# UbuntuNet Stress CONNECT

#### Maximizing Technological Advancements in Research and Education

31 October to 1st November 2024. Dar es Salaam Tanzania

# **INFO-PACK**

All you need to know about your stay in Dar es Salaam Tanzania

In order to ensure that you have a smooth experience at the UbuntuNet-Connect 2024 conference, we have compiled this document to aid your understanding of what to expect while in the host country. This info pack will shed light on a number of vital elements that range from international diplomatic relations with other countries to internal security concerns for both local and visiting participants.

The details provided in this document are solely meant for travelers coming to Tanzania especially for the UbuntuNet-Connect Conference happening on 31st October and 1st November 2024. Neither TERNET, UbuntuNet Alliance nor the organizing committee of the conference will be held responsible for anyone who uses this information for any other reasons besides attending the Conference on the scheduled dates.

For further information regarding any aspect of the info pack provided in this document, a list of contacts has been provided at the end of this document for the sole purpose of assisting any of our participants on matters regarding any information about the conference.

More details with respect to visa applications can be sought from the respective participant's home diplomatic mission to Tanzania or consulate or online via the web links provided in this document.

All inquiries regarding any other restrictions, security concerns, processes or requirements with respect to traveling to Tanzania should be addressed to TERNET and UbuntuNet Alliance staff whose contacts have been provided in this document.



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## **Travel Regulations and Requirements**

### **VISA Applications**

All persons intending to travel to Tanzania for holiday, tourism, business, study, visit, and/or medical are required to apply and obtain a visa online. Applications should be filled out at the following link. The application should be made at the earliest possible since the application undergoes a series of reviews from the immigration officers before being accepted.

#### COUNTRIES THAT ARE VISA EXEMPT;

#### **Passports**

All individuals intending to travel to Tanzania will need passports to enable their entry. The passport should be valid for a minimum period of 6 months from the date of entry into Tanzania



#### Currencies

The local currency used in Tanzania is the 'Tanzania Shilling'. However, a number of International currencies are acceptable, especially in well-established businesses. These currencies are the US Dollar, The British Pound and the Euro. Other currencies can be exchanged at dedicated forex bureaux within the country. The exchange rates are solely determined by the Forex Bureau and may change without any warning.

#### **Card Transactions**

MasterCard and VISA cards are acceptable for travellers using cashless methods, especially in established hotels, supermarkets, and shops.

#### **Local Taxi Services**



Two Local service firms in Tanzania are widely used and recognized, these are Uber and Bolt. These are operated via an App installed on one's phone both Android and IOS operating systems. Use the links to download <u>Bolt</u> and <u>Uber</u>

#### **Tour guides and travels**

A number of tourist destinations exist in Tanzania. Individuals intending to take time and tour the country can find the details on one of Tanzania's oldest travel companies, <u>Tanzania Travel Company</u> to book a slot.

All travelers are advised to carry a type G adapter for seamless use of their personal electrical appliances. See the image below.



# Weather

Generally, October in Tanzania is a relatively cool, clear and sunny month. Day time temperatures will be mild, and evenings and early mornings will be comfortably cool. The average temperature is ranging from 26.20C (790F) to 31.30C (88.4 OF). To find more about the weatherforecasts, please use <u>BBC Weather</u> or the <u>Tanzania Meteorological Authority</u>.

It's important to note that the <u>Tanzania</u> <u>Meteorological Authority</u> (TMA) offers a quarterly forecast, and regular updates which are uploaded to the site after a given interval. It is therefore vital to keep checking the site and different verified social media channels of Tanzania's media houses for more on the climate and weather updates.

# **Health and Safety**

#### Hospitals, Pharmacies and General Clinics

Medical facilities can be accessed all around the Conference venue from established medical centres such as MHS-Massana Hospital and College (15 min - 7.1 km) via White Sands Road and Bagamoyo Rd), Lugalo Hospital (21 min - 9.7 km via Bagamoyo Rd). Other nearby conference venue hospitals include Muhimbili National Hospital and Rabininsia Memorial Hospital.

A number of pharmacies for general prescriptions are established within Dar es Salaam near the Conference venue. However, a few of them offer delivery services. These include KV Pharmacy, Nakiete Pharmacy, Omio Pharmacy and Kemil Pharmacy which can be accessed through the websites/social media pages below;

<u>Nakiete Pharmacy</u>f <u>Omio Pharmacy</u> <u>Kemil Pharmacy</u>

#### **Police Stations**

Local police stations are established in various locations to ensure accessibility to law enforcers in cases of emergency. The <u>coordinates</u> to the nearest police station from the UbuntuNet Connect 2024 Conference venue.

#### **Emergency Contacts**

A number of avenues are in place in regards to contacting police and other state security bodies in case of emergency. More of these can be accessed on the <u>Police Force Tanzania</u>.

# **Medical Requirements**

#### **Yellow Fever Vaccine**

The Government of Tanzania through the Ministry of Health is committed to protecting the population from the risk of importing or further spreading the Yellow Fever virus by establishing entry and exit requirements on Yellow Fever Vaccination for travelers.

Proof of vaccination is often required for travelers arriving from countries with a risk of Yellow Fever transmission and sometimes for travelers in transit through such countries.

Accordingly, in line with International Health Regulations, Tanzania abides by World Health Assembly resolutions on the requirement for Yellow Fever vaccination for travelers thus;

- 1.A Yellow Fever vaccination certificate is a requirement for persons travelling from endemic countries to Yellow Fever free countries.
- 2. It is not a requirement for travelers to receive booster doses after the one-time vaccination which gives lifelong protection.

#### Covid-19

You are not required to present proof of vaccination against COVID-19 or a negative result. Find out more <u>here</u>.

## **General Information**

#### **Mobile and internet**

Tanzania currently has four popular telecom companies that offer mobile services within and outside the Country. These are Vodacom, Airtel Tanzania, Tigo Tanzania and Halotel. However, a wide range of internet service providers exist inthe country.



All UbuntuNet Connect Conference guests in the country will be connected to eduroam, a trusted and secure SSID operated by TERNET while at the conference venue.

#### **TERNET Offices**

Visit the host of the 2024 UbuntuNet Connect Conference in Tanzania at their home and officesat University Of Dar Es Salaam (UDSM), Kilimahewa Road, House No 2 or <u>visit the website</u>. Finds the coordinates here

#### Restaurants

Restaurants serving both local and international dishes are scattered all over the country from Dar es Salaam to the outskirts of the main business cities. Find a comprehensive list of restaurants on <u>TripAdvisor</u>.

#### Accommodation

A list of alternatives and discount codes has been compiled and can be accessed <u>here</u>.

#### **Consulates and Embassies**

Tanzania has a number of embassies and consulates from various countries within and outside of Africa. A comprehensive list of these embassies and consulates can be accessed on the site <u>Diplomatic-Missions-Tanzania</u>,

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Want to know about the host country for the 2024 UbuntuNet Connect Conference? Check out the video <u>here</u>.

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