

## INFORMATION SHEET

### MEETING VENUE

The 2019 edition of the Africa Climate Week (ACW) will be held from 18 to 22 March at the:

Accra International Convention Centre (AICC)  
Castle Rd  
Accra, Ghana  
Tel. +233 54 563 4977



### REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS

To register for the ACW 2019, please use the online facility on the official ACW website at: <http://regionalclimateweeks.org/>. A confirmation notification will be issued via e-mail to participants upon approval of the online registration.

Registration on-site will start on Monday, 18 March 2019 from 08:00 to 08:30 a.m. at the venue.

### TRAVEL

Participants are responsible for their own travel bookings to Ghana.

Accra is served by the Kotoka International Airport (KIA), which has both civil and military uses. Located 6 miles (9.7 km) from downtown Accra, KIA is the sole international airport in Ghana.

### VISA REQUIREMENTS

All visitors preparing to enter the Republic of Ghana are responsible for checking visa requirements and must have a valid passport (at least for six months after date of departure).

It is recommended that visa applications from participants are submitted at least one month before initiation of travel.

Applicants from the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) are exempted from acquiring visa. However other countries in Africa are also exempted to from acquiring visa. For the full list, kindly visit the following website: [www.ghanaimmigration.org](http://www.ghanaimmigration.org).

Documentation of yellow fever vaccination is required in Ghana. All travelers will be required to show an **International Certificate of vaccination for yellow fever** at the point of entry.

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## TRANSPORTATION

### Taxi:

Accra has an extensive taxi network and numerous taxi ranks, but most taxis lack a meter system, so price negotiation is required between the passenger and driver. Metered taxis do operate in the city, but tend to be more expensive. Taxis in Ghana are painted in two colors: the four bumpers/fenders are yellow/orange, and the rest of the car is in a color of the operator's choice.

### Tro tros and buses:

By far the most common form of transport in Accra, tro tros (motor vehicles re-purposed for passenger transport) is the third biggest, and second most efficient and cost-effective way of getting around the city. The buses are typically minibuses or vans. Tro tros are typically decorated with flags and stickers of various countries or (local and international) soccer teams, and with witty sayings, wisecracks, local proverbs (in English or local languages) or Bible verses printed on the bus's rear. Tro tros stop at any bus stop or gathering of people, and can also be found at truck and taxi stations, such as the Neoplan station.

## ACCOMMODATION

Participants will be responsible for making their own hotel bookings, contacting directly the hotel of choice.

Participants are also responsible for the payment of their reservations and/or for the settlement of eventual cancellation/no show fee, as applicable, according to the hotels policies.

A comprehensive list of hotels\* (with indicative rates) is included below:

HOTELS ON B/B	CONTACT	Distance from/to the venue	Indicative price in USD
<b>Kempinski Hotel Gold Coast City</b> Ministries, PMB 66, Gamel Abdul Nasser Ave	+233 242436000	1.0 Km	380
<b>Movenpick Ambassador Hotel</b> Independence Ave	+233 302611000 Fax: +233 302611001	2.2 Km	277

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HOTELS ON B/B	CONTACT	Distance from/to the venue	Indicative price in USD
<b>Accra City Hotel</b> Barnes Road	+233 302633863 Fax: 0302667533	2.2 km	178
<b>Alisa Hotels &amp; Conferencing</b> Dr Isert Street, North Ridge	+233 302214233/302214244	2.5 Km	120
<b>Golden Tulip Hotel</b> Liberation road	+233 302213161/0243535355 Fax: +233 302775361	5.5 Km	160
<b>Tang Palace Hotel</b> Borstal Ave Ln	+233 302788889/88/86	5.9 Km	250
<b>Best Western Premier Accra Airport Hotel</b> 17 Quartey PApafio Ave.	+233 302216570/3022957300	6.6 Km	160
<b>Labadi Beach Hotel</b> La Rd	+233 302772520/0547141662/020 5892262 Fax: +233 302772501	7.6 Km	300
<b>Fiesta Royale Hotel</b> 39 Norley Road	+233 302740811 Fax: 0302517556	11.8 Km	180
<b>AH HOTEL AND CONFERENCES</b> 84/86 1 <sup>st</sup> boundary Road <i>(Free transport provided for large groups)</i>	+233 302508199 / 302508186 / 302508344 reservations.ah1@gmail.com	18.1 Km	100

\*Reservations may be subject to rooms availability. Prices may also vary depending on the reservation.

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## HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

With respect to health requirements and precautions to be taken by participants travelling to Ghana, all participants are recommended to consult and seek medical advice from their physicians/doctors and take medical precautions as advised.

The following vaccines are recommended when travelling to Ghana: typhoid, hepatitis A, hepatitis B, cholera, yellow fever, rabies, meningitis, and influenza.

Participants are required to contact either the Ghana diplomatic mission in their countries or to consult a doctor before departing to ensure having gotten the proper vaccinations and immunizations.

You are additionally strongly advised to obtain an international travel and medical insurance to cover the cost of any medical treatment and repatriation during the period of your travel.

Drink or use only boiled or bottled water and well cooked food.

## GENERAL INFORMATION DURING YOUR STAY IN ACCRA

### Currency & accepted forms of payment

The Ghana Cedi is the most used currency in Accra. However, foreign currencies are accepted in certain places. The Dollar (US & Canadian), the Euro, the Pound and some African currencies are also acceptable in certain places.

ATMs are common in large towns and will accept most cards. Credit cards are accepted at many hotels, guesthouses and some shops, but MasterCard is not widely accepted.

Travelers' cheques can be exchanged in large hotels, banks and bureaux de change.

### Language

Ghana is a multilingual country in which about eighty languages are spoken. Of these, English is the official language and lingua franca.

### Weather

The majority of Ghana is a tropical savanna climate, with a small part of the southwest being a monsoon climate.

Average temperatures in Accra vary very little. Considering humidity, temperatures feel hot all year with a very low chance of rain throughout the year. March and April are the hottest months of the year. The warmest time of year is generally mid-March where highs are regularly around 91.1°F (32.8°C) with temperatures rarely dropping below 79°F (26.1°C) at night.

### Communication

**SIM Cards** being used in Ghana are:

MTN, Vodafone and Tigo

These can be bought at the airport, as needed

**Telephone Country Code: +233**

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## Electrical appliances

In Ghana the power plugs and sockets are of type D and G. The standard voltage is 230 V and the standard frequency is 50 Hz.



## Time Zone

Ghana is GMT/UTC + 0 h Standard Time

## INTERESTING PLACES TO VISIT IN GHANA

- The National Theatre in Accra, home of the National Symphony Orchestra Ghana
- The National Museum
- The National Theatre
- The Jamestown area
- Oxford Street
- Makola Market
- Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Park
- W.E.B Du Bois Memorial Center
- The Jubilee House (the office of the Government of Ghana and the President of Ghana)
- The Parliament House of Ghana
- The Ghana-India Kofi Annan Centre of Excellence in ICT
- The Black Star Square
- The Accra Sports Stadium
- The Accra Centre for National Culture
- Artists Alliance Gallery
- The Cathedral of the Holy Spirit

Accra has an Atlantic beachfront and the most popular of the city's beaches is Labadi Beach, along with Kokrobite Beach, which is located 25 kilometres (16 miles) west of Accra. The beachfront area also houses the Academy of African Music and Arts.

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**CONTACTS IN CASE OF EMERGENCY**

- Police Hotline - 091
- Ambulance- 193
- Fire Service - 192/999
- Conference Focal Point: +233 501301374/501301746/242184162/208186958

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