















# THIRD AFRICAN IMPLEMENTATION AND PARTNERSHIP CONFERENCE ON WATER (PANAFCON-3)

26–29 May 2025 Mulungushi International Conference Centre I Lusaka, Zambia

# **LOGISTICAL NOTE FOR DELEGATES**

**Dear Esteemed Delegates** 

We are delighted to welcome you to the Third African Partnership Implementation Conference on Water (PANAFCON-3) from 26 – 29 May 2025 in Lusaka Zambia.

Hosted by the Government of Republic of Zambia through the Ministry of Water Development and Sanitation, PANAFCON-3 is convened jointly by the African Union, the African Ministers' Council on Water (AMCOW) and co-convened by the African Development Bank/Africa Water Facility (AfDB/AWF), United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA) and the Southern African Development Community (SADC).

This pivotal event is organised under the theme "Assuring Inclusive and Climate Resilient Water Security and Sanitation for the Africa We Want." PANAFCON-3 serves as a multistakeholder dialogue platform to review the initial draft of the post-2025 Africa Water Vision and Policy that provides an implementation framework for Agenda 2063.

PANAFCON-3 will bring together over 1500 delegates including African Heads of States and Governments, Minister, international cooperating partners, technocrats, private sector, civil society, academia amongst others to raise the profile of water and sanitation in Africa's ambitions for economic growth and social transformation.

This note provides essential logistical information to facilitate your preparations for PANAFCON-3. We encourage you to familiarise yourselves with this detailed conference note to ensure you are fully prepared for this landmark event.

We look forward to your participation during PANAFCON-3!

PANAFCON-3 Organising Team











#### 1. General Information

• **Conference theme:** Assuring inclusive and climate resilient water security and sanitation for the Africa we want

Website: <a href="https://panafcon3.amcow-online.org/">https://panafcon3.amcow-online.org/</a>

• Dates: 26–30 May 2025

Venue: Mulungushi International Conference Centre (MICC), State Lodge Road, Lusaka

#### 2. Secretariat Contact:

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### 3. Conference Format and Sessions

- Format: Hybrid (in-person strong preference); limited "active" online participation.
- Sessions and exhibitions:
  - To convene a session and or side event including bilateral meeting spaces go to https://panafcon3.amcow-online.org/convene-sessions
  - o To book exhibition space go to <a href="https://panafcon3.amcow-online.org/exhibitors">https://panafcon3.amcow-online.org/exhibitors</a>
- Programme highlights:

26 May	Pre-conference parallel special sessions and side events.
27 May	PANAFCON-3 and Exhibition Official Opening Ceremony, parallel thematic and regional/special sessions
	Optional opening Zambia Night.
28 May	Parallel thematic and regional/special Sessions and closed ministerial sessions,
	State Banquet by invitation only
29 May	Ministerial and high-level sessions, presidential dialogue, closing ceremony Optional Africa Night.
30 May	Self-paying technical and touristic excursions

# 4. PANAFCON-3 Languages

- Working languages: English, French, Portuguese
- Simultaneous interpretation is provided in all three languages.
- Delegations wishing to use other languages must provide interpreters by 12 May 2025

# 5. Registration

- All delegates must register online at <a href="https://panafcon3.amcow-online.org/registration-accreditation">https://panafcon3.amcow-online.org/registration-accreditation</a>
- PANAFCON 3 is a non-paying event with no registration fees charged.
- **Information required**: name, position, delegate type (official/accompanying/press/security), 3×4 photo (passport format), copy of passport biodata page
- Deadline: all delegates are expected to register on or before 23:59 Zambia Time on 12 May 2025











- Accreditation: after registering online, an event ticket will be issued that MUST be presented at accreditation on 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> May 2025 at the Mulungushi International Conference Centre or other designated places that may be officially communicated where a conference badge will be issued.
- All registration must be done on the PANAFCON-3 website.
- Entry to all conference sessions and events will strictly be upon presentation of badge.

#### 6. Media Accreditation

- All members of the press and media must register for accreditation at <a href="https://panafcon3.amcow-online.org/registration-accreditation">https://panafcon3.amcow-online.org/registration-accreditation</a>
- Furthermore, an email should be sent to <a href="mailto:communications@mofaic.gov.zm">communications@mofaic.gov.zm</a> detailing Full name, media outlet, professional ID, equipment list by 12 May 2025.
- Accreditation cards will be issued on 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> May 2025 and access granted as per security zones.

# 7. Visa and entry into Zambia

- **Visa-exempt countries:** please visit <a href="https://www.zambiaimmigration.gov.zm/nationals-who-dont-require-visa/">https://www.zambiaimmigration.gov.zm/nationals-who-dont-require-visa/</a>
- Visa application: Apply via <a href="www.evisa.zambiaimmigration.gov.zm">www.evisa.zambiaimmigration.gov.zm</a>. The e-visa costs US\$25
- Yellow fever: Certificate required for entry if arriving from endemic countries

# 8. Hospitality and Accommodation

- Delegates are to arrange for their own accommodation.
- A list of recommended hotels is available at <a href="https://panafcon3.amcow-online.org/accommodation">https://panafcon3.amcow-online.org/accommodation</a>. The list is non-exhaustive and will be updated regularly.

#### 9. Meals and refreshments:

- As a non-paying event, delegates will be responsible for their own teas and lunches during the conference.
- A food court where delegates can purchase meals, drinks and other refreshments will be available.

# 10. Travel Information

- Airport: Kenneth Kaunda International Airport (LUN)
- **Local transport:** Delegates are advised make own transport arrangement to and from the airport. A list of recommended transport providers will be made available on the website and conference App. On average, a taxi from the airport costs at least \$15 equivalent in Zambia Kwacha.
- Hotel shuttles: please verify with your hotel if shuttle services are available.

# 11. Cultural Events and Networking

- **Zambia Night** on 27 May (invitation only)
- State Banquet: 28 May (invitation only)
- o Africa Night: 29 May

# 12. Medical Services and Emergency

- Please ensure to travel with your chronic medication
- Clinic: A clinic is available on-site at the Mulungushi International Conference Centre.
- **Medical insurance**: Delegates must obtain international medical insurance to cover their travel and period of stay in Zambia. Major hospitals accept Cigna policy.

# • Emergency numbers:

- University Teaching Hospital: +260 211 256 600
- Levy Mwanawasa UTH: +260 211 260 300
- o Maina Soko Military Hospital: +260 211 260 301
- o Zambia Medical Helpline: Dial 991

# 13. Currency, Banking and Communications

- Currency: Zambian Kwacha (ZMW); ~1 USD = 28 ZMW. ATMs are available at banks and shopping malls. All major card are accepted for payment. Do verify if using credit cards
- **Banking hours**: Mon–Fri 08:30–16:00; Sat 08:30–12:30.
- Time zone: GMT+2Dialing code: +260
- Internet: Free Wi-Fi at MICC; business centre services available at hotels.
- **Cell phone Network Provider:** Service providers include Zamtel, MTN and Airtel. Do buy a sim card at the airport

# 14. Climate and Dress Code

- o **May climate**: Dry season; daytime: 18–28 °C; evenings cooler (10–15 °C). check <a href="https://www.accuweather.com/">https://www.accuweather.com/</a> closer to your travel and pack accordingly including warm clothes.
- Dress: Business and smart casual

# 15. Travel Adapter:

• Power plugs and sockets (outlets) of type C, type D and type G are used. The standard voltage is 230 V at a frequency of 50 Hz.



# **Host Government**



# **Convenors**

















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