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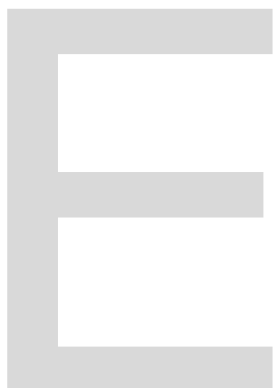
HEALTH INFORMATION NOTE

This Health Information Note has been prepared in consultation with the Rwanda Bio Medical Centre and gives due consideration to the current public health circulars and latest situation regarding COVID-19 cases in the city of Kigali. It serves to ensure collective safety and the smooth running of the 145th IPU Assembly and its related meetings. Your compliance is expected for effective implementation of the health protocols.

A passenger locator form is no longer required for entry to Rwanda.

Pre-departure preparations

- All delegates and participants must hold a COVID-19 vaccine certificate, including the holder's full details, information on the vaccines administered, the institution that performed the vaccination, date of complete vaccination (either a single or a double dose of a complete primary series depending on the vaccine). All WHO-recognized vaccinations and Sputnik V vaccination are acceptable. Where applicable, a recovery certificate will also be accepted in lieu of a vaccine certificate.
- All delegates and participants are required to have international health insurance that covers all health care costs in the event of a confirmed COVID-19 case requiring hospitalization.
- All delegates and participants are strongly advised to take a PCR test before departure. As a precautionary measure, all IPU personnel travelling to Kigali will be taking a PCR test 48 hours prior to departure.
- Yellow fever vaccine is not mandatory for travellers coming from yellow fever non-endemic countries, however travellers coming from active yellow fever endemic countries and any country with an active yellow fever transmission outbreak will have to show a vaccination certificate. More guidance on yellow fever prevention is available at this link:
https://www.rbc.gov.rw/fileadmin/user_upload/Public_Notice_on_Yellow_Fever_Prevention.pdf.
- Guidance on malaria prevention is available at this link:
<https://www.ipurwanda2022.rw/index.php?eID=dumpFile&t=f&f=51310&token=2d4e3d9600b1d3e1dd97571975810cfa2d518317>



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Measures at the Assembly Venue and Social Events

- **Requirement for Head of State visit:** Regardless of the date of arrival, all delegates and participants, should be tested (**COVID-19 rapid antigen**) on **10 October 2022**. This test will be valid until the end of the Assembly. For those entering the KCC for the first time on 11 October, tests will be available at the COVID-19 testing site until 09:30. This is a requirement according to the health protocol of the Head of State.
- Antigen tests on 10 and 11 October will be provided free of charge, the aim being to ensure a safe environment for all delegates. There will be a priority lane for Speakers of Parliament.
- If a test result is positive, the participant will be treated as indicated in the National COVID-19 Management Guidelines available at www.rbc.gov.rw at his or her own cost, receiving all necessary support from the conference teams. Please ensure that your travel insurance covers costs for a potential COVID-19 infection, treatment and quarantine accommodation.
- **It is strongly recommended to wear a face mask (covering nose and mouth)** at all times in the KCC, except when eating or drinking.

ACCESSING THE ASSEMBLY VENUE AND COVID-19 TESTING SITE

Before entering the KCC, proceed to the **COVID-19 testing site** on the grounds of the KCC.

- Register for the test (the IPU Secretariat has provided basic information from the online registration system to speed up the process). A test kit will be provided and you can then proceed towards an available testing booth.
- The testing procedure will last between 3 and 5 minutes and another 5-10 minutes is required until results are ready (waiting room available).
- The dedicated waiting room will have a test result counter. More details on procedure will be communicated soon.
- Upon testing negative for the antigen test, proceed to the KCC to collect your identity badge.

TESTING CENTRE FOR COVID-19: KIGALI CONVENTION CENTRE, RWANDA

For registered participants only

The **testing centre** is in the medical testing tent opposite the KCC's main entrance.

TESTING CENTRE OPENING HOURS:

10.10.2022	07:00-20:00
11.10.2022	07:00-09:30

* We urgently call upon all members of delegations to **use the testing facilities on 10 October 2022 before their meetings start** to avoid bottlenecks and waiting time. The test is valid until the end of the Assembly.

ALWAYS KEEP THESE 6 KEY POINTS IN MIND



1 Mask
(use covering nose, mouth, and chin)



2 Meters
(at least 1.5m between people)



3 Hands
(frequent hand washing)



4 Fewer contacts
and in a stable bubble



5 More ventilation,
outdoor activities,
and opened windows



6 I stay at home if I have symptoms or I have been diagnosed with COVID, if I am a close contact of a positive case, or awaiting for test results

INFORMATION ON PCR TESTS FOR DEPARTURE

- Pre-departure COVID-19 test is not mandatory for travellers whose final destinations do not require it.
- COVID-19 testing facilities, at participants' own cost, will be available at the 145th IPU Assembly for participants whose destinations require proof of a negative test before departure (either rapid antigen or PCR).

Emergency contact information:

Call (+250)781399838 or email covid@rbc.gov.rw

Welcome to Rwanda and thank you for your cooperation in the fight against COVID-19