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TWENTY-THIRD SESSION | 2 to 6 SEPTEMBER 2019

Intercontinental Hotel – Nairobi, Kenya
1. INTRODUCTION

The 23rd Session of the FAO/WHO Codex Coordinating Committee for Africa (FAO/WHOCCAFRICA-23) will be held from September 2nd -6th 2019 in Nairobi, Kenya. Experts and policy makers from 49 African countries will gather in Nairobi (the capital city of Kenya) for the 23rd meeting of the FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for Africa (CCAFRICA-23rd ) to deliberate on Codex food standards of African countries interest and there will be side events that are very educative in the area of food safety and fair food trade.

2. DATE AND VENUE:

The official opening ceremony will take place at 09:30 hrs on 2nd September 2019 at Intercontinental Hotel in Mara Ball Room.

Plenary Session: 2nd to 6th September 2019; 09:30 hrs to 17:00 hrs at Mara Ball Room.

Address of the venue: The Intercontinental Hotel-Nairobi

Intercontinental Hotel is located in Nairobi, Kenya, opposite Uhuru Park and 800 metres from the Kenya National Archives. The Nairobi National Museum is two kilometers away, and Giraffe Manor is 20 kilometers from the hotel. The Inter-Continental Hotel, overlooking the city is 5 Minutes from the City Center and 45 Minutes from Jomo Kenyatta International Airport. Hotel Intercontinental Nairobi is located along Uhuru highway.

Intercontinental Hotel
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Website: www.intercontinental.com/nairobi

Enjoy Club and Suite Rooms with Exclusive Access to the Club Lounge.

3. REGISTRATION:

The participants are invited to pre-register through the Online Registration System (ORS) on the Codex Website. Your Codex Contact Points can access this page at codexalimentarius.org/login.

4. ONSITE REGISTRATION AND IDENTIFICATION BADGES:

Registration of participants will take place at Hotel the Intercontinental Hotel on:

Sunday 1st September 2019: from 16:00–18:00

Monday 2nd September 2019: from 08:00 hrs onward.

Name badges will be distributed at the registration desk outside the plenary room.

Delegates are requested to wear name badges visibly in order to gain admittance to the Hotel and Mara Ball Room.

Name tags must be worn daily.
5. ACCOMMODATION:

• Delegates are reminded that they are responsible for making their own hotel accommodation arrangements. It is highly recommended that you make a hotel reservation as soon as possible. Reservation must be made with the hotels directly.
• A limited number of rooms in Hotel Intercontinental are blocked at special discounted rates for the delegates for CCAFRICA. Reservation will be accepted on a first-come, first served basis. The Special discounted rates will only apply to the reservation made before 15th August 2019. Please mention that you are reserving the room as a delegate of CCAFRICA in the subject of the e-mail.
• Some other hotels near the meeting venue are listed are at (Annex-I).
• Cancelation policies vary from hotel to hotel. Please ask it directly to the hotel you have chosen.

6. ACCESS

A number of domestic and international flights operate from the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport Nairobi. It is situated 45 minutes from Nairobi city centre.

Taxis are available. Also taxis are available from the Airport and can be booked from within the arrival hall.

The transport from and to the airport can also be arranged by the hotel on request.

5. VISA REQUEST:

Participants are advised to contact the consular authorities of Kenya well in advance, in order to allow sufficient time for the processing of visa applications (if necessary). However, Nationals of East African Countries do not require visa for entry in Kenya. Kenya will request the Embassy to issue visas to participants who do not have Kenyan Embassies in their countries.

These delegates can provide their passport details (copies) to the FAO/WHO CCAFRICA Codex Contact Point while registering through the ORS and also email it to CCP-Kenya (akothe@kebs.org) then a personalized invitation letter will be issued by the government of Kenya.

In case of problems with visa applications or if you need a personalized invitation, please contact by e-mail at info@kebs.org/ Alice Onyango (akothe@kebs.org); kimutai maritim (kimutaimaritim@yahoo.co.uk).

6. INTERPRETATION

Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English, French and Portuguese during the meeting.

7. DOCUMENTATION

Delegates are requested to bring their own documents to the meeting. These are available in English and French at www.codexalimentarius.org. Conference Room Documents (CRDs) and additional documents, if any, will be available at the registration desk outside the conference room.

8. Wi-Fi

Free Wi-Fi will be available at the meeting venue.
10. TIME ZONE

The official time in Kenya is East Africa Standard Time (EAT) which is Greenwich Mean Time +3 hours.

11. WEATHER IN SEPTEMBER

- 29°C daytime temperature
- 9 hours of sunshine per day
- 66 mm monthly rainfall
- 25°C sea temperature

12. ELECTRIC POWER SUPPLY

Electric supply in Kenya is at 240 Volts, 50/60 Hz. Kenya follows the 3 pin concept (earthed). However, the 2 pin variants will also work. The new plug points may have a combination of different types of plugs. The ones in some hotel have 2 three-pin plugs (1 small and 1 large). It is advisable to carry universal adapters, should you wish to use appliances of 240 volts.

13. LOCAL CURRENCY

The official currency in Kenya is the Kenya Shillings (KES). The current official exchange rate is 1USD = 96 and varies from time to time.

14. PAYMENTS

Accommodation, meals in restaurants, shopping can be paid in cash, major credit cards and debit cards. Usually, no cash in foreign currency is accepted for payments. ATMs (Automated Teller Machines) are often located outside of the banking offices. A number of them can be found within walking distances from the venue. Master card, VISA, credit and debit cards are acceptable in most hotels, restaurants, and shops. Attendees are advised to ask about additional fees before completing commercial transactions.

15. SMOKING AND PLASTIC BAGS

Smoking is prohibited at public places in Nairobi, Kenya, there are smoking zones. Plastic bags are prohibited in Kenya.

16. LOCATION OF INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL IN NAIROBI

![Map of InterContinental Hotel in Nairobi](image)
## SOME HOTELS NEAR THE VENUE - INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL

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MRS. ALICE ONYANGO
National Codex Contact Point

Helps with various items on the agenda, information to delegates, national registration, ensure that plenary CRDs are compiled & printed, links with Codex Secretariat in Rome for dissemination of information and updates for CCAFRICA-23rd Session preparatory.

DR. KIMUTAI MARITIM

CCAFRICA -23-chair-is in charge of the overall coordination of national committees’ activities.
1. Nairobi National Park Day Game Drives and Bomas of Kenya

Nairobi National Park is a unique for being the only protected park area in the world close to a capital city. The park is located only 7 km from Nairobi city centre. The savannah ecosystem comprises of different vegetation types. Open grass plains with scattered acacia bush are predominant. The western side has a highland dry forest and a permanent river with a riverine forest. To the south are the Athi-Kapiti Plains and Kitengela migration corridor which are important wildlife dispersal areas during the rain season. Man-made dams within the park have added a further habitat, favorable to certain species of birds and other aquatic biome.

Major wildlife attractions are the Black rhino, lion, leopard, cheetah, hyena, buffaloes, Giraffe, zebra, wildebeest, elands and diverse birdlife with over 400 species recorded. Other attractions include the Ivory burning site Monument, Nairobi Safari Walk, the Animal Orphanage and the walking trails. A combination of wildlife game viewing with lunch breaks at the picnic site.

A visit to Bomas of Kenya gives you a perfect blend of what Nairobi has to offer. This tour focuses mainly on Kenya’s rich culture where the 42 different tribes of the country are exhibited through dance, songs and homesteads. At the Bomas of Kenya currently there are thirty seven (37) different traditional dances collected from different tribes of Kenya. The tribal cultural shows start everyday from 2.30pm - 4.00pm and display tribal talent in music, dance, theatre/drama, fashion show, poetry/recitals, comedies, sports and games, exhibitions, seminars, beauty contests and body building.
2. Nairobi City Tour/Giraffe Center and Snake Park – Nairobi Day Tour

Our adventure begins from Nakumatt lifestyle meeting place. As we tour the city, we see the most interesting elements of Nairobi – Parliament buildings, Kenyatta International Conference Center, City market and 1998 US Embassy Bomb blast site in Nairobi.

There will be a brief visit to the Kenya National archives & Watatu Art Gallery. Thereafter, a visit to the Snake Park and National Museum: “the Finest Small Museum in Africa” well known for its spell binding exhibits and displays of early man, tribal regalia.

Nairobi Snake Park sits adjacent to the Nairobi National Museum and is a 10 minute drive from the city. The Nairobi Snake Park was set up in 1961 as a research facility and breeding for reptiles and snakes.

It quickly gained popularity as thousands of visitors flocked into the park to watch the numerous numbers of reptiles. Attractions to Nairobi Snake Park include a wide range of snake species as well as vertebrates such as fish both marine and freshwater, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals, and invertebrates such as the giant snails, baboon spiders, Mombasa train millipede, crayfish, and freshwater prawns.

The giraffe center is a wonderful and refreshing experience undertaken during African Top Treasures Safaris excursion in Nairobi. The tour gives a completely up close and personal interaction where guests have the opportunity to view giraffes as well as feed them. The Giraffe Center is a non-governmental, non-profit making organization, which was founded by Betty and Jock Leslie-Melville in 1979.
3. Nairobi Animal Orphanage, Safari Walk (Kenya Wildlife Service Park), Daphne Sheldrick Elephant Animal Orphanage and a Carnivore Experience

Nairobi is unique for being the only capital city with a wildlife park at its doorstep. Indeed the city boasts of the Nairobi National Park on all except the southern perimeter.

It is easy to spot a rhino wandering peacefully among the whistling thorn with high-rise office buildings in the backdrop. Some of the wildlife is migratory and when vegetation and water are present outside the Park, they move out into Maasai land through the unfenced southern boundary.

There is also a resident population of game and predators so a visit at any time of the year is a rewarding experience. Well laid out, with exceptionally well-maintained roads, the Park is a model for all others, geophysical and administratively. Of the most popular species, only the elephant is an absentee. But the rest of the Big Five: leopard, lion, buffalo and rhino - as well as a multitude of other creatures are all well represented.

Daphne Sheldrick is a world-class conservation figure and the premier authority on the successful raising of milk-dependent infant elephant and rhino orphans. Daphne Sheldrick’s Animal Orphanage can only be visited for an hour every day between 11:00 am and noon. During this hour the baby elephants are brought out to play and to feed, and visitors can watch them from behind a rope. Wardens are on hand to explain the work of the orphanage and to answer any queries.

Famous Rangers Game Restaurant is a high quality Restaurant in the heart of the African bush and bordering the National Park. Enjoy your meal as you view game over the Kisima waterhole. On a good day the Twiga (Swahili for Giraffe), Baboons, Warthogs and many more animals can be seen here. Choose the best of Rangers Restaurant’s salads from this bar every lunch hour. The Oryx terrace is named after the famous Oryx that was adopted by a Lioness living in the Samburu National Reserve, and was rescued by Kenya wildlife Service and brought here.

The Nairobi animal orphanage is about 20 minutes drive from Nairobi’s city centre. This important educational and training facility is housed in the only wildlife protected area in a capital city in the world and is often home to more than 20 different animals and bird species.

Highlights of this tour would include bonding with orphaned animals, up-close viewing of wildlife; up-close interaction and playing with the cheetah. Wildlife here includes Lion, cheetah, hyena and jackal.

Nairobi Safari Walk is a splendid conservation facility designed to enhance visitor’s appreciation of Kenya’s flora and fauna. It is a showcase of Kenya’s vast natural diversity. Nairobi Safari Walk provides visitors with an experience of Kenya’s three eco-systems namely the savannahs, forests and wetlands.
Located 7 Kilometers from Nairobi city, Nairobi Safari Walk gives visitor a clear picture of what to look forward to at the Kenya National Parks. Visitors can walk along the raised boardwalk, through the different habitats and observe from close range the wonderful variety of wildlife in each eco-system.

The raised wood walkways provide souring views out over the shimmering stretches of savannah in the Nairobi National Park with observation points down onto the seasonal river.

The Carnivore is a unique “experience” that has become a standard stop on any safari trail. At the heart of the restaurant is a barbeque pit, where an open flame roasts a wide variety of familiar and exotic meat — Kenya’s finest Molo Lamb marinated in garlic, beef, spare ribs, and every other meat imaginable, including four choices of “wild game”.

An army of carvers wearing zebra striped aprons and straw hats then move from table to table carrying the Masai swords laden with different prime meats deliberately carving unlimited amounts onto the sizzling, cast iron plates in front of each guest. Accompanying the meat feast is a wide selection of salads and vegetable side dishes, and also a variety of exotic sauces made from the Carnivore’s own recipes and stacked on to a double storey-revolving tray in the center of the table. Year after year the Carnivore Restaurant has been voted as one of the top 50 best restaurants in the world.

4. Lake Nakuru National Park & Hells Gate National Park (Day Trip from Nairobi)

Lake Nakuru National Park is situated approximately 100 miles from Nairobi, a two-hour drive from Nairobi city.

The park is a sanctuary of rhinoceros and the Rothschild’s Giraffe and has a large reserve of over 300 species of birds, which make it an ideal site of bird lovers.

The main attraction here include Aberdares, Lake Elementaita, Menengai craters and thousands of Flamingo (Greater and Lesser), 56 different species of mammals, Waterfalls, among others.

Hell’s Gate National Park is a tiny park located between Lake Naivasha, Longonot and Suswa volcanoes and it is an ideal venue for a weekend retreat far from the urban life of Nairobi. The park provides a variety of wildlife, unusual flora and many species of birds and is one of the two only Kenyan Parks where climbing, walking and biking are allowed. Animals seen here include Bushbuck, Dikdik, Gazelle, Gnu, Hartebeest, Impala, Klipspringer, Buffalo, Hyrax, Zebra, Hyena, Jackal, Mongoose, Baboon, Monkey and Porcupine amongst others.
5. White Water Rafting on Tana River (Full Day)

Just 60 Miles from Nairobi, the Tana River offers an exciting day of White-Water thrills (and often spills). The adventure starts with 3 kilometer of easy class II and III white-water rafting, where there is plenty of opportunity to gain and practice the paddle skills required to run the lower part of the river. A 6 kilometer section follows, and now guests have an hour or more to relax, view the abundance of bird life around, cool off with a swim in Tana River which is very warm (around 20° C) or just work on your sun tan.


An evening tour of Nairobi city followed with dinner at the Safari Park Hotel, which offers a dining safari experience while watching the Safari Cats Dancers.

Rare, wild, exotic, captivating, hybrid dance, are among the expressions used when describing the Safari Cats Dancers and Acrobat. It is a kaleidoscope of colour, acrobatics and raw excitement. The music and dance is uniquely themed; Fever dance features a goddess of love from the Egyptian Kingdom who ruled with great power and men were all slaves.

Masai Markets in Nairobi are a great Shopping & Place for seeing Handicrafts of the whole Country. The colorful Masai markets sell mainly tourist fare ranging from wooden sculptures, beaded necklaces, batik wall hangings, shoes, soap stone carvings, sisal bags, kikois, textiles and a whole host of other exciting goods.

You can see ladies making jewellery right in front of you, and it’s easy to find people who are selling their own sculptures or craft items.
OTHER PLACES FOR TOURISTS IN KENYA

Welcome to Kenya and enjoy your stay!