Fourth Africa Climate Talks

Ensuring a just and equitable transition and human security in Africa: building resilience

Maputo, Mozambique, 27-29 July 2022

Information note for participants

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1 For the first session of the Fourth Africa Climate Talks, interpretation will be available in English, French and Portuguese.
The Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) will host the Fourth Africa Climate Talks for the Eastern and Southern Africa regions from 27th to 29th July 2022 at the Radisson blu hotel in Maputo, Mozambique. The event is the first round of the Fourth Africa Climate Talks which are a pre-cursor to the Tenth Conference on Climate Change and Development in Africa.

**Hybrid nature of the meeting**

Owing to the COVID-19 pandemic and restrictions on the size of gatherings, the meeting will adopt a hybrid format.

The present information note provides participants with information about online participation. For participants travelling to Maputo for the Meeting, the note also provides information to help to plan travel and ensure that there is due compliance with all travel protocols, including those relating to COVID-19. Participants are encouraged to carefully read the information herein and have it readily available throughout the duration of the Meeting.

**Event information**

Up-to-date information about the Meeting, including the programme, concept note, presentations and outcome document will be provided on the official websites of the Meeting at [https://tinyurl.com/2p8w96u4](https://tinyurl.com/2p8w96u4).

**Accreditation**

Questions regarding the accreditation procedure should be directed to:

James Murombedzi  
Chief, African Climate Policy Centre  
United Nations Economic Commission for Africa  
Email: eca-acpc@un.org

**Health requirements for travel to Mozambique (as of December 2020)**

*Mozambique travel requirements in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic*

To gain entry into Mozambique passengers will need proof of a full COVID-19 vaccination certificate or a negative PCR test administered in their country of departure within 72 hours prior to arrival in Mozambique. Children under 11 years old are exempt from this requirement.

*Other health requirements*

Those travelling to Mozambique from countries where yellow fever is endemic should be in possession of a valid health certificate attesting to vaccination against yellow fever.
General information on immigration and travel requirements

If you are based outside Maputo and will travel for ACTs!, the host country indicated that all participants must have a visa before arrival. Kindly process your visa in your country’s Mozambique embassy. In addition, ensure you have submitted your passport copy to the secretariat.

Hotel accommodation

Participants requiring hotel accommodation must contact the hotels directly to arrange, confirm and guarantee their bookings. Hotel rooms at special United Nations rates are available for participants staying at the hotel indicated in the annex to the present note. Participants must confirm their hotel reservations no later than three days prior to the start of the Meeting. The rate agreed on with Radisson blu is $120 per night.

Please kindly note that ECA will not be able to arrange hotel accommodation.

Arrival at Maputo International Airport

As part of the online registration process, participants will need to provide the date and time of their arrival in Maputo, including complete flight details, which will be forwarded to the secretariat of the Meeting.

All participants will be met upon arrival at Maputo International Airport by representatives of Radisson blu hotel.

For planning purposes, participants should ensure that they inform the Secretariat by email (eca-acpc@un.org) of any subsequent changes to the date and time of their arrival.

Temporary importation of laptops and other equipment

Customs regulations of the Government of Mozambique allow each participant to bring into the country one laptop computer for use at the Meeting.

Equipment such as professional cameras and cinematography materials require prior approval by the responsible Ministry.

In order to assist with the temporary importation of such items, participants should send the following details to the secretariat of the Meeting between ten (10) and thirteen (13) working days in advance of the Meeting:

(a) Full name of the person carrying the equipment;

(b) Detailed specifications of the items;

(c) A copy of the carrier’s passport data page;
(d) The date and time of arrival and departure.

The items will then be registered with the customs office as items for import prior to, and export following, the Meeting.

**Identification badges**

For those attending in-person, ID badges can be collected starting 27 Jul 2022 at the Radission blu hotel, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day.

For security reasons, participants should always wear their identification badges during meetings and social events at the venue.

Please report any lost badge to the event organizers, so that a replacement can be issued.

**Online participation**

The Meeting will also be accessible online using the Zoom meeting platform. It is recommended that participants use a laptop or a desktop connected to a wired Internet connection to access the meeting platform. Smart devices (e.g., cellphones) may be used but may present limitations for viewing and participation and are prone to quality alterations when using wireless connections.

All registered participants will receive a set of personalized connection details (link, user name and password) to access the virtual meetings. The event links will be opened one (1) hour before the meeting start time. Please try to log in as early as possible to ensure that you are able to connect to the meeting.

Upon clicking the link, participants will be guided on how to join the meeting. It is recommended to start the login process one (1) hour before the beginning of the meeting to address potential technical difficulties.

When you enter the meeting Zoom please type the following in the “Name” field: First Name, Last Name/Organization.

There will be two types of participation in the event: “Panelist” and “Attendee”. The technical setup of the meeting will be controlled by the “Host”, who is a technical expert from the broadcasting support services of the United Nations.

**Instructions for panellists**

- The meeting link will be open one (1) hour before the meeting start time.
- Sign in 30–60 minutes before the start time to ensure that you are ready when the meeting starts.
• Find a quiet space in a room free of distractions and with no or minimal background noise.
• Mute the sound on your mobile phone.
• Panellists will have the option to mute/unmute their microphones and turn on/off their video.
• Panellists should keep their videos on throughout the session.
• Mute your microphone when you are not speaking to eliminate background noise during the session.

During the Q&A sessions

• Some predetermined speakers may be granted “panellist” status, and should use the video and microphone functions only during the Q&A session.
• For predetermined speakers: If given the floor, please turn on your video and microphone before speaking. Please identify yourselves by stating your name and organization.
• Before taking the floor, find a quiet space in a room free from distractions, with no or minimal background noise, and mute the sound on your mobile phone.
• Keep your questions or remarks focused and concise so that others will also get an opportunity to speak.

Instructions for attendees

• The meeting link will be open one (1) hour before the meeting start time. Sign in 30–60 minutes before the start time to ensure that you are ready when the meeting starts.
• You will enter the meeting with the microphone and video off by default. You will not be able to modify those settings.

During the Q&A session

• You will able to ask a question through the chat function by clicking on the chat button. Select “ALL PANELLISTS” from the drop-down menu when sending a question. The moderators will read the questions and request the appropriate panellist to respond. Therefore, if you would like to address your question to a particular panellist, kindly indicate which one in your question, and also provide your name and institution.
• The organizer and the moderators will try to address as many questions as possible on a first-come first-served basis. However, it may not be possible to address all the questions posed owing to meeting time limits.
• Please respect the views expressed by others during the meeting, even if you do not agree with them. Kindly keep all interactions cordial and professional, including when asking questions through the chat function.
Technical troubleshooting

If you have a problem with the connection, send an email to eca-servicedesk@un.org with reference to the Zoom event number, along with your phone number. A service desk technician will contact you in due course to provide assistance.

Meeting documentation

All participants attending in person are strongly encouraged to bring their own laptops or iPads with them.

To reduce the environmental impact generated by the use of paper, participants are encouraged to rely on digital versions of Meeting documents. All unrestricted, official documents and statements related to the Meeting will be available in the three languages (English, French and Portugues) on the event website.

Transportation

Staff from Radisson blu hotel will be at the International Airport to assist participants upon arrival and to facilitate their hotel transfer. Participants will also be provided with for transport to the International Airport for departure from Maputo.

If you stay at a different hotel, note that you will be responsible for daily transportation to and from the venue.

Catering facilities

Morning and afternoon refreshments, as well as lunch, will be provided at the Meeting venue.

Electricity, power plugs and sockets in Mozambique

In Mozambique the standard voltage is 220 V and the standard frequency is 50 Hz. The power plugs and sockets are of type C, F and M. Check out the following pictures.

- Type C: also known as the standard "Euro" plug. This socket also works with plug E and plug F.
- Type F: also known as "Schuko". This socket also works with plug C and plug E.
- Type M: looks like plug D, but with larger pins. This socket only works with plug M.
General information about Mozambique

Geography

Mozambique consists mostly of coastal lowlands with uplands in its center and high plateaus in the northwest. There are also mountains in the western portion. The country is located on the east coast of southern Africa, directly west of the island of Madagascar.

Climate

Mozambique has a tropical climate with two seasons, a wet season from October to March and a dry season from April to September. Average temperature ranges in Maputo are from 13 to 24 °C in July.

Currency (Mozambiquen metical)

The metical is the currency of Mozambique, abbreviated with the symbol MZN or MT. It is nominally divided into 100 centavos. The name metical comes from Arabic unit of weight and an alternative name for the gold dinar coin that was used throughout much of Africa until the 19th century.
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