











## **Welcome Packet**

# Leading the Way. Mobility Reimagined Conference 2025

3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Simba Corp (Mitsubishi) - Aspire Centre, Westlands, Nairobi





















#### **Hujambo!**

Thank you for registering to attend The Women and Transport Africa (WTA) 2025 Conference. As a conference participant, you will be joining a diverse group of professionals, academics, policy-makers and public transport users. We have attendees coming from across different countries and continents. The following is an information packet designed to aid you with your preparations for travel to Nairobi. In it, you will find conference details, travel advice and accommodation options.

Please ensure that you have read through it carefully. For up-to-date information regarding the conference program and presenters, feel free to visit our website: https://womenandtransportafrica.com/

If you have any questions prior to or during your travels, contact us through the following:

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See you on 3rd-5th

December 2025

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#### **About the Conference**

For the 7<sup>th</sup> year running, the Flone Initiative Trust has done what few can—consistently convening Africa's brightest transport minds under one roof. From policymakers to industry leaders, researchers to grassroots game-changers, this annual gathering has become the beating heart of mobility conversations across the continent.

This year, the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual WTA Conference themed @Leading the Way: Mobility Reimagined will revel up the City of Nairobi once more from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> 2025, at the Aspire Centre-Mitsubishi in Westlands, Nairobi, Kenya, This dynamic 2.5 Day event isn't just another conference, it's now a movement. The key topics for the conference will be (Will have a health and wellness camp running throughout on Day 1 and 2):

#### DAY 1

- Keynote speeches: renowned politician and advocate of the High Court, National Gender and Equality Commission and GIZ-Kenya
- A look at how data and technology is enhancing the experience of transport workers
- Breaking Barriers Women Leading in Transport
- Government Agencies leading the Way in Road Safety: Policies, standards & Design for Safer Streets
- Innovative, Inclusive, and Gender-Responsive Financing for Active Mobility in Africa
- Walking the Talk: Designing and Operating Disability Inclusive Public Transport

#### DAY 2

- Spotlight on the 10- Year Impact Report by Flone Initiative
- A look at the transport trade unions by the International Transport Federation (ITF)
- Women Shaping the Mobility Business in Tanzania
- Rethinking the Safe System Approach Under Climate Pressure
- The Handbook on Enhancing Young Women's Mobility in Indian Cities [Here]
- Advancing Gender Inclusive Business
   Models in Africa's E-Mobility Transition

#### DAY 3 (Half-Day)

Delegates get to choose between:

- Site Visit to E-Mobility Manufacturers and Innovators
- Workshop for the co-creation of the E-Mobility Strategic Plan using SWOT and PESTEL analysis

#### **Getting into Kenya**

#### **Airports**

There are two airport options available if you will be flying in for the conference:

- Jomo Kenyatta International Airport. This is the main airport in Nairobi, located just outside of the city, along Mombasa Road. JKIA is the flagship airport of the Kenya Airports Authority (KAA). (15 km from city centre)
- 2. Wilson Airport. This is a much smaller airport that mainly caters to regional travel to/from East and Central Africa. It is located along Langata Rd, Nairobi. If you are taking domestic flights within the country, you will most likely use it. (6 km from city centre)

#### Visa and Vaccine Information

For information regarding country-specific visa requirements refer to: <a href="https://immigration.ecitizen.go.ke/index.php?id=6">https://immigration.ecitizen.go.ke/index.php?id=6</a>. Generally, a citizen of a foreign country wishing to enter the Republic of Kenya must first obtain an e-Visa via <a href="http://evisa.go.ke/evisa.html">http://evisa.go.ke/evisa.html</a>. A single-entry visa costs approximately USD 34. And \$100 for East African Tourist Visa (EATV) (Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda) Citizens from the EAC states and South African can enter the country – visa free.

Please note that passport holders of the following countries CANNOT make e-Visa applications online. They will require Referred Visas. The visa applications are referred to the Director of Immigration services for processing and approval: Afghanistan, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Cameroon, Democratic People's Republic of Korea (Formerly North Korea), Eritrea, Iraq, Kosovo, Lebanon, Libya, Mali, Palestine, Senegal, Somalia, Syria, Tajikistan and Yemen. Please contact your local Kenyan High Commission for more information.

If needed, we are willing to provide a letter of invitation for the purpose of the visa application. Please contact us through <a href="witconference@floneinitiative.org">witconference@floneinitiative.org</a>

A valid Yellow Fever vaccination certificate is mandatory for all travellers. Vaccinations against Tetanus, Diphtheria and Poliomyelitis for children and Hepatitis A and Typhoid for adults are recommended but not mandatory. Those travelling outside of the Nairobi are advised to bring along anti-malarial medication. For more information, please visit: <a href="https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/traveler/none/kenya">https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/traveler/none/kenya</a>

In summary, you will be asked to show the following on arrival (depending on your circumstances):

- 1. A passport valid for at least 6 months
- 2. eVisa printout from www.eCitizen.go.ke
- 3. Travel itinerary
- 4. Supporting letter e.g. letter from company or invitation letter for the conference
- 5. Hotel booking confirmation letter
- 6. A valid Yellow Fever vaccination certificate

#### **Plastic Bag Ban**

On 28<sup>th</sup> August 2017, the Kenyan government imposed a ban on the use, manufacture and importation of all plastic bags for commercial and household packaging. Please avoid packing your belongings using plastic bags. It is unlikely that it will be strictly enforced (you might have to throw away the plastic bags at the airport), but take note just in case.



WHILE IN NAIROBI

#### **Getting Around**

The venue, Aspire Centre – Mitsubishi, is located along Waiyaki Way (A104), at Westlands, next to the Delta and very close to the main public transport bus stop. Public Transport buses and mini-buses are available from major bus stops Koja roundabout and Odeon on Tom Mboya Street in Nairobi Central Business District, you will alight at Westlands Bus stop. Location on Google Map

Public transport facilities to/from the airport are limited, so taxi transfers are recommended.

Airport transfers generally cost between KES1000 - KES3000 (\$7-\$25), depending on traffic conditions and your destination.

Ride share apps such as Uber, Bolt and LittleCab are also available and you can request for a motor vehicle of motorcycle (bodaboda).

Conference attendees are expected to cover the cost of their own local transport and airport transfers, unless otherwise informed.

#### **Kenyan Currency**

The official currency of the Republic of Kenya is the Kenyan Shilling (KES). Forex exchange services are available at the airport and all over the city. Exchange rates as of 21<sup>st</sup> November 2025:

1 USD = 129.86 KES 1 EUR = 149.85 KES 1 GBP = 170 KES

There are ATM machines at the airport and at all banks. Most establishments (including taxis) accept either cash or mobile money payments (M-Pesa, Airtel Money). Credit cards are accepted at supermarkets and hotels, but only at some restaurants.

#### Language

English and Swahili are the official languages of the Republic of Kenya. Most Kenyans living in Nairobi have a conversational understanding of English. The conference sessions will be held in English with a few exceptions, which we shall be happy to interpret into English. There will be sign language interpreters present on Day 1 and Day 2 for all the sessions.

#### Weather

In December, Nairobi typically experiences warm and pleasant weather. Daily temperatures are likely to average around 25°C (high) and 15°C (low). Though the chance of rain is lower, it's still advisable to be prepared for occasional showers during the conference.

#### **Electrical Compatibility**

The standard voltage is 240 V and the frequency is 50 Hz. You can use your electric appliances in Kenya, if the standard voltage in your country is in between

voltage in your country is in between 220 - 240 V. The power sockets are type G.

#### **Accommodation Options**

Unless otherwise informed, it is the responsibility of conference attendees to arrange their own accommodation. For speakers whose accommodation will be catered for by the conference, extras such as phone calls and use of the minibar need to be covered at your own expense. Below is a list of recommended hotels that are easily accessible from the conference venue. This is just a small selection of hotels.

Name of hotel and contact details	Location and distance from venue	Approximate room rates (per night). Single Occupancy in USD 1 USD = 130 KES
Park Inn by Radison, Westlands	At just 400 m from the venue.	120-155 USD
	Walk/Cab	
Booking Website: Rooms	Via Old Waiyaki Way A104 or	
Tel: +254 70 9498 000	Sports Rd/Rhapta Road.	
Ibis Styles - Nairobi, Westlands	At just 600m from the venue.	115 -130 USD
Booking Website: Rooms	Walk/Cab	
Tel: +254-20-5147500	Accessible via Rhapta Road	
Email: HB065-RE@accor.com		
Jacaranda Hotel Nairobi	1 km	95-110
https://www.jacarandahotels.com/	Walk /Cab	
Email: reservations@jacarandahotels.com	Woodvale Close,	
Tel: +254 20 4448713	Westlands	
Mövenpick Hotel & Residences Nairobi	1.6 km	180 - 220
https://movenpick.accor.com/	Cab	
Email: hotel.nairobi@movenpick.com	Mkungu Close, Westlands	
Tel: +254 709 548 000		
Best Western Premier Westlands	800 m	
bestwestern.co.ke	Walk/Cab	110 - 125
Email: reservations@bestwestern.co.ke	Karuna Road next	
Tel: +254 709 998 000	to Sarit Centre	
La Maison Royale Hotel	1.8 km	45 -50
<u>Imrhotel.com</u>	Cab	
Email: info@lmrhotel.com	Mogotio Rd	
Tel: +254 729 769253		
Impala Hotel Parklands	2.5 km	20-30
impala-hotel.nairobi-hotels-ke.com	Public Transport/Cab	
Tel: +254 20 3742346 / +254 724 493856	Parklands Road	
Email: info@cateringservices.co.ke		
The Clarion Hotel	3.3 km	50 -70
https://theclarionhotel.co.ke/#/	Public Transport (Koja State) or	
Tel: +254 721 485 024	Cab	
Email: reservations@theclarionhotel.co.ke	Moi Avenue, CBD Nairobi	

Check and compare prices of other hotels in Westlands on <u>Booking.com</u> or <u>Guest Reservations.</u> For AirBnB, check out this <u>website.</u>







#### **Emergency Contacts**

We recommend that you arrange for travel medical insurance prior to your trip. The phone number for national emergency services is 999. If you need to reach the **Police**, call: 999, 112 or 911. If you need to reach the **Fire department**, call: 999 / 020-2222181 / 020-2222182 / 020-2344599. In case of a security emergency, first contact the security guards at the venue or you place of accommodation. In case of a medical emergency, these are the contacts of some of the facilities located in the area:

Name of hospital and contact details	Location and distance from venue	Type of facility
AAR Kenya Emergency/Ambulance: +254 725 225 225   +254 34 225 225 General Appointments: +254 709 701000   +254 730 655000 Dial a Doctor: Toll Free 0800 724 865 Email: clientservice.ke@aar-healthcare.com Website: Home	Available at the venue  Nearest Clinic at Sarit Centre, Westlands (800m)  Main Hospital at Kiambu Road (8.5 km)	Running health and wellness camp at the conference venue Private hospital. Ample facilities.
MP Shah Hospital Emergency/Ambulance: +254 707 044 115 General Appointments: +254 111 000 600	2 km Shivachi Road, Westlands	Private hospital. Ample facilities.
Aga Khan Hospital Call an ambulance E-Plus Telephone: +254 (0) 700 395 395/ 0738 395 395 Critical Care: +254 (0) 728 918 000 Adult A&E department Telephone: +254 (0) 20 366 2021/2028 Mobile: +254 (0) 735 984 792	3.8 km  3rd Parklands Avenue, Parklands	Private hospital. Ample facilities.
Nairobi Hospital For outpatient services call: +254 (0) 703 073 000 or +254 (020) 8895604 Ambulance: 0702 200 200 Kenyatta National Hospital (KNH)	A&E uses the main hospital entrance along Argwings Kodhek Road (12.8 Km km from venue)  A&E entrance is located along	Private hospital. Ample facilities  Public national hospital, likely
KNH Hotline: 020 2737390 Referral: 0719 510510 KNH Disaster Management: 0797 398094	Hospital Road, off Ngong Road (14.3 km from venue)	to be crowded
Kenya Red Cross Tel: +254 02 3950000 Cell: +254 703 037000 Toll Free HOTLINE: 1199 Email: info@kenyaredcross.org	Address: South C, RedCross Road, Off Popo Road, P.O. Box. 40712, 00100	Ambulance service

#### The Venue

The 2025 Women and Transport Africa (WTA) Conference will be held at the Aspire Centre, Simba Corporations (Mitsubishi), located along Waiyaki Way (A104), Westlands. It ~ 200m from the Westlands Bus-stop, and in between the Delta and Consolata Shrine/Catholic Church & School. For more precise directions, please refer to the following Google Maps link.

As the name suggests, it is designed to inspire collaboration and creativity; it offers a dynamic mix of professional meeting space and hospitality services. It is centrally located and offers easy access by public transport, walking from nearby hotels and via



car. There is secure basement parking. You will love the natural lighting at the Atrium, where you will enjoy your meals and the state-of-the-art facilities. The venue is wheelchair accessible, ensuring ease of movement for all attendees.

#### **Dress Code**

Conference attendees are advised to don business-casual attire.

#### **Security Information**

Please bring a copy of your passport/national identification card with you to the conference. You will need this to complete registration on the day. Once this is complete, you will receive a nametag, which you should keep with you at all times during the conference so that you will be granted entry to the venue.

#### **Catering**

Your registration entitles you to the following for the duration of the conference:

- Tea, coffee and snacks during breaks
- Lunch

Vegetarian options will be available. Please email us (<u>witconference@floneinitiative.org</u>) if you have any allergies or any other dietary restrictions.

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### Theme:

Leading the Way.
Mobility Re-imagined.

#### Join the Women and Transport Africa (WTA) Conference

Be part of this transformative gathering of delegates and speakers shaping the future of mobility in Africa. This is a must-attend event for anyone passionate about gender, transport, and innovation.



