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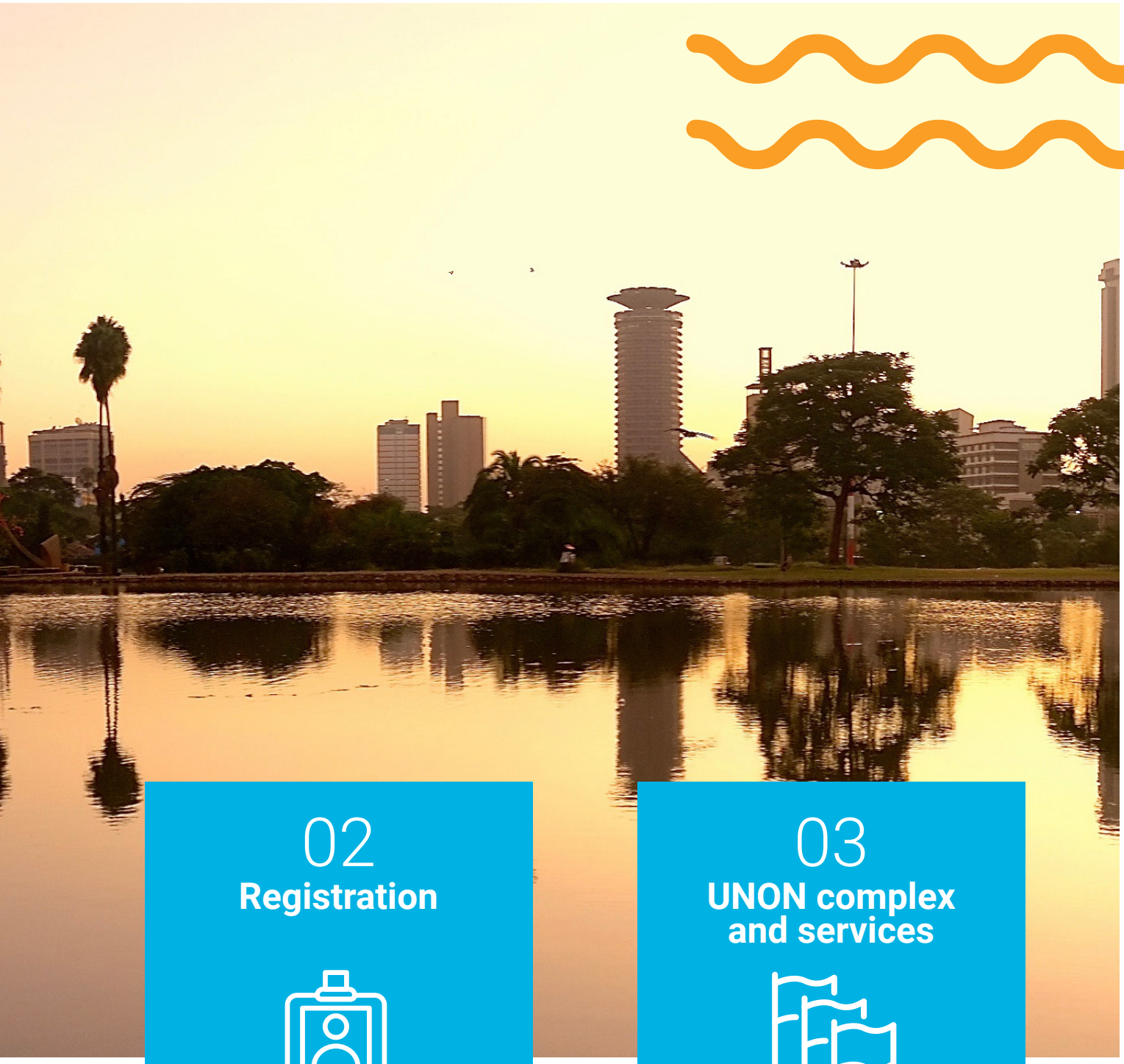


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Introduction

On 20 December 2018, the General Assembly of the United Nations in its resolution A/RES/73/239 decided to dissolve the Governing Council of UN-Habitat and to replace it with the United Nations Habitat Assembly (the Assembly) composed of universal membership. It also retained the Committee of Permanent Representatives of UN-Habitat and provided for the establishment of the Executive Board of UN-Habitat as the two intersessional organs of the Assembly.

In line with the provisions of the resolution 73/239, the United Nations Habitat Assembly will hold its resumed second session **in-person** at the United Nations Office at Nairobi (UNON), United Nations Avenue, Gigiri, Nairobi, Republic of Kenya from 29 to 30 May 2025.

Prior to the session, the third open-ended meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (OECPR) will take place from 26 to 28 May 2025 in preparations for the resumed second session of UN-Habitat Assembly and for a mid-term review.

A. The resumed second session of the UN-Habitat Assembly (UNHA2.2) to be held from 29 to 30 May 2025

The UN-Habitat Assembly is the highest-level decision-making body concerning urbanization and human settlement matters worldwide. The Assembly convenes every four years with the aim to tackle the most pressing human settlement challenges faced by the world today and to preserve and rehabilitate the urban environment. The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development has made understanding these challenges and promoting sustainable urbanization a central focus under SDG 11.

The UN-Habitat Assembly key responsibilities are as follows:

- Identify key issues and areas of focus for the normative and policy work of UN-Habitat,
- Review major trends related to human settlements and urbanization;
- Examine global norms and standards in human settlements and sustainable urbanization;
- Adopt resolutions, declarations, recommendations, formal decisions, reports, and other documents pertaining to strategic vision and political guidance in accordance with its mandate;
- Recommend strategies for coherent implementation of urban and human settlements dimensions of the 2030 Agenda, the New Urban Agenda and other global agendas, including of the work of the United Nations System;
- Examine and approve UN-Habitat's strategic plan, to be prepared by the Executive Board;
- Review the Secretary-General's quadrennial report on the implementation of the New Urban Agenda.

In line with rule 2 of the rules of procedure of the UN-Habitat Assembly, having a universal governmental membership, convenes in Nairobi for a five-day period every four years. Accordingly, the second session of the UN-Habitat Assembly was held from 5 to 9 June 2023. During that session, the Assembly decided, in accordance with rule 9 of the rules of procedure, to adjourn its second regular session and to resume the session for a duration of two days, on 29 and 30 May 2025, to align the planning cycle of UN-Habitat with the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for the development of the United Nations system. The report of the adjourned second session can be found in document A/79/8.

At the upcoming resumed second session of the UN-Habitat Assembly, Member States are expected to, among other matters, consider and approve the strategic plan of UN-Habitat for the period 2026–2029, a draft stakeholder engagement policy and draft international guidelines on people-centred smart cities. The session will also elect the 36 members of the Executive Board of UN-Habitat, to serve for a period of four years as well as the Bureau of the UN-Habitat Assembly. The notification of the Executive Director for the resumed session can be found here.

B. The third Open-ended meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (OECPR-3) to be held from 27 to 28 May 2025

Rule 23 of the rules of procedure of the UN-Habitat Assembly states that the Committee of Permanent Representatives shall convene, in an open-ended manner, twice every four years: once prior to the UN-Habitat Assembly, in preparation for that session, and once for a high-level midterm review. Accordingly, the Committee of Permanent Representatives held its second open-ended meeting at the UN-Habitat headquarters in Nairobi from 29 to 31 May and on 2 June 2023, in preparation for the adjourned second session of the UN-Habitat Assembly, held in Nairobi from 5 to 9 June 2023.

The third open-ended meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives will be held at the UN-Habitat headquarters in Nairobi from 26 to 28 May 2025 and will serve as a preparatory meeting for the resumed second session of the UN-Habitat Assembly, to be held on 29 and 30 May 2025. In addition, it will feature a high-level midterm review, as part of the efforts to align the planning cycle of UN-Habitat with the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for the development of the United Nations system.

Accordingly, the OECPR will consider, among other matters, the progress in the implementation of the New Urban Agenda, the report of the twelfth session of the World Urban Forum and preparations for the thirteenth session of the Forum, progress in the implementation of resolutions adopted by the UN-Habitat Assembly and the Strategic plan of UN-Habitat. The third OECPR will also prepare the draft outcomes of the resumed second session of the UN-Habitat Assembly. The notification of the Executive Director for the session can be found here.



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Registration

1. Online registration prior to the resumed session of the UN-Habitat Assembly and the third OECPR

Participation in the UN-Habitat Assembly, a body with universal governmental membership, is open to all members of the United Nations and non-members of the United Nations including States not Members of the United Nations (Cook Islands, Holy See, Niue and the State of Palestine), other United Nations bodies, United Nations Specialized Agencies and related organizations, qualifying intergovernmental organizations, and other entities, duly accredited representatives of local authorities and associations, Major groups and other stakeholders also known as Habitat Agenda Partners, and non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council.

All participants, including Member States delegations who are based in Nairobi, Kenya holding a ground pass to access the UNON Complex, are required to register online at events.unhabitat.org and to obtain a UN-Habitat Assembly photo badge. Online registration will be closed on 22 May 2025 (18:00 UTC +03:00).

Representatives of accredited organizations will be required to provide proof of their nomination by their accredited organization to attend the resumed second session of the UN-Habitat Assembly and the third OECPR sessions. In this respect it is important to note the following:

Organizations accredited to: (i) the First and Second Session of the UN-Habitat Assembly, (ii) Habitat II and the special session of the General Assembly on assessment of implementation of the Habitat Agenda (Istanbul + 5), (iii) Habitat III, or (iv) non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) wishing to attend should write to the Secretariat to express interest in participating in the sessions. These organizations have up until 22 May 2025 to confirm attendance and to nominate not more than five representatives to the Assembly by uploading an official nomination letter signed by the head of the organization using the official organization letterhead. Individually, each accredited representative nominated to attend the Assembly must pre-register online.

Any queries regarding accreditation of major groups and other stakeholders should be directed to Ms. Lucia Kiwala (email: lucia.kiwala@un.org with copies to unhabitat-partners@un.org, and unhabitat-sgb@un.org).

2. On-site Accreditation and Badging

On-site registration and badging for the resumed second session of the UN-Habitat Assembly and the third OECPR will begin at 09:00 on Friday, 23 May 2025. All delegates will be required to show proof of identity with a valid national passport or in the case of Kenyan nationals, an identification card, upon arrival at the registration area.

To avoid long queues on the day of the official opening, participants are strongly encouraged to pre-register online and to collect their badges before the opening day.

Day	Time
Friday, 23 May 2025	09:00 – 14:00 (UTC +3)
Saturday, 24 May 2025	10:00 – 15:00 (UTC +3)
Sunday, 25 May 2025	10:00 – 15:00 (UTC +3)
Monday, 26 May 2025	08:00 – 16:00 (UTC +3)
Tuesday, 27 May 2025	08:00 – 16:00 (UTC +3)
Wednesday, 28 May 2025	08:00 – 16:00 (UTC +3)
Thursday, 29 May 2025	08:00 – 16:00 (UTC +3)
Friday, 30 May 2025	08:00 – 12:00 (UTC +3)

The on-site accreditation desk is located at a tent just beyond the Visitor's Entrance of the UN Gigiri compound in Nairobi. On-site accreditation will be open as follows:

3. Ministers and Heads of Delegation

Ministers and Heads of Delegations will be issued with a dedicated photo badge, provided they are fully registered online to the event with an appropriate personal photo (profile picture, preferred with white background) and that an official Note Verbale from the Permanent Mission is uploaded during the registration process.

If the Minister or Head of Delegation is not available to collect the badge in person, a Note Verbale addressed to the UN-Habitat Governing Bodies (unhabitat-sgb@un.org with copies to unhabitat-events@un.org) should state the name of the collector, their ID number, and the full name of the Minister or Head of Delegation (including passport number and designation) whose badge is being collected. The badges can be collected as of Friday, 23 May 2025.

4. Media registration and facilities

Media personnel who already have a valid United Nations grounds pass for Nairobi will not require additional accreditation for the meeting apart from completing the online registration. All others will require United Nations accreditation by presenting a letter of assignment, one form of valid identification (e.g. ID, or passport) and proof of media affiliation (e.g. press card). Online accreditation for Media is available here with the deadline of 22 May 2025. These items should be presented at the registration desk for collection of a photo badge. Any inquires on media accreditation may be forwarded to unhabitat-media@un.org.

For media personnel accompanying national delegations, it is important to take note of the following:

i. **Identification:** Media personnel must be clearly identified in the note verbale.

ii. **Badging:** Media personnel will receive a "member state" badge instead of a media badge.

iii. **Security:** All media equipment must be declared and cleared at the Visitors' Pavillion.

5. Change in registration details

In case of any changes to the registration details, please login online to your profile to amend the details yourself at: events.unhabitat.org. In case you encounter problems write to unhabitat-events@un.org.



People at the Praca dos Herois Nacionais, Guinea-Bissau ©Shutterstock

UNON complex and services

A paper smart complex

Participants and delegates are encouraged to bring laptops or iPads and smartphones, as all documents will be made available online.

Access to the complex

The United Nations Office at Nairobi will be the venue for the resumed second session of the UN-Habitat Assembly and third OECPR, located on United Nations Avenue in Gigiri, in the northern part of the City of Nairobi, about 25 kilometers from Jomo Kenyatta Airport. The 140- acre United-Nations Gigiri complex is a peaceful environment, adjacent to the famous Karura Forest, (about 2,000 hectares), a unique public facility under the management of the Kenya Forest Service. Well-demarcated nature trails, jogging lanes and cycling paths provide the best environment for recreational activities, including physical training.

Parking and security at the United Nations Nairobi Complex

Access to the UNON Complex for the period 26 to 30 May 2025 will remain open to all official Embassy vehicles that have been registered with United Nation Department of Safety and Security (UNDSS) and drivers with valid UNON issued IDs.

With respect to non-official vehicles used by delegations, ferrying Ministers/Head of delegation one (1) UN Habitat Assembly specific Decal will be issued for access upon request online. For vehicles, details of the vehicles and drivers must be sent in advance to the Secretariat of the Governing Bodies unhabitat-sgb@un.org with copies to unhabitat-events@un.org with the following information:

- Registration number
- Vehicle type
- Driver name and ID number

Such **vehicle requests** should be made prior to the deadline on 22 May 2025. Embassies are encouraged to use official vehicles with United Nations parking decals.

Parking of these vehicles is restricted to the delegates' parking area. Due to the limited parking facilities within the UNON Complex, it is preferred that Embassy vehicles without diplomatic number plates limit their business within the compound to dropping off and collecting their passengers. Such vehicles should depart the compound immediately upon completion of the drop off.

Vehicles and firearms

The UNON Complex is a weapons-free zone except for Security Officials who have been authorized to carry weapons.

Participants who are accompanied by armed close protection officers into the UNON Complex are requested to send the following information to UNON Security in advance: Full name of each close protection officer, full name and title of each participants being provided with protection, identification or credentials of each protection officer (passport, national ID card, etc.), copy of Government of Kenya firearms permit or temporary import/export firearms permit, the weapon make, model, serial number, calibre, and number of rounds of ammunition.

The information should be sent to the United Nations Security contacts listed below:

Mr. Peter Marshall peter.marshall@un.org

Mr. Jaki Azmi azmij@un.org

Telephone: +254 (0)20 762 6666; +254 (0)720 629 999; and +254 (0)733 629 999

For other delivery requests the various focal points for Habitat Assembly/UNON who will share the cleared list with details to UNON Security.

Banking services

All banking services within the UNON compound can be found on the lower concourse.

Banking services operate as follows:

- The Kenya Commercial Bank (KCB) - weekdays from 08:00 to 16:00.
- Standard Chartered Bank - weekdays from 09:00 to 16:00.
- The United Nations Federal Credit Union (UNFCU) - weekdays from 08:30 to 17:00.

ATMs located on the UNON Complex

As indicated earlier, ATMs are available countrywide with 24-hour access.

Within the UNON Complex, there are four ATMs on the lower concourse: two next to the Kenya Commercial Bank (KCB) for local and United States Dollars currencies, one near the UNFCU (United Nations Federal Credit Union) for United States Dollars currency, and the last one is next to Standard Chartered Bank (opposite the KCB on the lower concourse).

There are also two ATMs (KCB and UNFCU) at the UN Commissary on the northern end of the United Nations Gigiri Complex. Major international cards are accepted, it being understood that credit card fraud occurs in Kenya as in most other parts of the world. The usual precautions should be taken.

Tipping

Tipping is appreciated and common at restaurants and other services. Most hotels and restaurants do include a service charge in their services.

Wi-Fi

Free Wi-Fi facilities will be available in the UNON complex and all meeting rooms. Select the wireless network connection named 'VISITORS' or 'UNHABITAT-ASSEMBLY' to enjoy internet access for information and documentation prepared for the Assembly. However, you are requested to limit the number of personal gadgets you connect to the internet all at the same time. If every participant limits the number of gadgets connected, the internet will be very efficient and enjoyed by all.

Canteen services and restaurants

There are several caterers within the UN compound contracted to provide food and beverages for breakfast, lunches as well as snacks during coffee breaks for staff and visiting participants. These caterers can also organize food and drinks for private functions, dinners, and receptions. The following are the details of the caterers:

UNON main cafeteria

Operated by Safari Park Hotel.

Located next to the compound roundabout.

Tel: +254 718 709 735

Delegates lounge

Between conference room 1 and Kenya Commercial Bank.

It is also located at the United Nations Recreation Centre, close to the main gate of the UNON Compound.

Tel: +254 721 806 292/+254 (0)20 762 22647

Amaica restaurant

Located between the UNON Main Cafeteria and the Commissary Shop around block G.

Tel: +254 743 913 843

Postal/Courier services

The Post Office

The post office, located on the lower concourse, adjacent to the Kenya Commercial Bank, United Nations Gigiri Branch, is open from 09:00 to 17:00 every day except Saturdays and Sundays.

DHL

The courier services are open from 09:00 to 17:00 from Monday to Thursday and from 09:00 to 16:00 on Friday. It is located on the lower concourse, inside the Post Office adjacent to the Kenya Commercial Bank, United Nations Gigiri Branch.

Medical services

Hospitals and clinical facilities

The UNON Joint Medical Service Clinic is located within the UN Complex in Gigiri, Nairobi.

The medical service will be available in case of emergency during the UN-Habitat Assembly meetings. The UNON clinic is located in Block F ground floor behind the UN SACCO Offices.

Meeting delegates can receive necessary care at the UNON Clinic on walk-in basis. The clinic can also be reached using the following telephone numbers:

24hrs Help line/emergency line: +254 724255378
+254 (0)20 7625999

Office hours: +254 (0)20 762 2629, +254 (0)20 762 1267

Email: unon-jms-medical@un.org,
unon-jms-medicalevacuation@un.org

Emergency services are available on 24hr basis while other clinic services can be accessed by meeting delegates during the designated periods for conference meetings within the UN complex.

Several clinical facilities are available in Nairobi for basic and advanced medical care. For any queries on medical facilities, or for emergency medical support, meeting delegates are advised to contact the Joint Medical Service through cell: +254 724 255378 for further assistance.

Below is a list of medical facilities frequently utilized by UN personnel. These facilities are within 10 km from the UN complex in Gigiri:

Name	Location	Contacts
Nairobi Hospital, Warwick Center Branch	Warwick Center, Gigiri, Opposite UN Complex	+254 703 072000
M.P. Shah Hospital, Village Market Branch	Village Market, Gigiri	+254 (0)20 4291500, +254 111 159000
Aga Khan University Hospital	3rd Parklands Avenue, Parklands	+254 20 3662000 or +254 730011888

Travel services

For participants who would like to utilize a travel agent to book flights, reserve a hotel and arrange airport transfers, a travel agency, Hemingways Travel, is available to assist. Inquiries can be made at travel.un@hemingways or call +254 702 633 783.

Participants are responsible for their travel insurance as well as purchasing their own air tickets. Participants are encouraged to purchase air tickets far in advance of the start of the UN-Habitat Assembly to take advantage of special fares and ensure availability of flights. Participants are also responsible, at their own cost, for transport from the airport to the hotels and from the hotels to the venue of the UN-Habitat Assembly.

Airport reception

Participants arriving at the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport in Nairobi will be welcomed by staff from the host country of Kenya and from UN-Habitat staff at the arrival lounges. The welcoming staff will offer assistance for delegates with arrival formalities and information on transport from the airport with private companies.

JKIA telephone numbers:

+254 (0)20 682 2111, + 254 (0)20 661 1000,
+254 (0)20 6612000

For UN-Habitat arrival protocol support, please contact:
Secretary to the Governing Bodies via email to:
unhabitat-sgb@un.org.

Airport transfers

Transport to Nairobi from Jomo Kenyatta International Airport can be arranged prior to arrival through Hemingways Travel Agency at rose.githui@hemingways.com or +254 757 359 647, or through the hotel accommodation if applicable. If participants arrange transport direct from the airport to Nairobi after arrival, payment for airport transport services will be in Kenyan Shillings.

Tours and excursions

Nairobi is one of the most vibrant cities in Africa, and participants can take advantage of local attractions or travel out of town to experience the natural beauty of Kenya. In either case, participants can contact UNON's travel agent, Hemingways Travel for information and to book tours, excursions, safaris, etc. For more information, contact rose.githui@hemingways.co.

Accommodation in Nairobi

Participants are responsible for making their own hotel reservations for their stay in Nairobi. The cost is the responsibility of each participant. If you intend to stay in a hotel, it is advisable to choose accommodation from the recommended list of hotels. While participants are not required to use the hotels on the list, it is important to be vigilant about selecting safe and appropriate accommodation. This includes any information on the accommodation and what safety and emergency procedures are in place.

A list of hotels that have UN-negotiated rates, and have been cleared by the UN Department of Safety and Security can be accessed here: Nairobi Hotel Rates

Medical and travel insurance

Participants attending the Assembly are not covered by insurance for any illness or injury resulting from any situation or action not connected to their participation at the Assembly. All participants are strongly encouraged to have sufficient medical insurance coverage.

Medical and travel Insurance is not provided by the United Nations, and all participants are encouraged to purchase such insurance coverage.

Emergency contact numbers

United Nations Common Radio Room	+254 (0)20 762 2053/2116, +254 707 722 503/505
United Nations Security	+254 (0)20 762 6666, +254 720 629 999, +254 733 629 999
Joint Medical Services	+254 724 255 378, +254 (0)20 762 5999
Kenya Diplomatic Police	+254 708 589522, +254 731 170666
Police of the Republic of Kenya	999, 112
St. Johns Ambulance	+254 721 225 285

Electronic Travel Authorisation (eTA)

It is the participant's own responsibility to obtain a visa for the Republic of Kenya. Participants required to be in possession of a visa are advised to obtain one as early as possible. A valid visa should be obtained in advance from the Kenyan Embassy/High Commission in the participants' country of residence or the nearest Kenya Embassy in the region. The information provided here acts only as guidance.

A valid passport, valid for at least six months from date of arrival and an electronic Travel Authorisation (eTA), is required for entry into Kenya. Information on how to apply is available on the website of the Kenya Electronic Travel Authorisation (eTA) application system.

Participants are warned of the many pseudo sites purporting to offer the service of a Kenya visa and only apply using www.etakenya.go.ke/en.

General Information on the Republic of Kenya

Kenya, officially known as the Republic of Kenya, is located on the Eastern Coast of Africa, and lies on the equator. With the Indian Ocean to its South-East, it is bordered by Tanzania to the South, Uganda to the West, South Sudan to the North- West, Ethiopia to the North and Somalia to the North-East.

The capital, Nairobi, is a regional commercial hub with a population of about 4.8 million. Other major cities include Mombasa, which is the main seaport of the Indian Ocean, and Kisumu on the Lake Victoria front. The economy of the Republic of Kenya has the largest GDP in East and Central Africa.

Time Zone

The Republic of Kenya is in UTC +0300 hours

Official languages

The official language of the Republic of Kenya is English, and the national language is Kiswahili.

Currency

The official currency of the Republic of Kenya is Kenya Shilling (KES). The current exchange rates of various currency subject to change are approximately:

- 1 USD = KES 128
- 1 EURO = KES 141.3
- 1 GBP = KES 167

Foreign currency can be changed at the Jomo Kenyatta Airport, which has 24-hour services. Banks and foreign currency exchange bureaus also offer these services. Banks with ATM services in major centers across the city are open Monday - Friday from 09:00 to 16:00 with some opening from 09:00 to 12:00 on Saturdays. Some ATMs can dispense foreign currency in US dollars. There are some malls that have banks that operate on Sunday and public holidays.

ATM services are available at the airport and are more widely available at designated booth locations in the various malls and selected convenience stores at gas/petrol stations. ATM and banking services are also available on the United Nations Complex (please see below the section on "Access to UNON Complex").

Weather

Participants may wish to take the weather into account and wear appropriate clothing. The Republic of Kenya enjoys a tropical climate with variations in temperatures, altitude, and terrain within its different regions. During the month of May, Nairobi, being about 1680m, experiences temperatures average between 24°C/75°F and during the day and 12°C/54°F during the night with rainfall of about 120 mm.

It is, however, warmer at the coastal areas of the Republic of Kenya including Mombasa, which is hot and humid all year round, but the heat is tempered by the monsoon winds. The Country is too close to the equator to experience a real winter and summer.

Electricity

The electrical currents in the Republic of Kenya are 220 -240 Volts, 50 Hertz. The Country uses the 13A 3 square wall switch socket outlet.

Jomo Kenyatta International Airport

Most international flights to the Country arrive at the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport which is in Nairobi. Specifically, it is in the Embakasi suburb which is 15 kilometers Southeast of Nairobi's central business district and 25 kilometers from the United Nations Office at Nairobi, Gigiri.

Port of entry health requirements

Yellow fever

A yellow fever vaccination certificate is required if you are arriving in the Republic of Kenya from a country with risk of yellow fever transmission. Advice on all vaccinations recommended for visitors to the Country may be obtained from the Kenyan Embassy/High Commission in the country of the participant or on the visa website indicated above.

Travelers arriving from countries listed below are required to possess a valid vaccination certificate for yellow fever : Angola, Argentina, Benin, Plurinational State of Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Columbia, Congo, Cote d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ecuador, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, Gabon, the Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, the Niger, Nigeria, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Rwanda, Senegal, Sierra Leone, the Sudan, Suriname, United Republic of Tanzania, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

Common infectious diseases

Malaria is common throughout the year in many parts of the Country. Nairobi, the Capital City is however considered free of malaria. It is still recommended that participants consult their doctors about malaria prophylaxis when travelling to the Republic of Kenya, including adequate safeguards such as insect repellent and bed nets. Clothing like long trousers and long sleeves that may protect the arms and legs from mosquito bites are advised. You can read more about Malaria here.

Several African countries have recently reported cholera outbreaks. Kenya has noted an increase in reported cholera cases since 2022. Cholera cases have been reported in several regions including Nairobi. You can protect yourself from cholera by practicing essential hygiene measures like handwashing, drinking from safe water sources, thoroughly washing fruits and vegetables, and taking up the cholera vaccine.

Covid-19 vaccination

All travelers arriving in the country are no longer required to show proof of either COVID-19 vaccination or a pre-departure COVID-19 test. Only travelers arriving in Kenya with flu-like symptoms will be required to fill the passenger locator form on the 'Jitenge' platform. They will also be required to take a COVID-19 antigen test upon arrival at their own cost.

Those who turn out positive for antigen test will be required to take a further COVID-19 PCR test at their own cost. Those with severe symptoms shall thereafter be allowed to isolate as per the prevailing isolation requirements for mild, moderate and severe disease.

For travelers arriving from a country that is reporting Marburg Viral Disease temperature screening is done upon arrival at the airport and a traveler surveillance form will be filled to follow up for the period of stay in Kenya.

Additional useful information on general travel health can be obtained from the WHO website: Travel advice (who.int)

Security

The United Nations Offices at Nairobi and Kenyan Authorities are working closely together to ensure that all precautionary measures are taken for UN-Habitat Assembly participant's safety and security. However, participants are personally responsible for their movements outside the United Nations Complex. For your own safety, kindly read and follow these tips:

- Avoid crowded areas.
- When walking, keep to the main roads and avoid shortcuts through back alleys and similar routes. However, where possible, take a taxi rather than walking.
- Never walk at night in the city center even for a short distance – always take a taxi.
- Ignore street children and people coming to you in the streets with hard-luck tales. They may be pickpockets or part of elaborate scam. The best thing to do is just to walk on and ignore them.
- Be wary of people loitering outside hotels. Stay informed: Read/listen to local news.
- Tell someone where you are going and when to expect you back.
- Have emergency numbers registered on your phone.
- Ensure your mobile phone is fully charged (especially when you leave to go to public places) and that you have sufficient credit to make calls.
- Make use of safes in hotel rooms and DO NOT carry large sums of money. Avoid carrying credit cards, wearing expensive jewelry or watches when walking on the streets.
- Do not accept food and drinks from strangers; visitors have been known to be drugged and then robbed.

Cooperate with security staff when they conduct security operations. Carry your identification at all times.



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