

**FORUM AND EXHIBITION TO MARK THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF PAPU
18- 21 JANUARY 2010 - AICC, ARUSHA, TANZANIA**

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PRACTICAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE EVENT

EVENT VENUE

Arusha International Conference Centre (AICC)
East Africa Road, Arusha
Website: www.aicc.co.tz

LANGUAGES

The organizers of the event will provide simultaneous interpretation in English and French at the forum.

REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION DESK

The registration desk will be open at the entrance of Simba Hall, Arusha International Conference Centre (AICC) from 18th to 20th January 2010. A copy of the registration form has been forwarded to you for completion and return to the contact addresses shown at the bottom of the form.

ARUSHA TOWN

Arusha is a city in Northern Tanzania situated below Mount Meru on the Eastern edge of the Eastern branch of the Great Rift Valley. The Arusha region as a whole is a popular tourist destination and is the centre of the Northern Tanzania Safari Circuit. It has a pleasant climate and is close to famous national parks like the Serengeti, Ngorongoro Crater, Lake Manyara, Olduvai Gorge, Tarangire National Park, Mount Kilimanjaro and Arusha National Park, where Mount Meru stands.

Arusha is the capital of the East African Community which comprises five member countries namely; Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda. Arusha also hosts numerous international organizations and meetings at its International Conference Center (AICC).

The city is a major conference hub in the sub-region and its population is cosmopolitan. It is reputed as one of the most pleasant cities in the world, due to its beautiful countryside scenery and lively local music by Tanzanian groups.

Arusha city is relatively safe for visitors. However, it is advisable to take precautions especially during late hours in the night.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation will be provided on arrival and departure. In addition, shuttle buses will run between the recommended list of hotels and the Arusha International Conference Centre (AICC).

a) Flights

Please note that the final destination is Kilimanjaro International Airport (JRO) which is 45 kilometres from Arusha town.

The following international airlines fly to the Julius J.K Nyerere International Airport, Dar es Salaam:-

1. Emirates Airline
2. Kenya Airways
3. Ethiopian Airline
4. KLM
5. Air Malawi
6. South African Airways
7. British Airways
8. Qatar Airways
9. Egypt Air
10. Mozambique Airline
11. Air Zimbabwe
12. Uganda Air
13. Swiss International
14. Zambezi Airlines

The following airlines fly directly to Kilimanjaro International Airport:

1. Kenya Airways/Precision Air
2. Ethiopian Airline
3. KLM

One may reach Arusha from Dar es Salaam by a local flight mainly operated by Precision Airline (PW) and Air Tanzania to either Kilimanjaro International Airport or Arusha Airport. Arusha Airport is a small domestic airport in the West of the city, about 15 minutes drive from the city centre.

Dedicated personnel will be deployed at the Julius J.K Nyerere International Airport, Dar es Salaam, Kilimanjaro International Airport as well as Arusha Airport to assist delegates.

Visa

Appropriate visas would be required by the delegates before entering into Tanzania. The visa form can be downloaded from the following website: www.moha.go.tz

b) Yellow fever vaccination certificate

In order to comply with the International Health Regulations, United Republic of Tanzania requires a valid International Certificate of Vaccination from travelers from countries with infected areas. In addition, certificates are required from those who have been in transit through those areas.

All expenses pertaining to the yellow fever vaccine will be borne by the person entering the United Republic of Tanzania.

These recommendations are based on the World Health Organization (2003) and the Center of Disease Control (2003).

ACCOMMODATION

Hotels

The list of recommended hotels with special rate for participants of the event can be found on the [event webpage](#). Furthermore, the information for bookings to these hotels can be done at respective Websites.

OTHER INFORMATION

i. Program

A copy of the Draft Program of the event is attached, and it will be available on the Ministry of Communications, Science and Technology (MCST), TCRA and PAPU websites from the first week of January 2010.

ii. Weather

Weather in Arusha at that time will be showery but with possibility of dry days temperature ranging between 24 and 28 centigrade

iii. Medical Facilities

Delegates are advised to make their own arrangement on medical facilities. Arusha has some of the best hospital in the country just in case there is a need to consult a surgeon.

iv. Insurance

Insurance for personal accident, medical emergencies, and loss of luggage and currency will be the responsibility of individual delegates.

v. Currency

Business transactions are mainly made in Tanzania shillings, the foreign currency which are easily converted to Tanzania shillings are US\$, Euros and UK Pounds ; Travelers' cheques and Credit Cards (Visa, Master Cards) are also acceptable in some hotels. One US\$ is equivalent to about TShs 1,400 and Euro = TShs 1,900 (December 2009)

MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES

The following services will be available on the premises of the Arusha International Conference Centre:

- Courier Service
- Bank/bureau de change
- Travel agency
- Telecommunications services (internet services, mobile phones)

We welcome all the delegates to Tanzania and wish them an enjoyable stay during the commemoration