THE 6TH AFRICAN ORGANIC CONFERENCE
LUSAKA, ZAMBIA

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International Participant Readiness Guide



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1. Welcome and Conference Overview

We are excited to welcome you to Lusaka, Zambia, for the 6th African Organic Conference **(6AOC)**. You will be joining a vibrant community of practitioners, policymakers, researchers, businesses and development partners from across Africa and beyond to exchange knowledge, strengthen partnerships and advance organic agriculture and agroecology.

Conference theme:
"Building resilient agri-food systems and ensuring the right to food in Africa through organic agriculture."

Dates:
1–4 December 2026

Venue:
Mika Convention Centre, Meanwood, Waterfalls, Chongwe, Lusaka Province, Zambia.

Website:
https://afronet.bio/6aoc

Conference email:
info@afronet.bio

Venue contact:
Mika Convention Centre
reservations@mikahotels.com | +260 961 876 570 / +260 211 849 021



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Before You Travel

Start preparations early and keep digital and printed copies of important travel documents.

Passport validity: Ensure your passport is valid for **at least six months beyond the intended travel date.**

Blank pages: Ensure your passport has **at least three blank pages.**

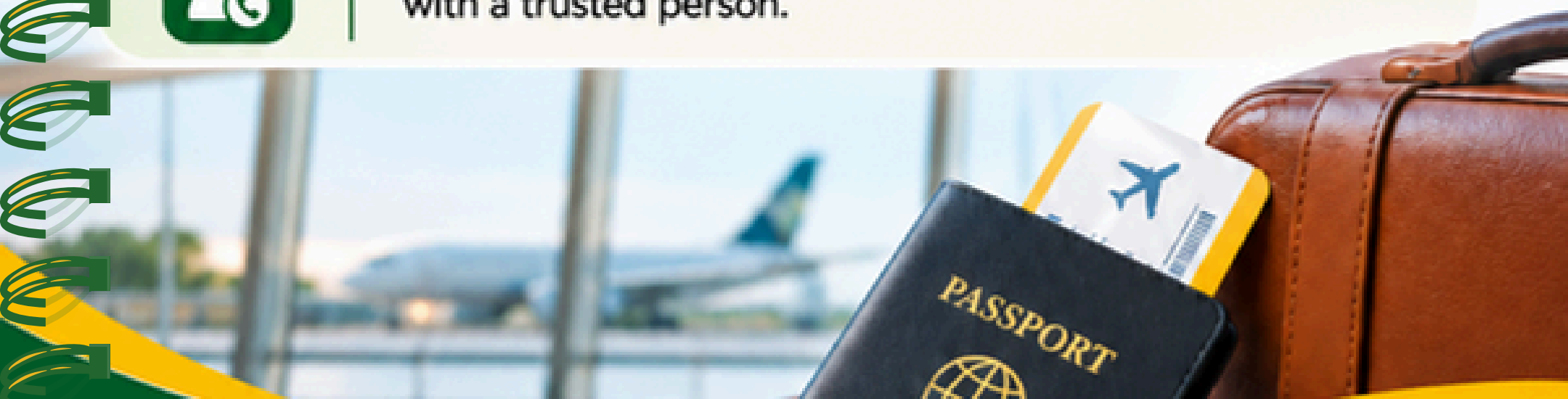
Visa requirements: Delegates must check their specific visa category through the official Zambia Department of Immigration portal: https://eservices.zambiaimmigration.gov.zm/#/home

Advance approval: Note that some nationalities require advance approval before travelling. Check the official portal early to confirm the requirements for your nationality.

Carry evidence of accommodation, return/onward travel, conference participation and sufficient funds if requested by immigration officials.

Check airline baggage rules, transit visa requirements and any health documentation required by your airline or transit countries.

Share your itinerary and emergency contact details with a trusted person.



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3. What to Pack for Lusaka

Lusaka is generally warm during the day, with temperatures around 27–30°C in early December. December also falls within the rainy season, so it's best to pack for warm weather and occasional rainfall.



Clothing

- Pack **lightweight, breathable clothing** suitable for warm weather.
- Bring **comfortable, smart-casual or business** attire for conference sessions.
- Include a **light jacket or sweater** for cooler evenings and air-conditioned spaces.
- Pack **comfortable walking shoes**.
- Bring a **light rain jacket or compact umbrella**, as December falls within the rainy season.



Personal Medication and Health Essentials

- Bring sufficient supplies of any **prescribed medication** you take regularly, preferably in the original packaging.
- **Carry prescriptions** or relevant **medical** documentation for your medication.
- Pack **basic first-aid items** and any familiar over-the-counter medicines you may need.
- Consider **sunscreen**, insect repellent and personal hygiene essentials.
- Speak with a qualified healthcare professional about recommended travel vaccinations and malaria prevention before departure.



Other Useful Essentials

- **Sunglasses** and a sun hat.
- **Reusable water bottle** to stay hydrated.
- **Power bank** and charging cables.
- **Universal travel adapter** (Zambia uses Type C, D and G plugs, 230V, 50Hz).
- **A small day bag** for conference materials and personal belongings.

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4. Flights and Arrival in Zambia

Most international delegates will arrive through **Kenneth Kaunda International Airport (LUN) in Lusaka.** Plan your arrival with enough time to clear immigration, collect your baggage and arrange onward transportation.

Transport Options from the Airport

Yango
Ride-hailing app available in Lusaka.

Official Airport Taxis
Available at the airport (identify by the orange band).

Hotel Transfers
Check with your hotel about airport pickup (charges may apply).

5. Getting from the Airport to Mika Convention Centre and Your Hotel



Mika Convention Centre
Meanwood, Off Great East Road,
Plot 34A Sub 9, Waterfalls, Chongwe,
Lusaka Province.

Approximately **10 km** from Kenneth Kaunda International Airport (LUN).

- Use a reputable, identifiable transport provider.
- Verify driver details when using a ride-hailing app.
- Save your hotel and venue locations in your map application.

Zambia at a Glance

Official Language
English

Currency
Zambian Kwacha (ZMW)

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6. Where to Stay: Accommodation Options



Stay at the Conference Venue

Mika Convention Centre offers on-site accommodation, allowing delegates to stay close to the conference activities and minimise daily transport.

The 6AOC Organising Committee has engaged the hotel management to provide special consideration rates for conference delegates.

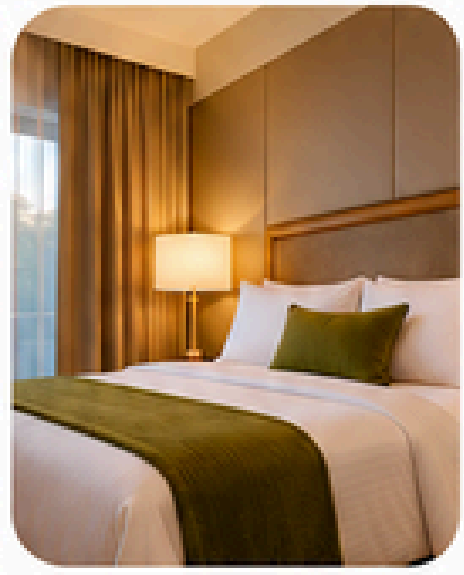
To book or enquire, contact Mika Convention Centre:

+260 961 876 570 / +260 211 849 021
reservations@mikahotels.com
mikahotels.com/mika-convention-center-meanwood

Other Accommodation Options

Delegates may also consider these nearby hotels, lodges and serviced apartments.
Please contact each property directly to confirm rates, availability and transport to the venue.

Accommodation	Approx. Distance from Venue	Category
Rugems Executive Lodge	~2.1 km	Budget
JRK Apartments	~2.4 km	Groups/Families
Skyview Lodge at the Barn	~2.5 km	Mid-range
Waterfalls Hotel	~3.9 km	Budget
Salama Blue Lodge	~4.3 km	Budget
M'kango Golfview Hotel	~8.4 km	Premium
Chamba Valley Exotic Hotel	~8.7 km	Premium



Click for more details on the accomodation options
https://afronet.bio/6aoc-venue

Before You Book, Confirm:

- Availability for 30 Nov – 5 Dec 2026
- Room rate (single/double) and if breakfast is included
- Any special rate for 6AOC delegates
- Airport pick-up or shuttle to the venue
- Security and accepted payment methods

Please Note: All room rates, availability and billing are managed exclusively by the hotel management. The 6AOC Secretariat does not guarantee room prices or availability.

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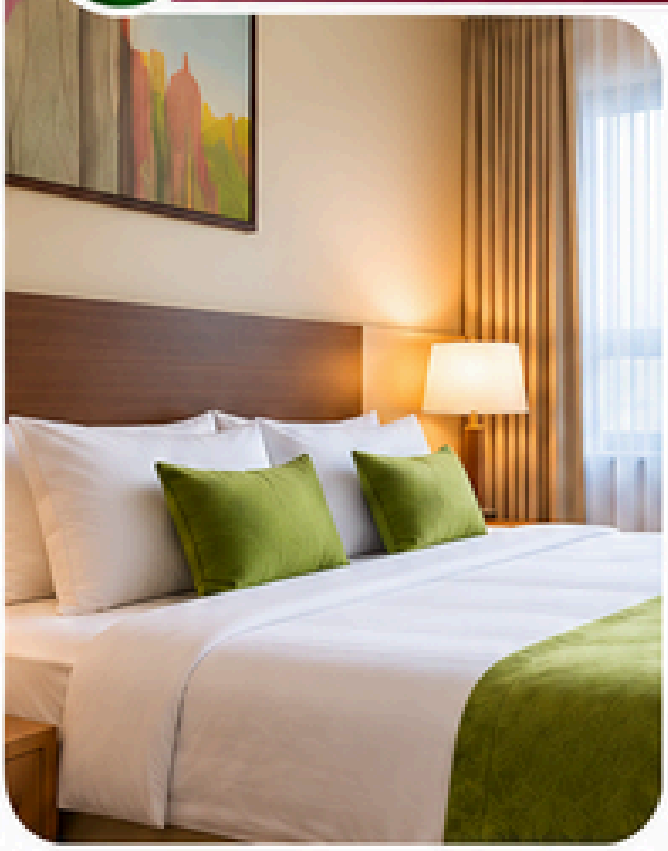
7 What to Confirm Before Paying for Accommodation



- Exact property name, street address and map pin.
- Total price for the full stay, including taxes, service charges and breakfast.
- Cancellation and refund policy, payment method and whether a deposit is required.
- Private bathroom, hot water, room security and backup power availability.
- A written booking confirmation and official receipt.

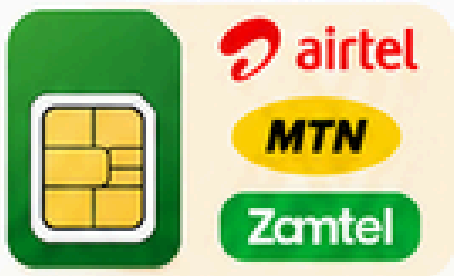
8 Money, Payments and Connectivity

The local currency is the **Zambian Kwacha (ZMW)**. Carry a modest amount of local currency for small purchases and transport.





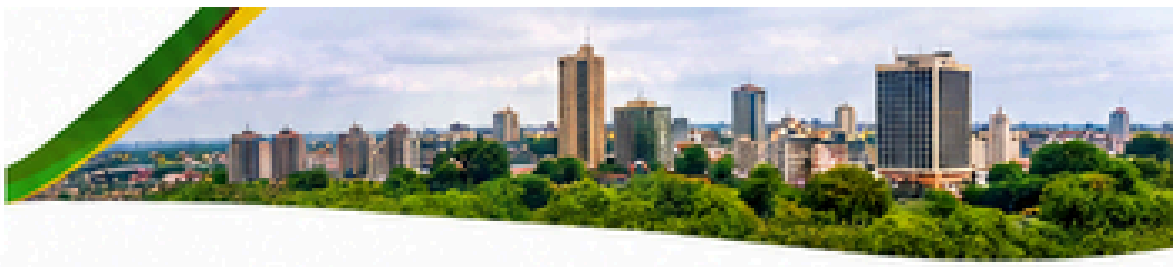
Confirm whether your bank cards work internationally.



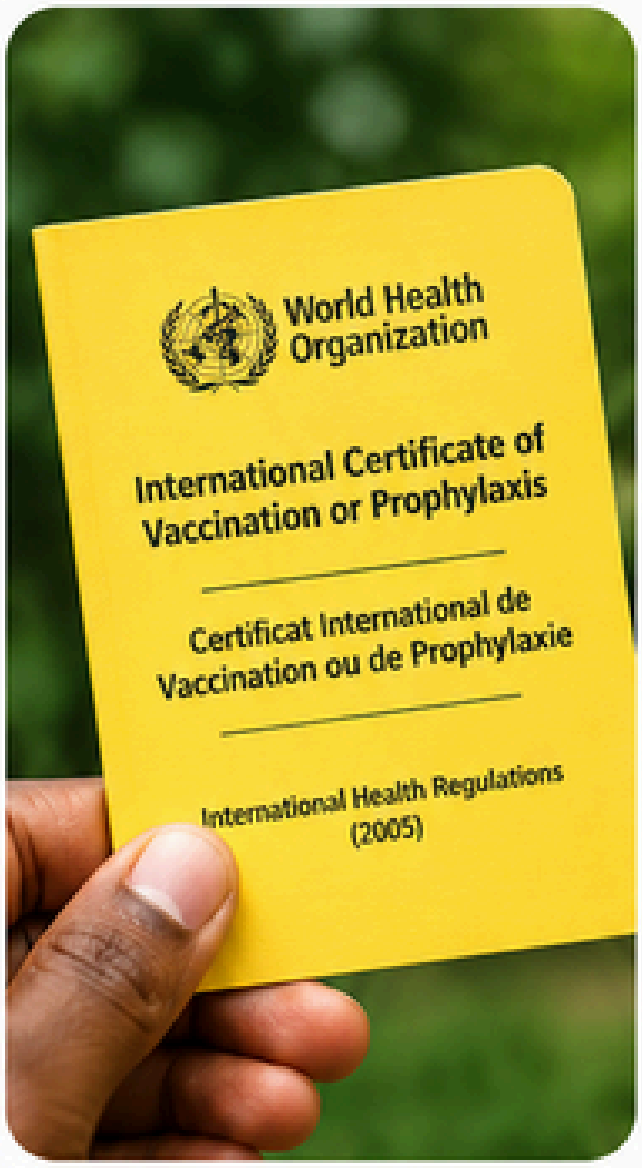
Mobile operators in Zambia include Airtel, MTN and Zamtel. Bring your **passport** for SIM registration.



Zambia uses 230V / 50Hz electricity and **Type G sockets**.



9 Yellow Fever Vaccination Certificate (Yellow Card)



Zambia requires travellers aged 1 year and older arriving from countries on the WHO list of Yellow Fever transmission-risk countries to present a valid International Certificate of Vaccination or Prophylaxis (ICVP).

The requirement can also apply after a transit or layover of more than 12 hours at an airport in a Yellow Fever risk country.

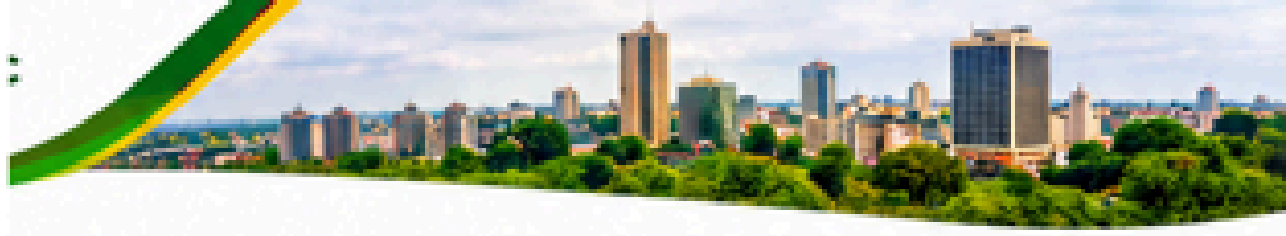
Examples of African countries on the risk list include Angola, Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Republic of the Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, Gabon, The Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Sudan, Togo and Uganda.

This is not a rule for every African country. The CDC notes that Eritrea, Rwanda, São Tomé and Príncipe, Somalia, Tanzania and Zambia are not on the WHO transmission-risk list. Always check the latest country list and your full itinerary before departure.

If vaccination is required, arrange it through an authorised vaccination centre **at least 10 days before arrival** and carry the original, correctly completed Yellow Card.

A valid primary vaccination certificate is recognised for life under International Health Regulations.

If you have mobility, dietary, accessibility or other participation requirements, **inform the Secretariat well in advance**.



10 Conference Registration and Participation



Conference Registration and On-site Information

Upon arrival at the venue, please proceed to the registration area to collect your conference accreditation.

Registration opens at **8:00 am** on **1 December.**

Please have your identification ready.

Making the Most of the Conference

Review the programme and identify sessions, speakers and organisations you want to connect with.

Bring business cards or a digital contact-sharing option.

Ask permission before photographing or recording participants.

11 Departure and Post-conference Follow-up



Confirm your airport transfer and flight departure time.

Allow adequate time for check-out and the journey to the airport.

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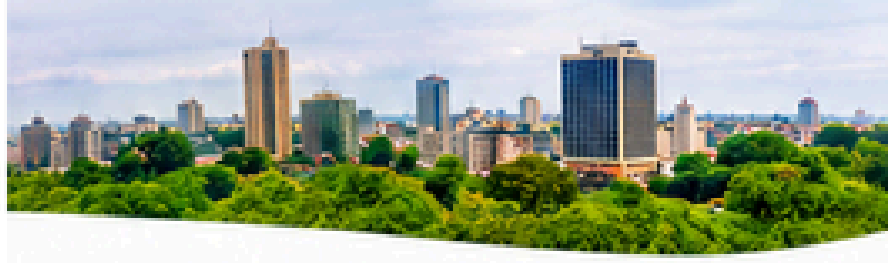

12 Frequently Asked Questions

Where is the conference taking place?	At Mika Convention Centre, Meanwood, Waterfalls, Chongwe, Lusaka Province, Zambia.
When does the conference start?	The conference starts with an opening ceremony on Tuesday the 1st of December.
Which airport should I fly into?	Kenneth Kaunda International Airport (LUN).
Are airport transfers included?	No. Delegates must arrange their own private transfers from the airport to their hotels.
Does the conference provide accommodation?	No. Delegates must book their own accommodation. See section 5.
What currency is used?	The Zambian Kwacha (ZMW).

13 Useful Links and Contacts

CLICK THE LINK

6AOC website: https://afronet.bio/6aoc
Conference Secretariat: info@afronet.bio
Mika Convention Centre: https://mikahotels.com/mika-convention-center-meanwood/
Zambia Department of Immigration: https://eservices.zambiaimmigration.gov.zm/#/home