



Information Note for participants

Fourteenth Conference on Climate Change and Development in Africa

(CCDA-XIV)

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The fourteenth Conference on Climate Change and Development in Africa will be held at the United Nations Conference Centre in Addis Ababa from 07 to 09 August 2026. The present document contains general information on meeting arrangements that may be helpful for those making travel arrangements and participating in the conference.

In order to keep costs down and protect the environment, this information note will be available in electronic format only. Additional information on the CCDA-XIV is provided on a dedicated web page of the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) (<https://www.uneca.org/eca-events/CCDA-XIV>).

Conference overview

The theme of the conference is “From Pledges to Implementation: The Belem-Antalya- Addis Roadmap”.

The conference will be held from Monday, 07 August, to Wednesday, 09 August, at the United Nations Conference Centre in Addis Ababa, located in the ECA compound.

More information is provided in the draft programme of work, which is available on the aforementioned dedicated ECA website.

Meeting venue

The CCDA-XIV will be held at the United Nations Conference Centre in Addis Ababa. Contact information for the venue is as follows:

Address: United Nations Conference Centre in Addis Ababa, Menelik II Avenue, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
Tel: +251 11 544 5000
Fax: + 251 11 551 4416

Visa and immigration requirements

All meeting participants travelling to Ethiopia must hold a passport that is valid for a minimum period of six months from the date of intended entry and that contains at least two consecutive empty visa pages.

To assist participants in obtaining visas upon their arrival at Addis Ababa Bole International Airport, the secretariat of the Conference must receive the following documents at least 15 working days in advance:

- (a) Copy of passport (must be valid for at least six months beyond the expected date of entry into Ethiopia);
- (b) Flight details (arrival and departure);
- (c) Name of the booked hotel.
- (d) Full name; Nationality

Participants who intend to request a visa upon arrival at Addis Ababa Bole International Airport should carry with them their personal official letter of invitation and a copy of the note verbale listing the conference participants, for presentation to the airline staff at the check-in desk at the airport of departure and to the Ethiopian

immigration authorities upon arrival. The application fee for a single-entry 30-day conference visa is \$52.

For the issuance of journalist visas, the application procedure is the same as described above (see www.evisa.gov.et/information/journalistvisa).

ECA will send a note verbale to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Immigration, Nationality and Vital Events Agency of Ethiopia to facilitate the issuance of visas upon arrival for all confirmed participants. The note verbale will be shared with confirmed participants to support their request for a visa. Participants must submit a copy of their passport as soon as possible to ensure that their names are included in the note verbale.

Sponsored participants should take note that visa fees are already covered in the daily subsistence allowance and will not be reimbursed.

Holders of diplomatic and service passports or a United Nations laissez-passer will receive a free visa upon arrival.

Bank receipts for money exchanged at the airport must be kept securely, as they may be requested by officials at the airport upon departure.

All questions relating to visas should be sent to: eca-protocolservice@un.org.

Airport transfer

Participants should contact their hotel to arrange their transfer from the airport to their hotel.

Hotel accommodation

All participants must contact hotels directly to arrange and confirm their bookings. Special United Nations rates for hotel rooms are available for participants staying at the hotels listed in annex I of the present information note. The deadline for confirming reservations at those hotels is two weeks before the start of the conference. Reservations that have not been confirmed by that deadline will be released. The hotels will then accept accommodation requests only on the basis of room availability. All participants are kindly requested to note that ECA will not be in a position to arrange hotel accommodation if participants fail to make their own arrangements beforehand.

Registration and identification badges

Online registration

Registration is done online through the link to the Indico platform provided in the invitation letter. Participants are encouraged to register well in advance, and no later than Friday, 28 August 2026, to ensure that credentials and that badges can be issued as quickly as possible. The online system makes it easier to log the details required from participants and facilitates logistical preparations.

Badges

Access to the conference venue is restricted, and a valid badge must be presented to gain entry. Conference badges will be issued at the registration counter located at gate 2 of the ECA compound from 07 August 2026.

For security reasons, a valid badge must be worn at all times and be shown to gain access to the conference venue and meeting rooms. Lost badges must be reported immediately at the registration counter.

Facilities and services

Accommodation for persons with disabilities

In the spirit of inclusion contained in the Sustainable Development Goals, the organizers will take measures to make the Conference accessible for persons with disabilities. Participants who require special assistance should send an email to cca-acpc@un.org to enquire about the ways in which the organizers can best support them.

Internet and a paper-smart approach

ECA will adopt a paper-smart organizational approach during the fourteenth Conference on Climate Change and Development in Africa. Participants are strongly encouraged to use electronic media as much as possible, and every effort will be made to reduce the number of documents printed. To help to achieve this objective, high-density wireless connectivity will be made available at the Conference. The Wi-Fi Internet network name and password will be made available in visible locations in the Conference Centre.

Documentation

Given that the conference is a paper-smart event, only electronic versions of conference documents will be made available to participants. All conference documents will be available on the web page dedicated to conference documents (<https://www.uneca.org/eca-events/ccda-xiv/documents>). Those who are attending the event in person are advised to bring their own devices (e.g. laptop computer, tablet or smartphone) to download and view the documents.

Working languages

The working languages of the CCDA-XIV are English and French. Interpretation for all sessions of the conference, will therefore be available in both languages.

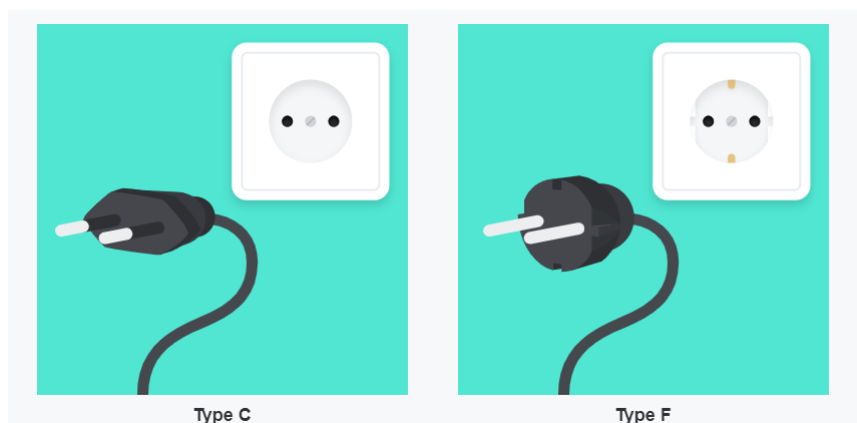
Practical information

Currency

The official currency of Ethiopia is the Ethiopian birr. One United States dollar is equal to approximately 150 birr. Credit and debit cards, such as American Express, Diners Club International, Mastercard and Visa, are accepted in Ethiopia. Automatic teller machines (ATMs) are also available.

Electricity supply and voltage

The electricity supply in Ethiopia is 220 volts with a frequency of 50 Hz and alternating current (AC). Plug types C and F are used, as depicted below.



Mobile phone services

Ethio Telecom and Safaricom are the main mobile phone companies in the country that offer prepaid SIM cards, and they have roaming agreements with partners in many countries. Customers must register their SIM card in order to activate it. Registration can be done at the time of purchase. Customers must present their passport when purchasing a SIM card from authorized vendors. SIM cards and airtime can be purchased at the airport or the conference venue.

Health requirements

Addis Ababa is located at an altitude of 2,400 m above sea level, which may cause altitude sickness in some people. Persons who have experienced altitude sickness in the past should reconsider whether they need to travel to Addis Ababa or consult their physician to obtain appropriate medication for the condition. The risks related to altitude sickness are higher for individuals with multiple health problems (comorbidities) and can result in serious health consequences. Participants should discuss their health issues with their physician before embarking on the trip.

Participants are advised to ensure that their vaccinations are up to date at least four to six weeks before travelling to Ethiopia. Vaccination against yellow fever is required for travellers who have departed from or transited through a country with a risk of yellow fever transmission no more than six days before arriving in Ethiopia. Participants should check the validity of their vaccination card and update it accordingly.

A medical team with an ambulance will be on standby at the United Nations Conference Centre in Addis Ababa to provide first aid, emergency care and stabilization.

The United Nations Health Care Centre, which is located on the premises of the ECA compound, is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. It provides outpatient care and emergency services, including ambulance services, to conference participants throughout the duration of the meeting. The Centre can be reached through the following emergency number, either by calling direct or via WhatsApp: +251 92 990 8433. All services provided at the United Nations Health Care Centre are provided on a fee basis.

Media accreditation

All media representatives will require accreditation from the host Government and the Conference secretariat.

All invited sponsored and self-sponsored media representatives travelling to Ethiopia must register online at <https://indico.un.org/event/1022422/registrations/>. Once their registration is approved by the organizing team, they will receive an official invitation letter to facilitate the visa application process. Media representatives residing in countries without an embassy or consulate of Ethiopia will be advised on the procedures for attendance once their registration has been approved.

Invited media representatives will be required to submit a letter of assignment and one valid form of identification (e.g. a press card, work identification card, driving licence or passport) as proof of their media affiliation to denekews.uneca@un.org. These items should also be presented upon check-in at the media registration desk in Addis Ababa.

A media centre will be set up at the meeting venue to facilitate media coverage of the Conference. More information will be communicated directly to registered media representatives.

Media representatives travelling from outside Ethiopia will be required to fill in an equipment form to facilitate customs clearance. The form will be shared upon request; such requests should be sent to denekews.uneca@un.org.

Media representatives based in Ethiopia may register on site, in which case they will need to present their letter of assignment and passport or other form of identification at the designated media desk at the meeting venue. On-site registration will open on Saturday, 07 August 2026. Participants are advised to contact denekews.uneca@un.org closer to that time for more information on the exact location.

Security advisory

Addis Ababa is a relatively safe city for travellers and conference activities. The Government of Ethiopia will provide security services at the meeting venue and hotels.

Participants and visitors are advised to remain security-conscious, stay alert and vigilant, maintain a low profile, avoid going anywhere alone when possible, avoid going out at night and report any incidents immediately to the security team.

While at the conference venue, participants should adhere to the following guidelines:

- Conference badges should be worn visibly and shown to any authorized person who asks to see them.
- Bags and parcels must not be left unattended, as they may be confiscated and destroyed.
- Unauthorized persons, including children, must not be brought into the conference facilities.
- Participants should take care of their valuables.
- Participants should ensure that they have all their documents and personal items before they leave the conference halls and meeting rooms.
- Participants should inform the Security and Safety Service or an on-duty security officer if they lose anything valuable.

Participants should adhere to the following safety advice in relation to their hotels:

- Guests should always lock the door after entering and leaving their hotel room.
- Guests should inspect their room before they go out to ensure that no money, jewellery, cameras or other valuables are visible. Any such items should be deposited at the reception desk, in return for a receipt, or be left in the safe in the hotel room.
- Any suspicious or unusual activity should be reported to the security personnel immediately.

Emergency contacts

ECA Security Control Centre	+251 11 551 6537 / +251 11 551 2945 +251 11 544 5060 / +251 97 658 5689 +251 96 523 3688
Department of Safety and Security Operations Centre	+251 11 524 2155 / +251 11 524 2059 +251 11 444 4428 / +251 98 689 4397
Addis Ababa Police Commission	991 / +251 11 111 0111
Ethiopian Federal Police	916 / +251 11 552 6302
Addis Ababa Fire and Emergency Prevention and Rescue Agency	939 / +251 11 869 6867 / +251 11 869 6868

About Ethiopia

Ethiopia is an expansive, landlocked country in the Horn of Africa. Its capital city, Addis Ababa, is situated at an altitude of 2,400 m. Ethiopia is a multi-ethnic State in which 83 languages and 200 dialects are spoken. Agriculture is the backbone of the national economy, and the principal exports from this sector include coffee, oil seeds, pulses, flowers, vegetables, sugar and animal feed. About 90 per cent of the population earns a living from the land. There is also a vibrant livestock sector, exports from which include cattle, hides and skins.

The Ethiopian government has announced an official ban on single-use plastic bags, effective from 31 January 2026. The prohibition extends to both the production and the sale of single-use plastic bags.

Information on selected tourist sites in Addis Ababa is provided in annex III.

Climate

Ethiopia has two main seasons. The dry season is from October to May, and the rainy season starts in late June and ends in September. Temperatures vary depending on the season and altitude. At the end of April in Addis Ababa, expect mild to warm days and cool evenings, with daytime highs around 24 degrees Celsius and nighttime lows around 11 degrees Celsius. While April is generally warm, it marks the beginning of the smaller rain season, with about 13–14 days of rain expected throughout the month. With that in mind, participants may wish to bring a light, waterproof jacket.

Time zone

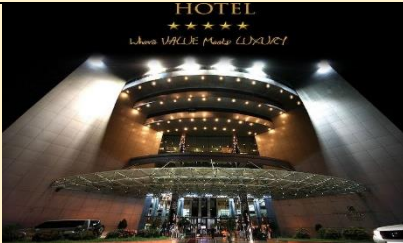
The time zone is GMT+3 all year long.

Annex I

Designated hotels in Addis Ababa

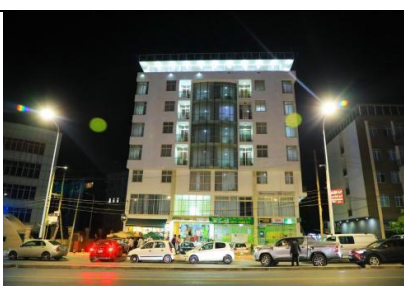
The designated hotels are listed in the table. Participants should contact their preferred hotel directly and make their own reservation.

<i>Hotel</i>	<i>Contact details</i>	<i>Type of room</i>	<i>United Nations rate</i>
	Aphrodite International Hotel Telephone: +251 11 557 2220 Contact: Mr. Adissu +251 91 379 7670 Email: aphroditeinthotel@gmail.com addishotel9@gmail.com Website: www.aphroditeaddis.com	Single standard room	\$60.00 Inclusive of breakfast and all taxes
	Elilly International Hotel Telephone: +251 11 558 7777 +251 11 558 7773 +251 11 558 7770 Fax: +251 11 558 5200 Contact: Ms. Elsabeth Shume +251 91 367 5196 Email: event@elillyhotel.com reservation@elillyhotel.com info@elillyhotel.com Website: www.elillyhotel.com	Standard room (King Size Bed)	\$70.00 Inclusive of breakfast and all taxes
	Friendship International Hotel Telephone: +251 11 667 0202 Contact: Mr. Tesfaye +251 91 169 0911 Email: marketing@friendshiphotel.com.et	Standard room (king) Deluxe room	\$60.00 \$70.00 Inclusive of breakfast and all taxes
	Harmony Hotel Telephone: +251 11 618 3100 Fax: +251 11 618 2910 Contact: Ms. Eyerusalem +251 93 861 6161 / +251 91 386 7778 Email: marketing3@harmonyhotelethiopia.com marketingdirector@harmonyhotelethiopia.com Website: www.harmonyhotelethiopia.com	Sheba queen room	\$60.00 Inclusive of breakfast and all taxes

<i>Hotel</i>	<i>Contact details</i>	<i>Type of room</i>	<i>United Nations rate</i>
	Hilton Hotel Telephone: +251 11 551 8400 +251 11 517 0000 +251 11 551 0064 Fax: +251 11 551 1718 Contact: Mr. Daniel Gelaw Email: reservations.addisababa@hilton.com	Garden wing room (standard) King room	\$120.00 \$132.00 Inclusive of breakfast and all taxes
	Hyatt Regency Hotel Telephone: +251 11 517 1234 +251 91 189 0886 Contact: Ms. Meron Email: addisababa.regency@hyatt.com meron.afework@hyatt.com	Standard room	\$180.00 Plus 26.5% tax, breakfast included
	Inter Luxury Hotel Telephone: +251 11 550 5066 +251 11 518 0444 Fax: +251 11 554 0090 +251 11 554 0096 Contact: Ms. Jacqueline Solomon Email: christie.dawit@interluxuryhotel.com reservation@interluxuryhotel.com Website: https://interluxuryhotel.com/	King deluxe (standard) room	\$80.00 Inclusive of breakfast and all taxes
	Jupiter International Hotel – Kazanchis Telephone: +251 11 552 7333 +251 11 552 6370 Fax: +251 11 552 6418 Contact: Ms. Ayelech +251 91 165 1810 Email: info@jupiterinternationalhotel.com reservations@jupiterinternationalhotel.com Website: www.jupiterinternationalhotel.com	Standard single room Deluxe room Twin room	\$75.00 \$90.00 \$110.00 Inclusive of breakfast and all taxes

<i>Hotel</i>	<i>Contact details</i>	<i>Type of room</i>	<i>United Nations rate</i>
	Churchill Hotel Telephone: +251 11 111 1212 Fax: +251 11 111 8800 Contact Person: Ms. Eyerusalem +251 911 221748 Email : churchillhotelet@gmail.com eendale@gmail.com	Standard room	\$50.00 Inclusive of breakfast and all taxes
	Marriott Executive Apartments Telephone: +251 11 518 4600 Contact: Mr. Biruk Hailu / Ms. Tigist Juneydin Email: reservation.adder@marriott.com Website: www.marriott.com/adder	Single room	\$160.00 Plus 26.5% per cent tax, breakfast included
	Nigist Towers Hotel and Apartments Telephone: +251 11 550 9770 Contact: Yirgat: +251 91 119 5535 Email: info@nigisttowers.com nigisttowers@gmail.com Website: www.nigisttowers.com	Studio One-bedroom suite Two-bedroom suite	\$72.45 \$84.53 \$114.70 Inclusive of all taxes, breakfast not included
	Radisson Blu Hotel Telephone: +251 11 515 7600 +251 11 517 0400 Fax: +251 11 515 7601 Contact: Ms. Elleni +251 92 146 7702 Email: elleni.surafel@radissonblu.com reservations.addisababa@radissonblu.com Website: www.radissonblu.com	Single standard room	\$158.00 Inclusive of breakfast and all taxes
	Ramada Hotel Telephone: +251 11 639 3939 Contact: Ms. Eden +251 98 063 6086 Email: info@ramadaaddis.com eden.melese@ramadaaddi.com Website: www.ramadaaddis.com	Superior room	\$90.00 Inclusive of breakfast and all taxes

<i>Hotel</i>	<i>Contact details</i>	<i>Type of room</i>	<i>United Nations rate</i>
	Saro-Maria Hotel Telephone: +251 11 667 2167 +251 11 667 2168 Fax: +251 11 667 2121 Contact: Mr. Henok +251 91 250 6628 Email: info@saromariahotel.com reservation@saromariahotel.com sales.marketing1@saromariahotel.com Website: www.saromariahotel.com	Single standard room	\$70.00 Inclusive of breakfast and all taxes
	Sheraton Hotel Telephone: +251 11 517 1717 Fax: +251 11 517 2727 Contact: Mr. Getachew Melese/Mr. Begashaw Kassaye Email: reservations.addisethiopia@luxury-collection.com Website: www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/addlc-sheraton-addis-a-luxury-collection-hotel-addis-ababa/overview/	Club room (single) Executive room	\$255.00 \$366.00 Plus 26.5% per cent tax, breakfast included
	Ethiopian Skylight Hotel Telephone: +251 11 667 1090 +251 11 681 8181 +251 11 617 6389 Email: reservation@ethiopianskylighthotel.com ayehug@ethiopianskylighthotel.com Website: www.ethiopianskylighthotel.com	Single room Double room	\$93.00 \$109.00 Plus 26.5% per cent tax, breakfast included
	Grand Palace Suites and Hotel Telephone: +251 93 630 6533 +251 93 630 6533 Contact: Ms. Netsanet Wereku +251 98 062 6262 Email: sales@grandpalaceaddis.com info@grandpalaceaddis.com Website: www.grandpalaceaddis.com	Single standard room Deluxe room	\$63.00 \$70.00 Inclusive of breakfast and all taxes

<i>Hotel</i>	<i>Contact details</i>	<i>Type of room</i>	<i>United Nations rate</i>
	Yebo Hotel and Spa Telephone: +251 96 914 1296 Contact: Natnael Zerom Email: yebonati01@gmail.com Website: https://yebo-hotel-spa.hotels-addisababa.com/en/	Standard Deluxe Twin bed	\$60.00 \$70.00 \$90.00
	Addis Diplomat Hotel Telephone: +251 11 372 9550 +251 11 372 9551 +251 11 372 9552 Contact: Beteslassie Yiheyis Email: addisdiplomat@gmail.com Website: https://diplomatapartment.com	Executive suite Standard suite One-bedroom suite Junior suite Studio suite	\$100.00 \$90.00 \$80.00 \$65.00 \$55.00
	Victoria Guest House Telephone: +251 11 369 2112 Email: info@victoriaguesthouseaddis.net Website: https://victoriaguesthouseaddis.net/	Deluxe Standard Suite Luxury suite Family room	\$86.00 \$60.00 \$103.00 \$127.00 \$153.00
	Ambassador Hotel Telephone: +251 11 618 8284 +251 11 618 8281 Email: reservation@ambassadorhotelethiopia.com	Standard room	\$50.00 Inclusive of breakfast and all taxes
	Capital Hotel and Spa Telephone: +251 11 667 2100 +251 11 619 2000 Fax: +251 11 667 2012 Email: reservation@capitalhotelandspa.com Website: www.capitalhotelandspa.com	Standard room	\$95.00 Inclusive of breakfast and all taxes
	Getfam Hotel and Spa Telephone: +251 11 667 3175 Contact Person: Mr. Biruk Email: reservations@getfamhotel.com Website: www.getfamhotel.com	Standard room (superior queen)	\$75.00 Inclusive of breakfast and all taxes

Note: Hotels within walking distance of the ECA compound are shaded in peach.

Annex II

Selected hospitals in Addis Ababa

<i>Name of hospital</i>	<i>Names of staff members and designation</i>	<i>Telephone number</i>	<i>Specialization</i>
United Nations Health Care Centre	United Nations Health Care Centre emergency hotline Dr. Sonita Panta (Chief Medical Officer) Dr. Eyesusawit Shewangizaw (Deputy Chief Medical Officer) Kelemwork Kejela (Head Nurse) Dr. Biruk Girma (accident and emergency)	+251 92 990 8433 +251 91 150 8218 +251 91 122 1726 +251 91 120 1803 +251 90 403 2929	United Nations clinic
Bethzatha General Hospital	Reception Dr. Zekiyos (Medical Director)	+251 11 552 5996 +251 11 553 5980 +251 11 554 0013s +251 11 552 5997 +251 98 682 4258	General hospital
Hallelujah General Hospital	Reception Liaison officer and coordinator	+251 11 470 4242 +251 11 470 4243 +251 11 470 4244 +251 11 470 4245 +251 94 010 5692	General hospital
St. Gabriel General Hospital	Reception	+251 11 618 7345 +251 11 661 4400 +251 11 618 7359	General hospital
Silk Road General Hospital	Reception Emergency room coordinating nurse Coordinating head nurse (Jerusalem) Coordinator ICU (Dr. Getachew) General Manager (Mr. Ying Zhang)	+251 93 661 0666 +251 96 904 5576 +251 98 470 3771 +251 91 163 3591 +251 92 119 9247 +251 97 099 7788	General hospital

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MCM Comprehensive Specialized Hospital	Reception	+251 11 629 5422 +251 11 629 5423 +251 11 629 4602	General hospital
Landmark General Hospital	Reception	+251 11 552 5463 +251 11 552 5719	General hospital
Nordic Medical Centre	Dr. Kjell Magne Kiplesund	+251 92 910 5653	General hospital
Addis Cardiac Hospital	Reception Dr. Adefris (Medical Director) Dr. Gebeyehu (internist) Dr. Tewodros Fikremariam (cardiologist)	+251 95 234 3434 +251 11 663 4740 +251 11 663 4741 +251 92 208 2065 +251 91 222 4971 +251 91 150 2025	Cardiac and internal medicine
Yanet Internal Medical Center	Reception Dr. Tirusew (Medical Director)	+251 90 377 7755 +251 92 162 5239	Internal medicine
Lancet General Hospital	Dr. Selamawit Zewde Dr. Kidist Amare	+251 91 341 1690 +251 91 270 6178	Internal medicine, surgery, oncology and others
Gesund Cardiac and Medical Center	Reception Dr. Bimrew (internist) Dr. Bekele Dr. Chala Fekadu	+251 11 667 6269 +251 91 041 9215 +251 91 122 8950 +251 91 357 3812	Cardiac and general hospital
International Cardiovascular and Medical Center	Reception Dr. Wubshet Alemayehu (Chief Clinical Officer, General Surgeon) Clinical Coordinator	+251 94 902 0202 +251 11 667 8646 9207 (hotline accessible when dialling from a local Ethiopian phone number) +251 95 345 9655	General hospital
Kadisco General Hospital	Reception	+251 11 629 9802 +251 11 629 9803 +251 11 629 9804	General hospital

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Hemen Maternity Health Center	Reception	+251 11 126 4519	Gynaecology and paediatrics
Danu Orthopaedic Centre	Reception	+251 11 111 9266	Orthopaedics
American Medical Center	Reception Dr. Edlawit	+251 11 667 8004 +251 11 667 8020 +251 94 964 8404 +251 91 131 0874	General medicine
Samaritan Surgical Center	Reception Dr. Samuel (Orthopaedic Surgeon)	+251 94 444 4801 +251 11 668 0009 +251 91 134 7732	Orthopaedics and general surgery
	Dr. Anteneh Kehaiw (Medical Director)	+251 92 072 1776	
Axon Stroke and Spine Center	Dr. Wondwossen Gebreamanuel (Interventional Neurologist)	+251 91 125 0778	Strokes
	Dr. Tariku (anaesthesia and critical care)	+251 96 681 6064	
Teklehaimanot General Hospital	Reception	+251 11 156 1278	General medicine
Ethiopian Red Cross Society	Dr. Eyerusalem (focal point)	+251 91 363 9152	Prehospital and ambulance services
	Dr. Dawit	+251 93 498 5298	
Washington Medical Centre, Bole Rwanda branch	Reception	+251 93 951 5151 +251 93 952 5252	General medicine
	Dr. Melaku (focal point)	+251 91 212 7670	
	Mr. Wudu (administration)	+251 93 601 0882	
	Dr. Fasil (Medical Director)	+251 93 601 0883	

Annex III

Selected tourist attractions in Addis Ababa

<i>Attraction</i>	<i>Description</i>
National Museum of Ethiopia	A centre of history and culture in the capital, the National Museum of Ethiopia charts the ancient legacy not just of Ethiopia but of all humankind. The museum features many archaeological artefacts discovered locally, such as fossil remains and skeletons. It also displays many works of art by Ethiopian artists, alongside ancient relics of some of the first-known hominids and ethnological artefacts from across the centuries.
Holy Trinity Cathedral	Construction of this massive and ornate cathedral began in 1936 and was completed in 1944, during the reign of Emperor Haile Selassie I. It is one of the best-designed churches in Ethiopia and is notable for its architecture, decoration, spaciousness and splendid stained-glass windows. In addition, it is the burial place of Haile Selassie and many other dignitaries. There is also a small museum on the grounds, housing over 140 religious manuscripts, icons, ceremonial items, paintings, umbrellas, crosses and books dating from as far back as the fifteenth century.
Entoto Natural Park	Part of the Beautifying Sheger project, Entoto Natural Park is a highland park that sits nearly 3,000 m above sea level. The large park is spread out across an often sunny but cold and windy mountain and has many high-quality cafés, restaurants, hotels and even a new art museum within its grounds. The brainchild of the Prime Minister of Ethiopia, Abiy Ahmed, Entoto Natural Park is now among the most attractive places in Addis Ababa. Many world-class Ethiopian athletes train in the park.
Unity Park	Unity Park is home to the National Palace, which is a whole world unto itself. There are many things to see and experience in Unity Park, including nature, wildlife, history and architecture. It is a place where visitors can come face to face with more than a century of Ethiopian history.
Science Park	A new addition to the capital, the ultramodern Science Park is a unique building in Addis Ababa, and has become a tourist attraction. Located next to the National Palace and Unity Park, the museum contains 30 interactive exhibits on a wide range of scientific fields. The rooftop viewing platform is an excellent vantage point from which to enjoy the modern skyline of Addis Ababa.
Merkato	“There is nothing that you cannot find in Merkato!” say the locals. And it’s true. Merkato is the biggest open-air market in Africa, where thousands of entrepreneurs and street traders sell every commodity imaginable. Although the stalls and shopfronts may seem unappealing from the outside, transactions worth billions of birr are conducted there every day.