

## PRACTICAL INFORMATION

# 1ST MEETINGS OF THE CRASA HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (HRDC) AND FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE (FAC) 2025/26, DAR ES SALAAM, TANZANIA, 25TH TO 29TH AUGUST 2025

#### 1. About Tanzania

The United Republic of Tanzania was formed from the union of two sovereign states, Tanganyika and Zanzibar. Tanzania has a total area of 945,087 square kilometres with a population of about 61,741,120. Tanzania is located in the Eastern part of Africa, bordered by Kenya and Uganda to the North; Rwanda, Burundi, and the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) to the West; Zambia, Malawi, and Mozambique to the South; and the Indian Ocean to the East. Dodoma is the country's capital city while Dar es Salaam is still a major commercial city.

Tanzania is well known for the majestic spice Islands of Zanzibar, the ultimate paradise on the Indian Ocean; Mount Kilimanjaro, the highest mountain in Africa with a snow cap despite being very close to the Equator; the Olduvai Gorge – the Cradle of Mankind; the Ngorongoro Crater – the 7th natural wonder of the World; the Serengeti National Park – world renown for the largest concentration of wildlife and the spectacular wildebeest migration (there is nothing like it on this planet); the Selous Game Reserve – the largest game reserve in Africa; Lake Tanganyika – the deepest lake in Africa; and Lake Victoria, the largest lake in Africa. All these endowments offer opportunities for leisure and investment in hotels, camps, water sports, hunting, and tour operations.



The Kilimanjaro Mountain the Serengeti National Park Zanzibar

#### 2. About Dar es Salaam

Dar es Salaam is the largest and most populated city, with a population of about 5,383,728. It is a commercial city with a high concentration of trade, manufacturing, and other services. Dar es salaam is a vibrant coastal city that beautifully blends Tanzania's rich cultural heritage with its dynamic urban life. Dar es Salaam offers a unique mix of stunning beaches, bustling markets, and historical sites. From exploring the lively Kariakoo Market to enjoying the calm, turquoise waters along Coco Beach, there's something for everyone here. The city's waterfront is adorned with colourful dhows and offers picturesque views, while its cultural diversity is reflected in its food, music, and welcoming people. Other historical sites can be explored like the National Museum, which showcases the country's deep-rooted heritage, and the Askari Monument, a tribute to Tanzania's role in World War I. With warm tropical weather all year round, Dar es Salaam is the perfect destination to experience Tanzania's warm hospitality, delicious Swahili cuisine, and a relaxed yet lively coastal vibe.

**Kindly note**, Dar es Salaam is currently undergoing significant infrastructure improvements with the expansion of the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system. Due to ongoing

construction, traveller's may experience occasional disruptions, such as road closures, detours, or increased traffic in certain areas. We advise visitors to plan routes ahead of time, especially when navigating the city centre or major roadways. Staying updated with local traffic news the latest information can help ensure a smoother travel experience in Dar es Salaam.

## 3. Date and Venue of the Meeting

1st Meetings of The Crasa Human Resources Development Committee (HRDC) and Finance and Audit Committee (Fac) will be held at Serena Hotel in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania from 25<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> August 2025.

Website: https://daressalaamserena.guestreservations.com/



#### 4. Health

Malaria is a health risk in Tanzania, especially in tropical areas such as Dar es Salaam.

In order to comply with the International Health Regulations, United Republic of Tanzania requires a valid International Certificate of Vaccination from travellers from countries with infected areas. In addition, certificates are required from those who have been in transit through those areas.

## 5. Climate – during the month of August

In August 2025, Dar es Salaam is expected to experience the average minimum temperature of 30.0°C (81.1°F), which is usually noted during the night and the average maximum daytime temperature to reach around 34.0°C (91.6°F). Please note that weather patterns can vary, and it's advisable to check for updated forecasts through the Meteorological Authority website <a href="https://www.meteo.go.tz">https://www.meteo.go.tz</a>.

## 6. Language

Swahili is the national language whereas English is widely used in official communication.

Few words to go by:

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Karibu sana – You are Mostly Welcome
Habari ya Asubuhi/ Mchana/ Jioni
- Good Morning/ Afternoon/ Evening
Asante – Thank you
Hakuna Matata - No problem
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# 7. Currency

The Official currency is Tanzanian Shilling (TZS). Other commonly acceptable currencies (for exchange to Tanzania Shillings) include:

1USD = 2707.53 TZS 1EUR= 2981.532 TZS 1GBP = 3534.9512 TZS

Online exchange rates can also be obtained from http://www.xe.com/

#### 8. Religion

Tanzania's population consists of Christians, Muslims, and followers of indigenous religions. There are also active communities of other religious groups, such as Buddhists, Hindus, and Bahaists, primarily on the mainland.

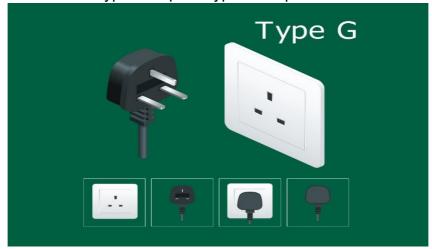
# 9. Internet Access and Mobile Telephony Services

Internet Access will be provided at the venue, through Wi-Fi. Delegates who wish to have local SIM Card; they can obtain the same at the Operators' shops. The recommended Mobile Network Operators are Vodacom, Tigo, Airtel and Halotel all offering (2G, 3G, 4G and 5G).

<sup>\*</sup>Take note that the exchange rate may change at any time. For the latest exchange rates please visit www.bot.go.tz \*.

# 10. Electricity

Tanzania standard electricity voltage is at 220 - 240V, and the frequency is 50/60Hz with power plugs and sockets of type G: square type three pins.



## 11. Additional Information

Time Zone: Tanzania Standard Time is 3 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT+3).

**Emergency Number:** In case of police emergency please dial 112

Fire Emergency: 114

**Banking:** Monday to Friday 0830-1530 and Saturday: 0830-1200 **Shops:** Monday to Friday: 0800-1700 and Saturday: 0800-1300

International Telephone Dialling: Tanzania International Telephone's dial code is +255.

# 12. Visa

Citizens from Southern Africa Development Community (SADC) do not normally require a visa. However, you are advised to consult the nearest Tanzanian Embassy well in advance for visa requirements. Information on Visa Guidelines and online application can be accessed at <a href="https://eservices.immigration.go.tz/visa/guidelines">https://eservices.immigration.go.tz/visa/guidelines</a>. Kindly contact CRASA Secretariat should you need assistance with Visa Application.

## 13. Hotel & Travel Logistics

A list of recommended hotels near the venue is as shown in the table below:

S/N	HOTEL	PRICE	CONTACTS
	NAME	RANGE	
1.	Johari	175 USD	Mobile: +255 659 070 800
	Rotana		
	Venue		

2.	Serena Hotel	490,000 - TZS	Mobile: +255 786784200 Email: dshreservations@serena.co.tz cmsafiri@serena.co.tz
3.	Hyatt Regency Dar es Salaam, The Kilimanjaro	400 - USD	Mobile: +255 764 70 1234
4.	Four Points by Sheraton Dar es Salaam New Africa	137 - USD	Mobile: +255222117050
5.	Tiffany Diamond Hotels	278,000 - TZS	Mobile: +255 677047751, +255743344322 Email: reservations@tiffanydiamondhotelsma.comsales@tiffanydi amondhotelsma.com
6.	Crowne Plaza – IHG Hotel	118 USD	Mobile: 0746 812 540
7.	Urban by City Blue	200 USD	Mobile: 0753 335 599 Email: reservations@citybluehotels.com
8.	Universal Executive Hotel	70,000 – 180,000TZS	Mobile: +255 715 464 633 / +255 684 036 920

#### **KINDLY NOTE:**

You are advised to call or email for reservations, so please do not hesitate to seek for assistance.

The Government of the United Republic of Tanzania (URT) will provide transport to delegates as follows: -

- a) On arrival and departure from Julius Nyerere International Airport; and
- b) Recommended hotels to/from the venue.

<u>Note:</u> Delegates are advised to look for the paging boards or signage with the name of meeting (**CRASA HRDC & FAC**).

Delegates are requested to provide all travel information, including flight number, arrival and departure dates and time should they need pick-up from and to the airport.

For more information regarding logistics for this meeting, contact the following:

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YOU ARE WARMLY WELCOME TO TANZANIA.

KARIBU DAR ES SALAAM.