

The Sixth African Higher Education Week and RUFORUM Biennial Conference, 22-26 October 2018

Programme for Members of RUFORUM Technical Committee (TC)

10 October 2018

Background

The Sixth African Higher Education Week and RUFORUM¹ Biennial Conference will be held 22-26 October 2018 in Nairobi, Kenya. The Conference, hosted by the Government of Kenya and Kenya RUFORUM Member universities² will be held at the Kenyatta International Conference Centre (KICC) in Nairobi from 22-26 October, 2018 under the theme “*Aligning African Universities to accelerate attainment of Africa’s Agenda 2063*”. The Conference will bring together 1200 participants from across Africa and beyond. Over 15 governments will be represented by their Ministers responsible for agriculture, education and science and technology. This document is prepared to guide the participation of **Members of RUFORUM Technical Committee (TC)** at the African Higher Education Week. For more information, including the specific program for each event, please contact a.egeru@ruforum.org with copy to f.otto@ruforum.org

FRIDAY 19th October, 2018- Arrival

Members of **RUFORUM Technical Committee (TC)** are expected to arrive on the 19th of October 2018 to attend the RUFORUM Technical Committee (TC). The nearest airport is Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA) about 45 minutes outside Nairobi and the meeting location. Members of **RUFORUM Technical Committee (TC)** will be met at the airport and afforded the necessary transport to **Nairobi Safari Club Hotel**, on Koinange Street, Nairobi, Kenya. Please, contact Nairobi Safari Club Hotel on +254 722 208782 or send your specific requests to r.rukarwa@ruforum.org with a copy to a.egeru@ruforum.org and f.otto@ruforum.org for further details of your full board accommodation reservation.

SATURDAY, 20 October, 2018

09.00	Breakfast
10:30-13:00	RUFORUM Technical Committee Meeting (Venue: Nairobi Safari Club Hotel, Longonot)
13.00-14.00	Lunch at Safari Club
14.00-17.00	RUFORUM Technical Committee Meeting-RUFORUM Outcome evaluation (Venue: Nairobi Safari Club Hotel, Longonot)

SUNDAY, 21 October, 2018 Board and Annual General Meeting

07.00-08.15	Breakfast Meeting
08.30-13.00	SHAEA Side event (Venue: Safari Club Hotel)
13.00-14.00	Lunch (Venue: Nairobi Safari Club Hotel)
14.30 -17.30	SHAEA Side event (Venue: Safari Club Hotel)

¹ *The Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM) is a Network of 85 African Universities spanning 36 African countries in all geographic regions of the African Union. As an African owned institution bringing together Agricultural and Science and Technology universities on the continent the network focuses on improving the contribution of universities to Africa’s development.*

² *Egerton University, Jaramogi Oginga Odinga University of Science and Technology, Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology, Karatina University, Kenyatta University, Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology, Moi University, Pwani university, South Eastern Kenya University, University of Eldoret, University of Nairobi*

- 18.30 Pick up from Nairobi Safari Club Hotel to Intercontinental Hotel
 18.30-21.30 Vice Chancellors and other invited guests Dinner: (**Venue: Intercontinental Hotel**)
 21.30 Pick up back to Nairobi Safari Club Hotel

MONDAY, 22 October, 2018 Board and Annual General Meeting

- 06.00 -07.30 Breakfast
 08.00 Pick up from Nairobi Safari Club Hotel to University of Nairobi (**Walking distance**)
 08.30-12.00 RUFORUM Board Meeting (**Venue: University of Nairobi Towers, Room 405**)
 12.30-13.30 Lunch (**Venue: University of Nairobi**)
 14.00 -17.30 RUFORUM Annual General Meeting (**Venue: University of Nairobi Towers, Chandaria Performing Arts Centre**)
 17.30-21.30 Welcome to Nairobi Cocktail hosted by University of Nairobi (**Venue: Chandaria Performing Arts Centre Lobby, University of Nairobi Towers**)
 21.30 Pick up back to Nairobi Safari Club Hotel (**Walking distance**)

TUESDAY, 23 October, 2018

- 06.00-07.00 Breakfast
 08.00 Pick-up to KICC
 08.30-12.30 **Attend events of interest to a specific TC Member**
 13.00-14.00 Lunch (**Venue: KICC**)
 15.00-17.30 Official Opening Ceremony of the Sixth African Higher Education Week and RUFORUM Biennial Conference (**Venue: TSAVO, Kenyatta International Conference Centre**)
 18.00-21.30 Sponsored Cocktail by Kenyan Universities (**LAWN, Kenyatta International Conference Centre**)
 21.30 Pick up back to Safari Club Hotel

WEDNESDAY, 24 October, 2018

- 06.00-07.30 Breakfast
 07.45 Pick from Nairobi Safari Club Hotel to KICC
 08.30-10.00 **Plenary Session 1. Theme: *Towards Agenda 2063: Catalyzing university role in influencing policy and setting development agenda*** (**Venue: TSAVO, KICC**)
 10.30-13.00 **(Optional Parallel Sessions)**
Parallel Plenary 2: *Converging the power of investment in Higher Education to transform Africa* (**Venue: TSAVO A, KICC**)
Parallel Plenary 3: *Harnessing regional and global partnerships for higher education innovation in Africa.* (**Venue: TSAVO B, KICC**)
Parallel Plenary 4: *Unravelling University, Community and Private Sector Engagement for agricultural transformation in Africa* (**Venue: TSAVO C**)
 13.00-14.00 Lunch at KICC to Serena Hotel
 14.30-17.30 FAO Academia-Parliamentarians side event (VIP Room, Kenyatta International Conference Centre)
 21.30 Pick up from Serena back to Nairobi Safari Club Hotel

THURSDAY, 25 October, 2018

- 06.00-07.30 Breakfast
 07.45 Pick from Nairobi Safari Club Hotel to KICC
 08.30-10.00 **Plenary Session 5 Theme: *Building high level skills to deliver on African Agenda 2063***

- 10.30-13.00 (Venue: TSAVO, KICC)
(Optional Parallel Sessions)
Parallel Plenary 6: *Skilling Africa's youth: the role of TVETS* (Venue: TSAVO A, KICC)
Parallel Plenary 7: *Harnessing the Africa Youth bulge: Innovation, entrepreneurship and agribusiness incubation* (Venue: TSAVO B, KICC)
Parallel Plenary 8: *Increasing the pool of women scientists in Africa* (Venue: TSAVO C, KICC)
- 13.00-14.00 Lunch at KICC
- 14.30-17.30 **Optional events**
Young Innovators side event (Venue: LAICO Hotel)
Parallel Technical Sessions (**see detailed Program**)
Poster and Exhibition Viewing (Venue: KICC)

FRIDAY, 26 October, 2018

- 06.00-07.30 Breakfast
- 07.45 Pick from Safari Club to KICC
- 08.30-10.00 **Plenary Session 9.** Theme: *Moving Africa's development agenda forward: Ingredients for success* (Venue: TSAVO, KICC)
- 10.30-13.00 (Optional Parallel Sessions)
Parallel Plenary 10: Harnessing the digital potential to drive agricultural/Higher education transformation in Africa (Venue: TSAVO A, KICC)
Parallel Plenary 11: Building foresight capacity to guide Africa's development (Venue: TSAVO B, KICC)
Parallel Plenary 12: Strengthening food and nutrition security in Africa (Venue: TSAVO C, KICC)
- 13.00-14.00 Lunch at KICC
- 15.00-17.30 Closing Ceremony & Prize awards for Young Innovators (Venue: TSAVO, KICC)
- 17.30 Pick up from KICC to Safari Park Hotel
- 18.30-21.30 Gala Dinner (Venue: Safari Park Hotel)
- 21.30-22.00 Pick up back to Nairobi Safari club Hotel

SATURDAY, 27 October, 2018 - Departures