



Africa Regional Mountains Forum 2018

“African Mountains & Sustainable Development Agenda”

General Information

1. Venue and Accommodation

ARMF2018 will be held in Kigali at Lemigo Hotel, a 4 Star hotel located only 5km from Kigali International Airport.

Address: Lemigo Hotel | Kimirura | KG 624 St, Kigali | Rwanda

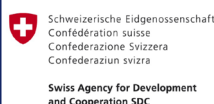
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Website: <http://www.lemigohotel.com/index.html>

All sponsored delegates from outside Rwanda will be accommodated at the venue of the Forum and **Hotel Chez Lando**, otherwise a different communication will be sent to clarify and give details of the alternative accommodation. Self-funded delegates who may need assistance in booking for the accommodation are requested to contact the secretariat (see the contact persons on the last page) for more clarification and guidance.



We are delighted to welcome you to the Africa Regional Mountains Forum 2018 (#ARMF_2018) which will take place on 12th to 14th September 2018 in Kigali, Rwanda, under the main theme “African Mountains and Sustainable Development Agenda”. #ARMF_2018 is organized in joint-collaboration from different partners including: The Ministry of Environment of Rwanda; the Secretariat of the East-African Community, the Albertine Rift Conservation Society (ARCOS Network); the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), the African Office of the UN Environment, Water for Growth (a joint Rwanda-Netherlands Initiative), International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), the Mountain Partnership, and SMD4GC Partners. For more details, visit : http://events.arconetwork.org/ARMF_2018/en



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2. Travel information and Visa

We recommend non-resident delegates to arrive in Kigali on 11th and leave on 14th evening or 15th September 2018 (morning) depending on destination. The organizers will not cover the extra stay. Every participant is requested to share with the secretariat the information about his/her arrival and departure date and time. On arrival, please check a sign with **Africa Regional Mountains Forum, ARCOS** at the airport. ARCOS staff and/or the hotel staff will be waiting to pick you up from the airport to the hotel. This has been arranged for all delegates.

NB: Please note that the organizers will NOT cover any local transport cost (in home country). Participants are expected to meet their local transport and other costs from their home to/from the airport. The organizers will also not cover visa fees. All participants who will need visa to enter in Rwanda are expected to pay the visa fee (USD30) on arrival at Kigali International Airport or at Rwanda Embassy in home country. For more details about visa to enter in Rwanda please visit <https://www.migration.gov.rw/index.php?id=13>

3. Health Insurance

Participants are required to hold valid health insurance. ARCCOS will undertake no responsibility in respect to life, accident, travel, medical or any insurance coverage for the participants. Please, also carry with you your yellow fever vaccination card.

4. DSA

The ARMF2018 organizers will **NOT pay DSA** for participants, only accommodation and meals will be covered for sponsored participants.

6. Exhibitions

On 14th September, 33 Mountain Community Groups from Rwanda, Uganda and Burundi will exhibit the fruit of their good practices in regard to sustainable agriculture and climate resilience.

7. Field trip

A field excursion will be organized on 14th September in morning hours. Three sites have been identified and delegates are invited to select their destination at the registration desk. A simple jacket, good walking shoes and rain coat may be needed for the field visit.

8. Internet Facilities

There is wireless internet at the venue. Please remember to check the power plug type used in your country as it might differ from the one used in Rwanda. In Rwanda the power sockets are of type C and J. The standard voltage is 230V and standard frequency is 50Hz (<https://www.power-plugs-sockets.com/rwanda/>)

General information about Rwanda, country of thousand hills

Rwanda is a landlocked East African country with a green, mountainous landscape (country of thousand hills) located in east-central Africa (<https://www.migration.gov.rw/index.php?id=3>; <http://www.rwandapedia.rw/page/rwanda-country-profile>).

- **Land Area:** 26,338 square Km \ 10,169 square miles
- **Languages:** The three official languages are Kinyarwanda, English and French.
- **Currency:** The Rwandan Franc (1USD=870 Rwf)
- **Weather:** 2 rainy seasons: Mid-February – May (long rainy season), September – November (short rainy season) and 2 dry seasons: December-mid February (short dry season), June-September (long dry season). Please note that the temperature is moderate (24.6 - 27.6°C).
- **Main National Parks:** Akagera National Park and 3 mountainous national parks: Volcanoes National Park, Nyungwe National Parks, and recently gazetted Gishwati-Mukura National Park.



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