



## **10th Technical Committee of the Africa Ministerial Cooperative Conference (TCAMCCO)**

### **Conference General Information**

The ICA-Africa 10<sup>th</sup> Technical Committee of the Africa Ministerial Cooperative Conference (TCAMCCO) is jointly organized by ICA-Africa and its members in Kenya. The conference will be held in **Nairobi - Kenya** from **22<sup>nd</sup> -24<sup>th</sup> May 2023** [Sarova Panafric Hotel](#) will mark the 10th Technical Committee of the Africa Ministerial Cooperative Conference. The first Technical Committee of the Africa Ministerial Cooperative Conference was held in May 2014 in Nairobi, Kenya. Thereafter, ICA - Africa has successfully organized the conference every year, which has had the benefit of monitoring of cooperative development progress from the African countries. The theme of the conference is: ***“Transforming Cooperatives for a Stronger Africa: Building Better Co-operative Identity, Sustaining Cooperation and Reinforcing Institutional Capacity”***.

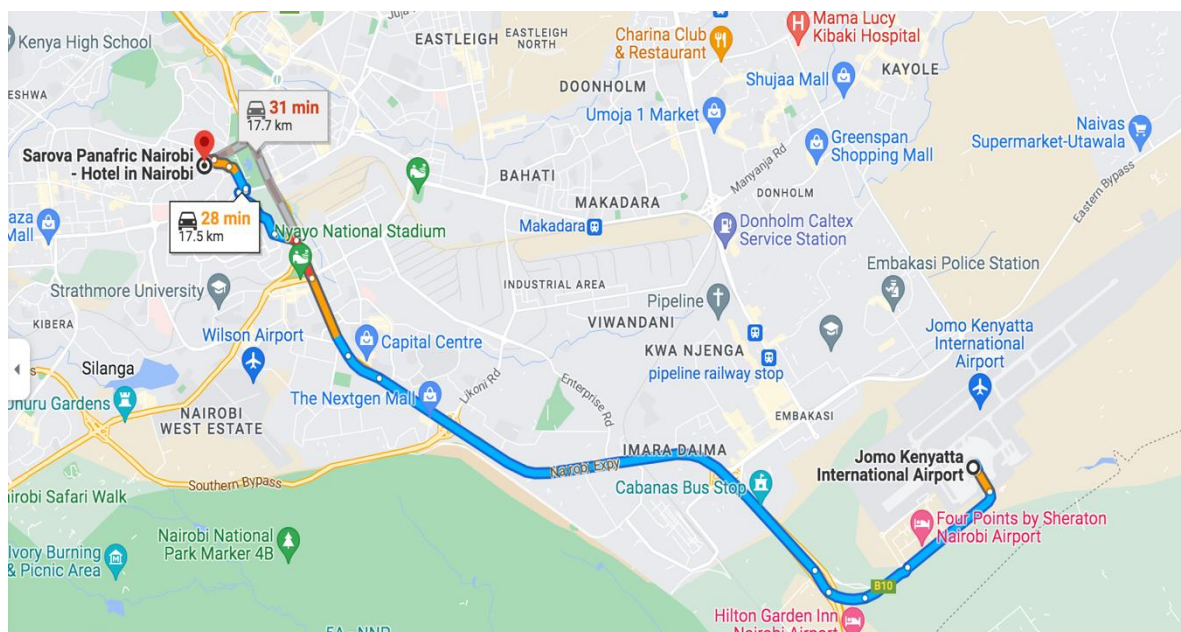
**About Kenya:** Is a country in East Africa, a republic with a democracy representation, a unitary state with a presidential system. Its capital and largest city is Nairobi. Kenya is known for its safaris, diverse climate and geography, and expansive wildlife reserves and national parks such as the East and West Tsavo National Park, the Maasai Mara, Lake Nakuru National Park, and Aberdares National Park. Kenya has several world heritage sites such as Lamu and numerous beaches, including in Diani, Bamburi and Kilifi, where international yachting competitions are held every year.

Kenya’s territory lies on the equator and over lies the East African Rift covering a diverse and expansive terrain that extends roughly from Lake Victoria to Lake Turkana and further south-east to the Indian Ocean. 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. Kenya covers 582,644 km<sup>2</sup> (224,445 sq miles), had a population of approximately 53.7 million (World Bank, 2020) people comprising of 45 different tribes. Kenya has a warm and humid tropical climate on its Indian Ocean coastline, the climate is, however cooler in the savannah grasslands around the capital city, Nairobi, and especially closer to Mount Kenya, which has snow permanently on its peaks. Further inland, in the Nyanza region, the climate is hot and wet climate which becomes humid around Lake Victoria, the largest tropical fresh-water lake

in the world. This gives way to temperate and forested hilly areas in the neighbouring western region. The north-eastern regions along the border with Somalia and Ethiopia are arid and semi-arid areas with near-desert landscapes.

**Venue:** The conference venue will be at Sarova Panafric Hotel in Nairobi the Capital city of Kenya. It's a 4-star hotel whose idyllic location allows for an immersive city experience without compromising on comfort and tranquility. It is 20 minutes away from Jomo Kenyatta International Airport. Book [online](#) or call the reservations desk **Mr. Matthew Gichohi Tel; +2547226206** to assist you with your room reservation.

### Map to Sarova Panafric Hotel from Jomo Kenyatta International Airport:



Map [Link](#):

**Kenyan Visa:** Any foreigner seeking to enter the Republic of Kenya is subject to the following entry requirements: A passport or Travel Document which is valid for not less than six months issued by a State recognized by the Government of the Kenya. All [nationalities eligible for a visa](#) must obtain Kenyan visas to facilitate their entry into the country. Kenya visas may be obtained at Kenya missions abroad or an evisa online within 48 hours: <https://evisa.go.ke/evisa.html>. You may need a yellow fever certificate when entering Kenya from certain destinations.

**COVID-19 Travel Requirements:** Get the on Covid-19 travel requirements from the Kenya Civil Aviation Authority [here](#). This information took effect as from **9<sup>th</sup> September 2022**.

**Languages:** English is the official language while Swahili is the national language and other Bantu, Nilotic and Cushitic languages also spoken. However, the youth in Kenya mostly use a language dubbed “*sheng*” for communication.

**Meals during the conference:** The hotel will provide mid-morning and afternoon tea/coffee, lunch and conference stationery.

**Travel Arrangements:** Jomo Kenyatta International Airport will be the preferred airport for both international and domestic travel and it is approximately 21 kilometres to the conference venue Sarova Panafric Hotel. Participants are expected to meet their airport transfer costs unless it is communicated otherwise.

**Currency:** The Kenyan shilling (KES) is the currency used in Kenya. It is generally quite stable against the US Dollar. US Dollar is most widely accepted currency and the current conversion rates can be found on [here](#) . Conversion of currencies can be done at the airport upon arrival or in Forex Bureaus in the city centre. You are advised to convert some money to Kenya Shillings for miscellaneous purchases since most of shops in Kenya accept Kenya shillings only.

**Kenya’s International Dialing Code:** The International Dialing Code for Kenya is **+254**, followed by the mobile number. Mobile phone service providers have good connections and with valid travel documents you can purchase a local SIM card of your choice.

**Time in Kenya:** It is three hours ahead of **Greenwich Mean Time (GMT+3)**. It doesn't operate daylight saving time, hence there's no time difference between its summer and winter months.

**Electricity in Kenya:** is based on English standards usually supplied at 230Volts, 50Hz. Wall sockets use a 3-pin fused plug, which necessitates the use of travel adapters for people with different specifications.

**Weather:** It’s a bit warm in Nairobi. Find more about the weather forecast during the conference dates. (<https://www.accuweather.com/en/ke/nairobi/224758/may-weather/224758?year=2023>).

**Accommodation options:**

**HOTEL RATES – May 2023**

In reference to the ICA Conference – May 2023, below are the negotiated hotel rates for our clients on Half Board basis (Dinner, Bed & Breakfast).

No	Name of Hotel and Distance from Venue	Details and Contacts	Rates for Half Board (Bed Breakfast and Dinner) Accommodation per Night
1.	Sarova Panafric Hotel  <b>VENUE</b>	<a href="https://www.sarovahotels.com/panafric-nairobi/">https://www.sarovahotels.com/panafric-nairobi/</a>  <b>CONTACT FOR RESERVATIONS;</b>  <b>Mr. Matthew Gichohi</b>  <b>Tel; +25472262061</b>  <b>Email;</b> <b>matthew.gichohi@sarovahotels.com</b>	<b>From USD 125 up to USD 160</b>  <b>(KES 16,000-KES 20,000)</b>  <b>Depending on room preference</b>
2	The Heron Portico  <b>1.5 Kilometres</b>	<a href="http://www.theheronporticohotelnairobi.com/">http://www.theheronporticohotelnairobi.com/</a>  <b>CONTACT FOR RESERVATIONS;</b>  <b>Mr. Welson Nyangaresi</b>  <b>Tel; +254731988800</b>  <b>Email;</b> <b>events@heronhotel.com</b>	<b>From USD 80 up to USD 125</b>  <b>(KES 10,000-KES 16,000)</b>  <b>Depending on room preference</b>

<p><b>3.</b></p>	<p>Swiss Lenana Mount Hotel</p> <p><b>1.2 Kilometres</b></p> <p>Reata Serviced apartments</p> <p><b>1 Kilometre</b></p>	<p><b>CONTACT FOR RESERVATIONS;</b></p> <p><b>Ms. Joyce Njambi</b></p> <p><b>Tel; +254719412121</b></p> <p><b>Email;</b> <b>joyce.swisslenanamo</b> <b>unthotel@gmail.com</b></p>	<p><b>KES 8,500= USD 70</b></p>
<p><b>4</b></p>	<p>Adventist LMS Guest House and Conference Centre</p> <p><b>600 metres</b></p>	<p><b>CONTACT FOR RESERVATIONS;</b></p> <p><b>Mr. Elkanah Mogaka</b></p> <p><b>Tel; +254722102901</b></p> <p><b>Email;</b> <b>info@lmsguesthouse.</b> <b>com</b></p>	<p><b>KES 5,000 = USD 40</b></p>