (COP 9) & SECOND PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (PSC).

# AT PRIDEINN PARADISE BEACH RESORT, CONVENTION & SPA MOMBASA, KENYA.

#### **Welcome Note**

United Nations Environment - Nairobi Convention Secretariat welcomes you to Mombasa, Kenya to participate in the above meeting. The meeting is organized by The Nairobi Convention in collaboration with the Kenyan Government. The meetings will take place as follows:

2 <sup>nd</sup> Project Steering Committee	27 <sup>th</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup> August 2018
Technical Experts Meeting	29th August 2018
9 <sup>th</sup> Conference of Parties	30 <sup>th</sup> & 31 <sup>st</sup> August 2018

# Venue for the Meetings

The meetings will take place at the PrideInn Paradise Beach Resort in Mombasa. PrideInn is next to Shanzu Beach on the Indian Ocean, 16 km from Mombasa train station and 23 km from Moi International Airport.

Address: PrideInn Paradise Beach Resort, Convention & Spa

Shanzu Beach Area-North Coast-Mombasa

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# Accommodation

Participants are encouraged to book their accommodation at the PrideInn Paradise Beach Resort or in any of the hotels within the locale in the list shared.

#### Visa Arrangements

Visitors to Kenya require a visa unless they come from visa exempt countries. For nationals of countries requiring visas, application of the visa can be made ahead of your departure or upon arrival to Kenya. Visa fee is about KSh.5,022.22 (US\$50 or £30 or €40), if applicable (refer to the <u>list of countries exempt from visa fees</u>). Applications must be made through Kenyan diplomatic or consular representatives. You may apply for a Kenyan entry visa directly through the eVisa portal in: <a href="http://evisa.go.ke/evisa.html">http://evisa.go.ke/evisa.html</a>







All participants are advised to carry their invitation letters, recent passport (at least 6 months before expiration), yellow fever card, return or onward ticket.

# Flight Arrangements

UN Environment will provide the most direct economy class air ticket for participants whose travel is supported by the UN, while other partners will support some of the participants as per the information in the invitation letters already shared. Please note that if you decide to upgrade your flight or extend your stay in Mombasa, UN Environment will regrettably not meet any costs related to the change of your return date (tickets), including meals, accommodation and immigration procedures.

# Airport Transfer and Transport to Meeting Venue

Participants are required to make their own transport arrangements from the airport to the Hotel. No transport will be provided during the meeting.

# Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA)

United Nations Environment Programme sponsored participants will be paid their daily subsistence allowance (DSA) in Mombasa. The sponsored participants are kindly requested to provide their **boarding passes** during registration. DSA will be paid on **28**<sup>th</sup> **and 30**<sup>th</sup> **August 2018** to only those who will have submitted their boarding passes.

**Please Note:** It is a **requirement** that the participants produce their boarding passes for their DSA to be paid.

The current UN DSA rate for Mombasa is **USD. 169** per night. Any participant who is unable to stay for the duration of the meetings is requested to inform the secretariat as soon as possible, so that their daily subsistence allowance can be adjusted accordingly.

#### Registration

Participants are kindly requested to register and obtain meeting badges at the entrance of the Meeting Venue between 08:30 am and 08:55 am, on Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> August 2018.

#### Communication

Personal phone calls will be at the personal expense of participants. Wireless internet is provided by the hotel. You can therefore access the internet for free. For more information, please contact the reception.

Delegates can purchase their own local SIM cards from these recognized Mobile Operators upon arrival.

Mobile operators		
•	Safaricom	
•	Airtel	
•	Orange(Telkom Kenya)	







# Languages

The official working languages of Kenya are English and Swahili. Most Kenyans can speak more than one language based on their tribal roots. The most common language used in Mombasa is Swahili.

#### **Documentation**

Materials and meeting documents will be available on the Nairobi Convention website (<a href="http://web.unep.org/nairobiconvention/events/ninth-conference-parties-nairobiconvention">http://web.unep.org/nairobiconvention/events/second-project-steering-committee-meeting-wiosap-project</a>) and also provided to participants on flash drives at the beginning of the meeting.

#### Weather and Time Zone

- Average temperature in Mombasa in August is somewhat warm at 24°C (74°F).
- Afternoons can be fairly warm: average high temperatures = 27°C (81°F).
- Overnight temperatures reach an average low of 20°C (68°F)
- The average sea temperature is 25°C (77°F).
- The amount of precipitation declines for the third month in a row. 70mm of precipitation is expected for the month falling across an average of 12 days. The overall chance of rain is 32 percent.
- The chance of a sunny day is 21 percent, but overall, visitors can also expect to see an average of 7 hours of sunshine. Wind also diminishes greatly during this time of the year with the chance of seeing a windy day standing at only 7 percent.
- Mombasa is UTC/GMT +3 Hours Eastern Africa Time.
- You can obtain the current weather forecast for Mombasa using the link below: http://www.meteo.go.ke/index.php?q=today

# **Electricity Supply**

The Kenyan electricity supply is 240 volts AC, 50 HZ. If you travel to Kenya with a device that does not accept 240 Volts at 50 Hertz, you will need a voltage converter. Most outlets are of type G only work with plug G. It is advisable to bring your own adaptor.











Most major credit cards (MasterCard, Visa and American Express) are widely accepted. In addition to credit cards, it is advisable to carry easily convertible currency in cash.

# Local Currency and Exchange rate

The unit of currency in Kenya is the Shilling (KSh). The most accepted foreign currency is US dollars, but Euros and GBP are easily changed. The Current Exchange rates estimates are as per below. These rates are bound to change from time to time:

US\$1 = KSh100.57

€1 = KSh131.09

£1 = KSh116.89

# **Banking hours**

Banking hours are primarily from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on weekdays and from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturdays. All banks are closed on public holidays and Sundays.

# Health Requirements: - Insurance

You are advised to arrange your own travel expense insurance against sickness, accident and third party risk for the period of the meeting. United Nations Environment will not assume responsibility for any other expenditure, including the following:

- Cost incurred by the participants in respect of travel insurance, accident insurance, medical bills or hospitalization fees in connection with attending the meeting
- Any loss or damage to personal property of participants while attending the meeting or losses or damages claimed by third parties as a result of any negligence on the part of the participants
- Compensation in the event of death or disability of participants in connection with attending the meeting.

# For more information, please contact:

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# List of suitable Hotels in Mombasa around PrideInn Paradise Resort Beach Hotel & Spa

Name and Proximity to Meeting Venue		Contacts	Rates	
1	PrideInn Paradise Resort  (Venue of Meeting)	Tel: 0709 532 000   0709 374 000 Email: reservations@prideinnparadise.com Web: www.prideinnparadise.com	Single Half Board = Kes. 12000 BnB = Kes. 11000	<b>Suite</b> Kes. 35000
2	Serena Beach Resort & Spa (700m from meeting venue)	Phone: (+254) 732125000 or 727424201/2/3 Email: <a href="mailto:cro@serena.co.ke">cro@serena.co.ke</a> or <a href="mailto:mombasa@serena.co.ke">mombasa@serena.co.ke</a>	Standard Rooms  BnB = Kes. 10000  Half Board = Kes. 11000	
3	Nightingale Apartments (900m from meeting venue)	+254 722 722 084 / +254 705 073 847 Email: sales@nightingaleapartments.com	BnB From Kes. 5500 to Kes. 6500 Half Board = Kes. 6700 (each apartment designed for double occupancy)	
4	Flamingo Beach Resort & Spa  (1.2km from meeting venue)	Phone: +254 705 221 207 Email: info@emraldhotels.com	BnB = Kes. 7500 per head Half Board = Kes. 9000 per head	
5	Cowrie Shell Beach Apartments	Phone: + 254 731 286 286 / +254 700 004 449  Email: info@elegantproperties.co.ke	Single	







	(2.7km from meeting venue)		BnB = Kes. 6700	
6	Travellers Beach Hotel & Club (3.3km from meeting venue)	Tel: +254-41-5-485-121/6  Fax: +254-41-5-486-109/5485678  Email: travhtls@africaonline.co.ke  Web: www.travellersbeach.com  Sales & Marketing: Tel: 0721864144	Single Standard room  Half Board = Kes. 9000  Single Delux = Kes. 14000  Day Conference Package = Kes. 3000 p.p.d	e
7	Bamburi Beach Hotel (3.3km from meeting venue)	Tel: +(254) (41) 5485611-7 Email: info@bamburibeachkenya.com Web: reservations@bamburibeachkenya.com	Double BnB = Kes. 1	2965
8	Plaza Beach Hotel (3.3km from meeting venue)	Tel: (+254) 723 661 008 Email: info@plaza-beach.co.ke Web: www.plaza-beach.co.ke	Single BnB= Kes. 6500  Double BnB = Kes. 10500  Triple BnB = Kes. 11500	
9	Azul Margarita Beach Resort  (4.6km from meeting venue)	Tel: +254-020-268-944  Mobile: +254-727-531-259/+254-733-294-398	Single  BnB = Kes. 5500  Half Board = Kes. 6500	Double  BnB = Kes. 7500  Half Board =







				Kes. 9000
10	Baobab Holiday Resort  (6.2km from meeting venue)	Tel: 020 800 5498/0720 631113/0736 631113 Email: info@baobabholidayresort.com	Single  BnB = Kes. 6000,  Half Board = Kes. 6500	
	Sunset Paradise	Tel: 0716 950830	APARTMENT	3rd Jan - Per Day Ksh
11	Holiday Homes  (about 1.7km from meeting venue)	Web: https://sunsetparadiseholidayhomes.busines s.site/	1 Bedroom 2 Bedroom 3 Bedroom 4 Bedroom Single Room BB Single Room FB Double Room BB Double Room BB	7,000/- 10,000/- 15,000/- 20,000/- 4,000/- 5,000/- 6,000/- 5,500/- 7,500/- 9,500/-