

WORLD EXPORT DEVELOPMENT FORUM 2018

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Mulungushi International Conference Centre

8025 Great East Road
P.O. Box 33299
Lusaka, Zambia
Phone: +260-211-291229 | Fax: +260-211-291991
www.micc.co.zm

Participation in WEDF 2018 and B2B meetings are free of charge and subject to confirmation by the organizers. The Official Opening will be at 9:00 on 11 September; the Official Closing will be at 17:30 on 12 September.

Before the official opening, WEDF 2018 features [business-to-business \(B2B\) meetings](#) at the same venue on Monday, 10 September, which continue on Tuesday, 11 September. On Monday 10 September, there will also be a regional packaging event and the launch of SheTrades Zambia. On Thursday, there will be a China-Zambia investment meeting.

Simultaneous interpretation from and into English, French and Chinese will be offered for WEDF sessions. For the B2B meetings, it is recommended to be able to communicate in English.

All WEDF details are available at: www.intracen.org/wedf

Zambia: a business hub

Zambia is one of the fastest growing economies in Africa, and offers many opportunities for investment, trade and business development. The country is an important regional player in the African economic community. Its capital, Lusaka, is the headquarters of the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA), and a member of the Southern African Development Community (SADC).

A large part of the economy of Zambia has historically been based in copper mining. As Zambia's economy continues to grow, opportunities in the manufacturing, infrastructure, energy, and tourism sectors are developing.

Some 60% of Zambian households rely on agriculture for their livelihood, making it a sector with potential for growth. Agriculture in Zambia also has a strong impact on other sectors. WEDF's B2B meetings will focus on agribusiness products, machinery and packaging. The programme will also address topics such as reducing risk in agricultural supply chains and green finance options.

Zambia is an exciting and forward-looking site to host the 2018 World Export Development Forum in order to explore trade-related policy issues and foster business-to-business deals. This year's theme is 'Scaling up through Trade: Skill, Innovate, Connect' to encourage best practices scaling up investment and trade in Africa and promote innovative opportunities in the region and beyond.

Business-to-Business meetings

Business matchmaking will focus on crops and oilseeds, as well as their processed products, honey; agricultural technologies and storage systems; and packaging solutions.

For more information and to register your company for the B2B event visit [here](#).

Entry requirements for Zambia

A visa for entry into Zambia may be required. Foreign delegates/participants are strongly advised to seek information on visa requirements from the Zambia Immigration website below. Foreign nationals wishing to attend the conference, fall within three distinct categories for visa requirements:

1. [Nationals who do not require a visa to enter Zambia.](#)
2. [Nationals requiring visas issued on arrival or at Zambian missions abroad.](#)
3. [Nationals requiring visas prior to travel.](#)

We encourage those requiring visas to apply online, even if they can obtain their visa upon arrival. This is to reduce the clearance period at Kenneth Kaunda International Airport in Lusaka.

After a visa application is submitted, a reference number will be sent to the local organizing committee for follow-up. The Zambia Department of Immigration website can be visited [here](#) and the e-Visa portal can be accessed [here](#).

Accommodation and meals

Participants are expected to make their own accommodation arrangements.

The hotels below offer preferential rates for WEDF 2018 participants. Please make your reservation using the booking code indicated.

- [Protea Hotel by Marriott Lusaka](#) (Arcades Shopping Complex) - Booking code ITC092018
- [Protea Hotel by Marriott Lusaka Tower](#) (Arcades Shopping Complex) - Booking code ITC092018
- [Radisson Blu](#) - Booking code 1809WEDFOR (breakfast included in the rate)
- [Intercontinental](#) - Booking code WEDF 2018 (breakfast and airport shuttle included in the rate)

Meals during the conference on 11 and 12 September are offered courtesy of the Government of Zambia and ITC partners.

International airport

Kenneth Kaunda International Airport in Lusaka has one terminal and is currently under construction. It takes 25 minutes by car to reach Lusaka.

Language

While English is the official language, an urban variety of Nyanja is the lingua franca of Lusaka, and is widely spoken as a second language throughout Zambia. Bemba, the country's largest indigenous language, also serves as a lingua franca in some areas.

Tourist packages

The sightseeing tours summarized below have been selected for WEDF 2018 participants. All tours are available for a fee and must be reserved by the delegate directly with the tour operator. See the WEDF web site for updated information.

Three-day trip to Victoria Falls

Day 1 Mode of transport: air or road transfer.

Flight prices vary depending on the booking dates; road transfer prices depend on the number of people travelling and the type of vehicle. Several hotel options are available.

- Two nights at **Avani Victoria Falls Resort**- Bed & Breakfast for \$650 per person sharing a room at this hotel.
A 5-minute walk from “Mosi-Oa-Tunya” (the Smoke that Thunders – Victoria Falls), the Avani Victoria Falls Resort provides guests with affordable luxury, family-oriented accommodation. This 3-star hotel is vibrant and colourful, which is reflective of the Zambian people themselves.
- Two nights at **Victoria Falls Waterfront**- Bed & Breakfast for \$515 per person sharing a room at this hotel.
The lodge boasts fantastic facilities catering to travellers’ every need including a riverside restaurant and bar with stunning views over the Zambezi River – the perfect spot for a sundowner. A varied mix of accommodation includes en-suite chalets, permanent tents and a campsite.
- Two nights at **Maramba River Lodge**- Bed & Breakfast for \$450 per person sharing a room at this hotel.
The lodge is an attractive year-round base with its shaded, woodland settings. Often, elephants are spotted walking on its grounds. Very popular among tourists, Maramba River Lodge is the perfect place if you want to experience Africa.

Sunset Cruise

You can enjoy luxurious cruises on the Zambezi River and experience all the wonders of nature that this powerful river has to offer. For an unforgettable experience, take a cruise upstream from the Victoria Falls and see spectacular views of the Zambezi River and the surrounding game reserves.

Day 2 Cheetah Walk

Taking a walk with cheetahs is an experience of a lifetime! You walk under guided supervision, through the African Bush. It is a true African Experience to walk with dangerous animals during this exciting safari.

Guided Tour of the Victoria Falls

Our professional guide will walk you through all the magnificent Victoria Falls, giving vivid information on the falls and ensuring that you visit the most interesting sights of the World’s Seventh Natural Wonder!

Day 3 Road transfers to Livingstone International Airport for your onward flight or road transfer to Lusaka

Note for all Victoria Falls packages: the rate does not include international airfares, visa entry fees or transportation to Livingstone. Additional nights and local flights rates are subject to availability.

Contact for reservations: res@goingplaceszambia.com; Cell: +260 954 063499, +260 975 063499

1. Chaminuka Day Trip

The private game reserve and lodge offers a memorable day out. Chaminuka is home to nearly all types of antelopes, giraffes, elephants and other animals. Clients are picked up from their hotel at 9:00 and dropped off by 17:00. The trip is priced at \$160 per person for a minimum of two people.

This includes:

- Return transfers
- Game drive
- Cheetah walk experience
- Boat ride
- Buffet lunch
- Viewing of the extensive art collection

Please note that beverages are billed separately at the bar and are not included in the package above.

Contact for reservations: res@goingplaceszambia.com; Cell: +260 954 063499, +260 975 063499

2. Lusaka City Tour

The tour encompasses a visit to memorable sights around the city such as the Chilenje House, Kabwata Cultural Village, Memorial Park, the Cathedral, Lusaka Museum and local markets. The tour also includes lunch in a Zambian Restaurant, a drive through Cairo road and visits to government buildings and national monument sites.

Clients can be picked up and dropped off at Lusaka City hotels and an additional fee applies for transfer to Lusaka International Airport. For four hours the tour is priced at \$70 per person and for seven hours the tour costs \$100.

Contact for reservations: res@goingplaceszambia.com; Cell: +260 954 063499, +260 975 063499