



INFORMATION AND LOGISTICAL NOTE:

THE 30TH COLLOQUIUM OF AFRICAN GEOLOGY (CAG 30)

**SEPTEMBER 23-27, 2025
NAIROBI, KENYA**

*Unveiling Africa's Geological Resources,
Forging a Path for Sustainable Development*

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1.

BACKGROUND AND INTRODUCTION

The Geological Society of Kenya (GSK) and the Geological Society of Africa (GSAF) have the honour of welcoming you to The 30th Colloquium of African Geology Conference & Expo to be held from 23rd – 27th September 2025 at Safari Park Hotel in Nairobi, Kenya.

The theme of this Colloquium is *“Unveiling Africa’s Geological Resources: Forging a Path for Sustainable Development”*.

The conference is expected to attract over 1,000 delegates from all over the world including key geological Industry leaders, researchers, financiers, technology experts and academia. The conference shall offer opportunities in exhibition for partnering, networking, and business matching.

Kenya, the host country, boasts an interesting, heterogeneous geology covering some 2.6 billion years of Earth history, with a wide variety of mineral deposits and mineralization profiles, that contribute immensely to the country’s economy.

Furthermore, Kenya’s impressive geomorphic landscapes have great potential for Geo-tourism, while the host City, Nairobi, is a culturally diverse centre for learning and co-existence.



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LOGISTICAL INFORMATION

2.1

Transport:

- The major entry points into Kenya include Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, Namanga Border via Tanzania by road, and Busia Border via Uganda by road.

The most common transport mode

- within Kenya is roads.

Air transport: International air-

- ports- Jomo Kenyatta (Nairobi), Moi (Mombasa), Kisumu and Eldoret

- **Local travel tips:** The preferred transport is Jimcab. For the CAG30 conference, use the following link to access discounted rates for the CAG30 conference, Transport/Taxi/Vehicle Hire Order Request Form - Kenya (Service provider: Jimcab - info@jimcab.co.ke) www.jimcab.co.ke. Alternatively, delegates can use Uber in cities; avoid unmarked taxis.

There will be a customer help desk

- at the Airport's terminal 1A and terminal 1E between 21st and 22nd September 2025.

2.2

Registration and Accreditation

- All participants attending the conference are required to complete online registration by 19th September 2025 through the dedicated <https://registration.cag30nbi.org/publicevents>

On-site registration and accreditation will be done at the Safari Park Hotel outside the Jumbo Hall on 22nd September 2025 and on 23rd September 2025 at the Leopard Room.

JOMO KENYATTA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

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GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT KENYA

3.1

General

The Republic of Kenya is located in the Eastern Africa region. The population is approximately **54 million** people according to UN estimates. Its capital city is **Nairobi** located in the South-central part of the country.

It is famed for its **scenic landscapes** and **vast wildlife preserves**. Its Indian Ocean coast provides some of the **finest beaches in Africa**, predominantly Muslim Swahili cities such as Mombasa, a historic center that has contributed much to the musical and culinary heritage of the country.

3.2

Languages

Kenya is a multi-ethnic State with a variety of languages spoken. English is the official language while Kiswahili is the widely spoken language.

3.3

Climate

Kenya enjoys a tropical climate, that is pleasant, favourable and characterized by plenty of sunshine all year round. In October, the average temperature in the capital Nairobi is 23°C, reaching highs of 26°C and lows of 15°C.

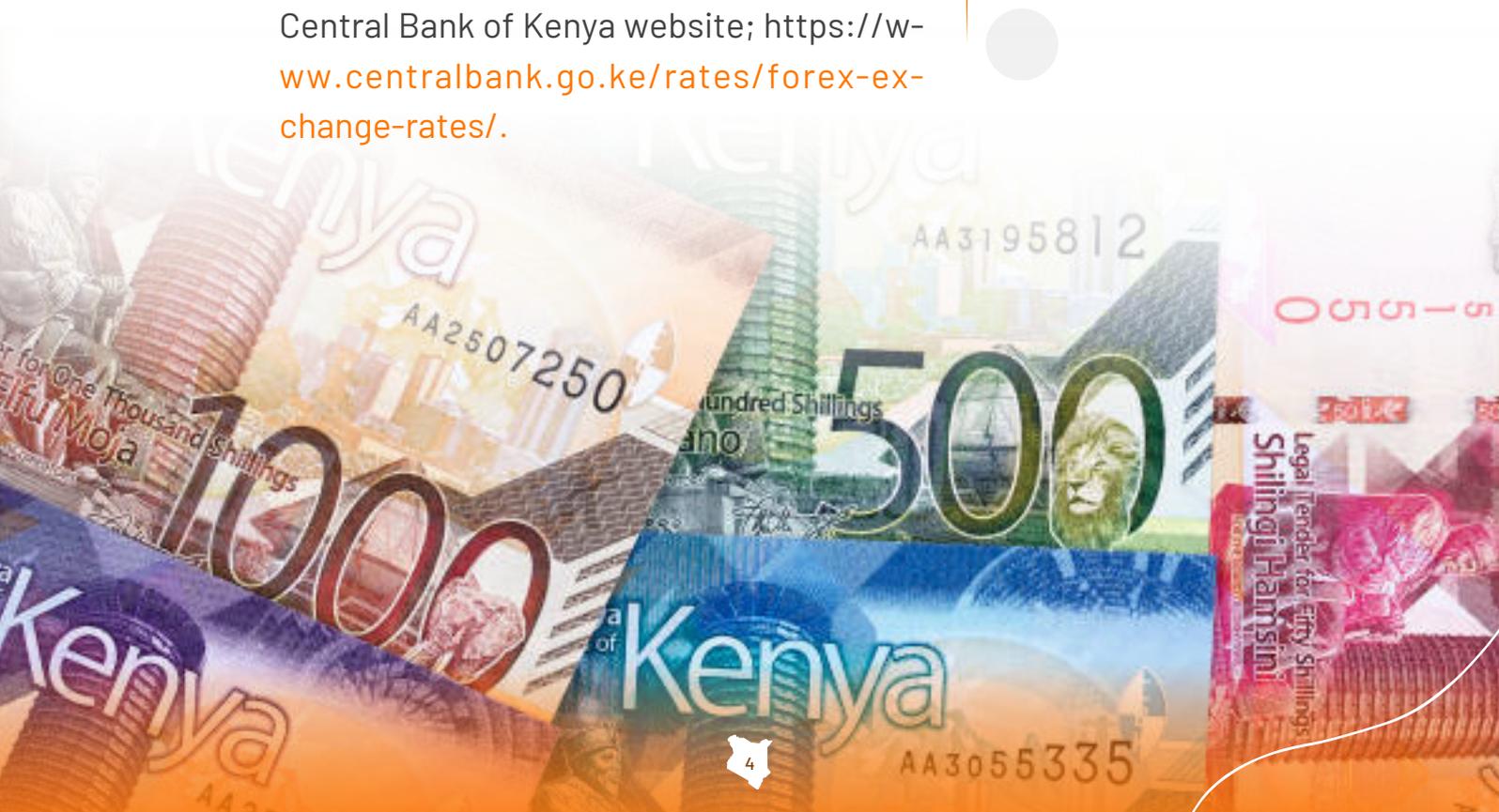


3.4 Banking Services

Business hours are generally from 08:30hrs to 16:00hrs on weekdays and from 08:30hrs to 12:00hrs on Saturdays. The banks remain closed on Sundays and on public holidays. Most banks have Automated Teller Machines (ATMs) accepting various international debit and credit cards.

3.5 Foreign Exchange

Foreign currencies can be exchanged at the banks and Forex Bureaus. The currency of Kenya is the Kenya Shilling (Ksh). It is issued in 1000, 500, 200, 100 and 50 bank notes and 40, 20, 10, 5 and 1 coins. Currency exchange points are available at banks, the airport and at major hotels. Daily prevailing exchange rate of major international currencies can be obtained from the Central Bank of Kenya website; <https://www.centralbank.go.ke/rates/forex-exchange-rates/>.



3.6 Telephone Services

Mobile telephone services are quite efficient in Kenya. Some of the main mobile telephone service providers are: Safaricom, Airtel and Telcom offering voice, data, messaging and mobile money services. The telcos operating in Kenya also provide access to internet coverage using third generation (3G), fourth generation (4G) and fifth generation (5G). Cell phone SIM cards are easily available at the cost of approximately KES. 200. Delegates should note that registration is required for activation. Online payments (Visa, Mastercard, PayPal etc.) are accepted by most establishments in Kenya.

3.7 Time zone

Kenya is within the East Africa Standard Time zone. It is three hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT +3).

3.8 Electricity supply

The standard electrical current used throughout Kenya is between 220-240 volts with a frequency of 50 Hz. The electric plugs and sockets are of the D/G. It is recommended that delegates carry their own adaptors to comply with the electric current and plugs.



3.9 Restaurants and other Hotel Services

African, Western and Oriental cuisines are all available in Nairobi restaurants. When dining in Nairobi, leaving a tip is voluntary and considered courteous.

3.10 Taxi Services

Reliable online and traditional cab/taxi operators are readily available within the city; offering reliable and affordable services. Payment can be made in local currency or using the known global currency. You can download the Uber apps and attach your payment method to begin using the service. Please note that foreign transaction fees may apply based on your payment method. Whereas tipping the taxi driver is customary for good service, it is not mandatory.

3.11 Business and Shopping Hours

Most businesses are generally open from 08:00hrs to 17:00hrs. However, some shopping malls operate 24 hrs. Delegates who wish to shop may seek advice from their hotels on the nearest shopping facilities.



3.12 Tourism

7.12.1 Kenya is a popular tourism destination throughout the year. Tourist attractions range from the white sandy beaches at the coast to scenic landscapes, memorable mountain expeditions and the majestic beauty of a wide variety of flora and fauna.

7.12.2 Nairobi is also the only city in the world that boasts of a National Park within its proximity.

7.12.3 Kindly visit:
<https://ktb.go.ke/sites/default/files/documents/48%20hours%20in%20Nairobi%20brochure.pdf>
for a 48 Hours guide Nairobi; "A short Guide to the Magical City for The Active Traveller".



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CUSTOMS REGULATIONS

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Delegates are required to declare any food items, seeds, plants or any other regulated agricultural products in their possession at the ports of entry.

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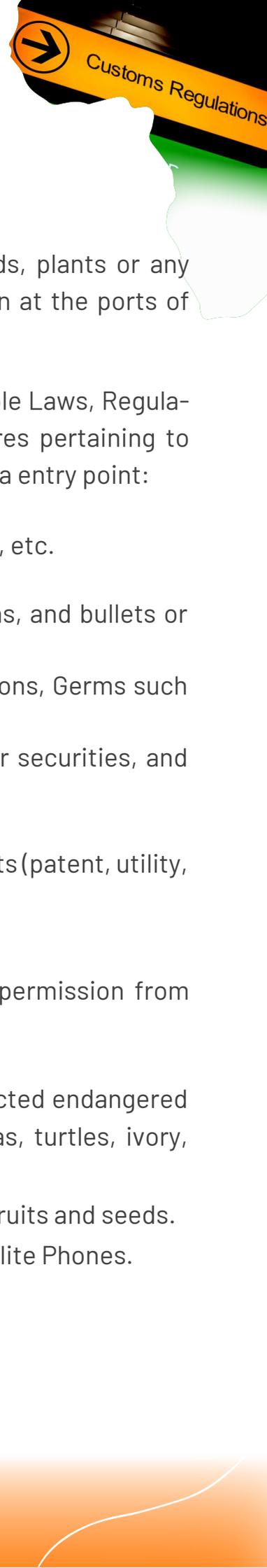
Delegates are also expected to comply with any applicable Laws, Regulations as well as any applicable standards and procedures pertaining to such items. The following items are prohibited at all Kenya entry point:

- Narcotic drugs, Stimulants, Psychotropic substances, etc.
- Drones and Satellite Equipment.
- Firearms such as pistols, revolvers and machine guns, and bullets or parts thereof.
- Explosives, Gunpowder, Materials for chemical weapons, Germs such as anthrax, etc.
- Counterfeit, Altered or Imitated Coins, bank notes or securities, and forged credit cards.
- Obscene or immoral materials and child pornography.
- Articles which infringe upon intellectual property rights (patent, utility, model, design, trademark, copyright etc.)

8.3

The following items are restricted and require import permission from Regulatory Authorities:

- Hunting guns, air guns, swords, internationally protected endangered animals, plants, or their products, Crocodiles, cobras, turtles, ivory, musk and cactus.
- Live animals and plants, meat products, vegetables, fruits and seeds.
- All types of medicine, Professional cameras and Satellite Phones.





8.4

The following are Duty- Free Allowed Items:

- One laptop Computer
- Bottles of alcoholic beverages
- **Cigarettes:** 2 packets (Smoking is prohibited in public areas except designated smoking zones)
- 100ml of perfume

8.5

Temporary Importation

8.5.1

To comply with the import customs regulations of the Government of the Republic of Kenya, participants should declare the following items they may bring with them into the country: laptops (if it is more than one); desktop computer, printer, scanner, video camera, or any other summit equipment.

8.5.2

In order to be assisted with the temporary importation of the above items, the participants should send the detailed specifications of the items to be brought in together with their arrival and departure details to the Secretariat of the protocol and logistics arrangements of the Summit by 13th September, 2025, at the latest. Such items will be registered for temporary import by the customs office and they will be taken out of the country at the end of the Summit.

8.6

Declaration of Goods and Cash

8.6.2

Similarly, cash that exceeds USD 10,000.00 or its equivalent or precious metals weighing above 100 grams should be declared to the customs office at the airport. Declaration of the said items upon arrival will avoid hustle during departure.

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8.7 Help Desk

8.7.1 There will be a help desk at the hotel at Jumbo Conference from 21st September 2025. The CAG30 Secretariat can be reached via call or

8.8 Hotel drop off and pick up

8.8.1 The hotel features three entrances. The direct entrance to the Jumbo conference is Gate 2, which is the recommended access point for delegates. Alternatively, guests can enter through the Main Gate or Gate 3 (Drop off). For parking, please use Gate 1, which provides ample parking space.

Refer to the attached hotel map to help orient yourself.

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8.9 Printing services

For those interested in printing posters for the CAG30 conference, please contact Troon Arts via WhatsApp or call +254 708 819 697."

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HOTEL MAP

