



INFORMATION NOTE

9th Africa Water Week

Placing Water and Sanitation at the Heart of Achieving
Agenda 2063: The Africa We Want

13 - 17 October 2024

Cairo, Egypt

Prepared by

Africa Water Week Organising Team



WELCOME



Dear Esteemed Participants, we look forward to seeing you at the 9th Africa Water Week in Cairo, Egypt, from 13 – 18 October 2024.

This year's edition of the Africa Water Week will be held alongside the Cairo Water Week and is hosted by the government of Egypt through the Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation.

The Conference brings together stakeholders, including - political leaders, government technocrats, development partners, the private sector, civil society, academic and learning institutions, non-governmental organisations, and the media, to take stock of progress made in the sector and prescribe solutions for areas requiring additional attention.

Less than two years before the end of the Africa Water Vision 2025, the 9th Africa Water Week aims to evaluate progress in implementing the vision, consolidate the gains and document critical points for broader stakeholder engagement. Hinged on the 2024 Water Sector and Sanitation Monitoring and Reporting (WASSMO) report, consultations will constitute proposals for the post-2025 Africa Water Vision and policy.

To ensure you are adequately prepared for the week, please acquaint yourself with the following detailed information in the conference note.

Thank you,

Conference Organising Team

Travel Overview

1. General information

- The conference theme – Placing Water and Sanitation at the Heart of Achieving Agenda 2063: the Africa We Want”
- Conference overarching objective – The 9th Africa Water Week aims to determine progress achieved in implementing the Africa Water Vision 2025, consolidate the gains and derive lessons for developing the post-2025 water and sanitation agenda.
- For more information, visit the conference website here:
<https://africawaterweek.amcow-online.org>

2. Conference venue and contact

- The conference will take place at Triumph Hotels, Cairo Egypt.
- Should you wish to cargo publication materials to the conference venue, contact the hotel focal point Mr Bahaa Ismail on this email: Bahaa.Ismail@triumphhotel.com or call Mobile: +20 100 704 0415.

3. Registration and payment information:

a.Registration:

- Participants can [register here](#) through the official conference website.
- Registration fee is USD 280 available till 10 October. Participants can register online as individuals or group of above 5 persons. Group registration entitles members to a discounted conference fee of 200 USD per person. The available payment method is bank transfers.
- Intended participants are encouraged to register and pay the required fee before traveling for the conference to allow timely processing of conference materials including badges, meals etc.
- On-site registration is available and only cash payment is accepted either in USD or Egyptian Pounds..
For registration related inquiries, please email Ms Genevieve Osuorji on gosuorji@amcow-online.org and Engr Neveen George on neveengeorge100@gmail.com



a.Payment

Payment is made to two different accounts for the following:

1. Conference registration: this is paid via bank transfer to Cairo Water Week account
2. Session fee: payment for convening a session is paid to AMCOW account. Partners convening session under Africa Water Week will receive an invoice with account details for payment.

Note that the account for payment of conference registration fee and session convening are different.

4. Accommodation

- Recommended accommodation are available at discounted rates and accessible here: <https://africawaterweek.amcow-online.org/recommended-hotels>.

However, participants are at liberty to book accommodation outside these recommended hotels.

5. Travel, Visa Health Insurance and Ground Transportation:

- Travel: The gateway to Cairo is the Cairo International Airport. It is the largest and busiest airport in Egypt.
- The distance from the airport to the conference venue, Triumph Hotel is 30 minutes away from the conference venue.

6. Visas

- Upon registration via the conference website, participants will be able to download an invitation letter to support visa application.
- Visa application can be made to the Egyptian embassy in-country in record time to guarantee visa approval.
- To check Egyptian visa requirements, contact Egyptian Embassy in your country or visit: <https://www.egyptembassy.org/travel/visa-requirements/>
- Prospective conference participants without Egypt Embassy in their countries should email the following information to Ms Genevieve Osuorji gosuorji@amcow-online.org for visa support.

1. Country:
2. Last Name:
3. First Name:
4. Date of Birth:
5. Passport Number:
6. Passport Issue Date:
7. Passport Expiry Date:
8. Passport Issue Date:
9. Passport Issued By:
10. Job Title:
11. Email:
12. Gender:
13. Organization:

7. Health Insurance

All conference attendees are strongly encouraged to obtain travel insurance to cover their health in the unlikely event of sudden illnesses or accidents.

8. Ground Transportation

Commercial taxis are available and

- accessible in Cairo.
- Conference attendees are encouraged to seek guidance on safe methods of transport from their hotels.

9. Meals and Refreshments:

- a. Two tea breaks, one lunch and still water will be provided during the conference.
- b. Dietary options will be considered when preparing the meals.

10. Badges and Name Tags:

- Name tags will be available for collection at the conference venue on 11 October from 9 – 6 pm
- For information on badge pick, contact Ms Genevieve Osuorji on gosuorji@amcow-online.org

11. Technical Support:

- Simultaneous interpretation will be available in English and French
- Conference ushers will be available to prepare meeting rooms prior to the start of each session. They will also be positioned at strategic locations to direct attendees properly during the conference.
- An information desk will be available at the conference venue to support participants.
- For matters related to conference sessions, contact Mr Oseloka Zikora on AWW-coord@amcow-online.org.

12. Weather, Currency and Adapter:

- **Weather**
 1. Weather during the conference days will be nicely sunny with highest temperature of 25.8° and lowest minimum temperature of 21.4°. Precipitation total in this month: 0 mm.
 2. However, we recommend traveling with warm clothing in case of changes in weather patterns.
- **Currency**
 1. Egypt's Currency is called the Egyptian Pounds. It is only used in Egypt, and is completely different from the "Pounds" used in the United Kingdom.
 2. As of 6th October 2024, BANQUE MISR'S rate 1USD = 48.28 Egyptian Pounds.

In Egypt, there are three options to exchange money: at the airport, at exchange offices, and by pulling money direction from an ATM.

- **Socket and Adapter**

1. Egypt has a 220V / 50Hz electrical system, with two plug types: Plug type C and plug type F. Plug type C has two round pins, while plug type F has two round pins and two earth clips on the side.
2. Participants are encouraged to travel with a universal adapter to be better prepared for worst case scenarios



13. Post-Conference Resources:

- conference resources will be available on the conference website and shared with all participants as well.
- For information on post conference materials contact Mr Obinna Anah on onoanah@amcow-online.org and Mr Oseloka Zikora on AWW-coord@amcow-online.org

The 9th Africa Water Week organised alongside the 7th Cairo Water Week expects over 3,000 participants from Africa and around the world. Over 60 technical sessions demonstrating real-life projects with proven results in the water sector will be available and accessible to all participants. Exhibitors showcasing products and resources will attend. Participants will have a unique opportunity to learn and share lessons, network, engage, and build lasting relationships. Above all, participants will contribute to the situation assessment for the post-2025 Africa water vision and policy, enhancing sustainable development towards achieving the African Union Agenda 2063

As we look forward to a successful conference, we encourage participants to channel any concerns to this 9th Africa Water Week Team at 9aww@amcow-online.org with copy to Oseloka Zikora AWW-coord@amcow-online.org





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