



7th ALL AFRICA
ZONE INSTITUTE
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MUNYONYO
KAMPALA

Tuesday 29th September
to Saturday 3rd October

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A Personal Invitation



Emmanuel Katongole
RID 2026-28 and Convener

It is with great anticipation that I invite Rotary leaders and members from across the world in general and Africa in particular to Uganda—the Pearl of Africa, for the 7th All Africa Rotary Zone Institute, to be held from 29th September to 3rd October 2026

This Institute will serve as a strategic platform for leadership development, collaboration, and forward-looking dialogue on Rotary's role in creating lasting impact across the Africa continent.

Through high-level learning sessions, thought-provoking conversations, speeches and shared experiences, participants will deepen their understanding of effective leadership while strengthening partnerships that transcend districts and borders.

Uganda provides an inspiring setting for this continental gathering; rich in diversity, warmth, and a deep-rooted culture of service. Beyond the programme, the Institute will foster fellowship, unity, and a renewed commitment to Rotary's values and vision.

I look forward to welcoming you as we come together to shape the future of Rotary in Africa.



Geeta Manek
Co-Convener

On behalf of the Organising Committee, it is my great pleasure to extend a warm and enthusiastic invitation to Rotarians, Well-wishers and partners of Rotary International to the 7th All Africa Rotary Zone Institute. Preparations are ongoing, and the excitement is building as we plan what promises to be one of the most inspiring and memorable Rotary Institutes ever held on the African continent. Under our theme, Africa Rising, we look forward to celebrating Africa's leadership, innovation, and growing impact within Rotary and beyond.

The Institute will be a powerful moment to reconnect, collaborate, and be inspired alongside our dedicated Rotary leaders. We eagerly look forward to welcoming you to Kampala with great excitement and anticipation for fellowship, learning, and a truly unforgettable Rotary experience.

Goodwill Message



Mike Kennedy Sebalu
Co-Chair

The 7th All Africa Rotary Zone Institute is not just another Institute it is a once-in-a-lifetime. Rotary experience, the kind that stays with you long after it ends and is truly worth writing home about. This historic gathering presents a rare opportunity to interact, engage, and learn from the who's who of Rotary International—the very best of global Rotary leadership.

*Confirmed participants include Rotary International President Yinka Babalola, Rotary International Director-Elect Emmanuel Katongole, Trustee Ijeoma Pearl Okoro, Trustee-Elect Tusu Tsubira, alongside a distinguished host of Directors, Trustees, and senior Rotary leaders from across the world. *

Such moments do not come often. They must be seized without delay. The question I pose to every Rotarian is simple: If you are not part of this Zone Institute, where will you be when Rotary Africa is shaping its future? Being present matters—because this is where connections are strengthened, ideas are born, and leadership is sharpened.

I therefore invite you to do the right thing, in the right way—make the necessary preparations and join us in Munyonyo, Kampala, for what promises to be the biggest and most impactful Rotary gathering on the African continent. Do not miss it. Be part of history. Be part of Africa Rising and grow to serve.



Peace Taremwa
Co-Chair

Uganda has been granted this rare opportunity to host the 7th All Africa Zone Institute. It's not only an asset to Rotary and what it stands for in Uganda and the rising Africa but it provides an opportunity to interface with current and future partners in projects. I invite all of us to register and pay in time to also enjoy the sharing by our great leaders who include Rotary President Yinka. If you have been hosted by convenors PRID Geeta or RIDE Emmanuel, you are sure of a red-carpet, top-notch welcome for all the delegates and if not, your opportunity is here. Miss not.



Connect Learn Rise

WHAT IS THE ZONE INSTITUTE?

The Zone Institute is a critical meeting that brings together all Rotarians in Africa. When clubs combine, they form a District; when Districts combine, they form a Zone; when Zones combine, they form Rotary International. Like a Club Assembly at Club level where club members meet and discuss their issues - Core values, Fellowship, expanding our reach, increasing our impact to change how Rotary is seen; the district hosts a District Conference, the Zone hosts a Zone Institute and Rotary International hosts a Rotary Convention. There are 34 Zones of Rotary International and Africa is in Zone 22.

WHO ATTENDS THE ZONE INSTITUTE?

Traditionally Zone Institutes were training grounds for District Governor Elects and District Governor Nominees, all Past Rotary International Officers and Past District Governors. Over time this has changed and it officially opened for all Rotarians.

DATES OF THE ZONE INSTITUTE

The 7th All Africa Zone Institute 2026 will take place from September 29 – October 3, 2026, at Speke Resort Munyonyo in Kampala, Uganda

REGISTER TO ATTEND
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WHY SHOULD YOU ATTEND?

Attending the 7th All Africa Zone Institute 2026 will be a great privilege because:

- It will be presided over by our own Olayinka (Yinka) Hakeem Babalola who will be the Rotary International President after more than 20 years without a President of Rotary International from Africa.
- The Convener is Rotary International Director Emmanuel Katongole, and not only the Convener but also a Representative of the Zone Africa on the re-zoning committee of Rotary International.
- Two African Trustees – Trustee Pearl Ijeoma and Trustee Francis Tsubira (Tusu) have confirmed their attendance.
- There are networking opportunities with the world leaders of Rotary International both past and present.
- Participants benefit from the intensive hands-on training. The knowledge and tools gained at the Zone Institute allows members to build strong clubs in membership.
- The cost is manageable. When a Zone Institute is hosted in a particular country, the host members' cost becomes manageable compared to a Zone Institute away from home.
- Participants join others to celebrate the achievements in Foundation Giving



Speke Resort and Convention Center



PROVISIONAL EVENTS FOR THE ZONE INSTITUTE

September 28, 2026

Arrival of registered delegates across the Zone and beyond.

September 29-30, 2026

By Invitation only:

Training strictly for District Governor Elects, District Governor Nominees, their Spouses and partners.

October 1, 2026

Open for All Rotarians; Trainings in: TRF, Membership, Polio, International Service, Council of Legislation and Rotaract.

Welcome Dinner/Reception for the Zone Institute

October 2-3, 2026

Official opening & Zone Institute for all registered delegates.

October 3, 2026

(Zone Institute continues)

- Business Breakfast
- Football and Golf Tournament.
- Grand Gala Dinner

REGISTRATION

Delegates are strongly encouraged to pre-register and pay using the link below by May 31, 2026: africazoneinstitute.org

INSTITUTE LANGUAGES

The institute will be conducted in English and French.

TRANSPORT TO THE INSTITUTE VENUE

Participants are encouraged to make their own travel arrangements to and from their respective destinations to the Hotel Venue. Transportation will be arranged through hotels, airport taxis or Uber. Travel from Entebbe Airport to Munyonyo, venue for the Institute is 38km and it takes approximately 37 minutes via the Entebbe Express highway. A taxi from Entebbe Airport to Munyonyo will cost approximately US\$30.

TRAVEL WITHIN THE COUNTRY

Travel within the country is largely by road. One can take a bus, a public commuter, commonly known as Taxi, or charter a flight to any of the more than 25 aerodromes, 13 of them managed by Uganda Civil Aviation Authority (UCAA).

“Special hire” taxi cabs are available at your hotel. Motorcycle “taxis” commonly known as boda-bodas are a common transport means in Kampala and often beat the traffic snarl-ups but may not be safe.

Uber and Bolt apps are available too.

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MUNYONYO SPEKE RESORT:

ROOM TYPE	ROUND OFF RATE US\$
Single Deluxe Rooms Bed & Breakfast – 1 Pax	72.00
Deluxe Rooms Bed & Breakfast – 2 Pax	113.00
Superior Rooms Bed & Breakfast – 2 Pax	154.00
Exclusive Rooms Bed & Breakfast – 2 Pax	154.00
Exclusive Suits Bed & Breakfast – 2 Pax	257.00
Presidential Suits Bed & Breakfast – 4 Pax	711.00
Follow Link to Pay: https://spekeresort.com/rd25/	

CASA SOLADA HOTEL

ROOM TYPE	ROUND OFF RATE US\$
18 Executive Rooms 1 King Bed or 2 Single beds	195
Deluxe Executive Rooms	234
Penthouse Suites	325
4 Bedrooms apartments with 2 bedrooms	500
Contact: Sadruga Kemigisha – 256783 023 625 fom@casasoladahotel.com	

VICTORIA TRAVEL HOTEL

ROOM TYPE	ROUND OFF RATE US\$
Double	41
Single	32
Diana – 256705941499 dianaweikama@gmail.com	
Jane Ndimbhwa (MD) – 256772483350	

SIR JOSE HOTEL

ROOM TYPE	ROUND OFF RATE US\$
Single Rooms	45
Double Rooms	65
Deluxes	70
Deluxes with Aircondition	75
Twin Rooms	70
Family Room	1000
Contact: Joseph Ssettuba; 256772500322 / 256752500322; sirjosehotel@hotmail.com	

ROYAL VIEW HOTEL

ROOM TYPE	ROUND OFF RATE US\$
Single Rooms	49
Double Rooms	68
Contact: Hotel Manager: 256784694804	

MELEY IMPALA HOTEL

ROOM TYPE	ROUND OFF RATE US\$
Single Rooms	22
Double Rooms	27
Deluxe Double	41
Contact: Manager – 256 784131354	

ALFA HOTEL MUNYONYO

ROOM TYPE	ROUND OFF RATE US\$
Single Rooms	41
Single Rooms+	54
Single Rooms++	68
Single Rooms+++	81
Contact: Alfred Tumusiime (Director) 256 784131354 Gloria Nankwanga - 256762882084	

HIVE HOTEL

ROOM TYPE	ROUND OFF RATE US\$
Single Rooms	32
Double Rooms	46
Twin Rooms	68
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IVORY CASTLE HOTEL

ROOM TYPE	ROUND OFF RATE US\$
Single Rooms	50
Deluxe Rooms	70
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AQUARIUS KIGO RESORT

ROOM TYPE	ROUND OFF RATE US\$
Deluxe Rooms	180
Twin Rooms	140
Assistant Manager – 256 751 493 151	

LAKE VICTORIA SERENA

ROOM TYPE	ROUND OFF RATE US\$
Standard Rooms	303
Executive Rooms	402
State Suites	1,240
William Mpungu – 256 751 705 513	

LE PETIT VILLAGE HOTEL

ROOM TYPE	ROUND OFF RATE US\$
Room Range	180-240
Business Wing	240
Couple Rate	200
Contact: Brian Jjuuko – 256 781 494 909	

LAS VEGAS - BBUNGA

ROOM TYPE	ROUND OFF RATE US\$
Standard Rate	81
Discounted Zone Rate	66
Contact: Edwin Bwire – 256 772 695 607	

BUZIGA COUNTRY RESORT

ROOM TYPE	ROUND OFF RATE US\$
Single Rooms	32
Double Rooms	81
Twin Rooms	41
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Key Information to Know Before Traveling

ENTRY VISA

- Nationals of the following countries do not need Visas to enter Uganda:
 - EAC (Tanzania, Rwanda, Kenya, Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo, and South Sudan).
 - COMESA (Angola, Eritrea, Malawi, Madagascar, Seychelles, Swaziland, Zambia, Comoros, Kenya, Mauritius, Zimbabwe, Botswana).
 - Others are Antigua, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Botswana, Cyprus, Fiji, Gambia, Grenada, Hong- Kong, Ireland, Jamaica, Malaysia, Lesotho, Malta, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Solomon Islands, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Vatican, Ghana, Vanuatu and Libya.
 - UNLP Holders, Diplomatic Passport Holders AU Passport Holders and Consular Passport Holders also do not need visas.
 - All other persons from visa prone countries are required to apply online prior to travel at www.visas.immigration.go.ug and will receive a notification which they must print and travel with as travel authorization. The Single-Entry Visa charge to Uganda is US\$ 50. Visas can be obtained on arrival; However, facilities may be limited and passengers may experience delays. We strongly encourage prior online application.

TELEPHONE

Worldwide direct connections are available. From abroad, dial +256 followed by the local number. Three mobile phone companies: MTN-Uganda, Uganda Telecom and Airtel offer a wide range of telecom and internet services across the country.

ELECTRICITY SUPPLY

230/245 volts at 50Hz. British-type three-pin plugs used.

SECURITY

The country is peaceful and secure almost all the time. It is however advisable to consult the Hotel concierge before venturing out late night. In case of trouble the Police can be reached on 999 or 112 for mobile phones. As in any foreign country, be security cautious.

HOTEL INFORMATION

Delegates are requested to make their own hotel reservations and indicate that they are attending the Zone Institute to take advantage of the special accommodation rates for Rotary Uganda. A list of recommended hotels is indicated below. Delegates are advised to confirm their hotel reservations early to avoid last-minute inconveniences.

WEATHER AND CLOTHING

The tag, 'The Pearl of Africa' by wartime British Prime Minister Winston Churchill was derived from the country's equatorial climate moderated by altitude. Rain normally comes between March and May and September to November. Kampala temperatures range between 21°C and 28°C. During most months warm clothing is not necessary. Uganda lies along the Equator and is within the East African Time zone - i.e GMT+3.

HEALTH

All persons travelling to Uganda MUST carry valid Yellow Fever Vaccination cards administered at least ten (10) days before entry into Uganda. Unvaccinated passengers may be inoculated at Entebbe International Airport on arrival at a fee of US dollars forty (40).

BANKS AND CURRENCY

The country's legal tender, the Uganda shilling, is based on the decimal system in denominations of 1,000, 2,000, 5,000, 10,000, 20,000 and 50,000. Coins most popularly used are in denominations of 100, 200, 500 and 1,000 shillings.

- Most commercial banks handle and convert major international currencies. Banks open from Monday to Friday; 8:30 a.m. to 4:00p.m with some Banks open on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

- Forex Bureaux are also available in Kampala and other towns. Visitors are advised to deal with Bureaux with a valid and displayed licence. The current exchange rate is about \$1 = Ug shs 3700/=.

Explore magnificent Uganda



TOURIST INFORMATION

The main tourist attractions are; Uganda Wildlife Education Centre (Zoo) in Entebbe, Uganda Martyrs Shrine in Munyonyo, the Uganda Martyrs' Basilica in Kampala, the Kasubi Tombs, the Source of the River Nile in Jinja town, Mountain Gorillas, the Rwenzori Mountain ranges, and 10 National Parks spread around the country that will provide memorable moments for a visitor after the Workshop.

Uganda is 'The Pearl of Africa', a name given by Winston Churchill because of its rare natural beauty, freshness, and vibrant spirit. Uganda has amazing features of attraction with 10 national parks, 13 game reserves and several national forests. More than half of the world's Gorillas are in Uganda, along with Chimpanzees and Golden monkeys. The River Nile with its source on Lake Victoria in Jinja is a setting for some of the world's best white-water rafting. You find the snow-capped Rwenzori Mountains, the Virunga Volcanoes, and Mount Elgon, all with spectacular hiking opportunities and gorgeous scenery. The Ssesse Islands found in Kalangala district on Lake Victoria consist of 84 islands that make for a perfect getaway to unique and quiet pristine beaches.

Uganda has a multitude of cultural tourism sites and events reflecting the diversity of over 50 tribes. The country has many chiefdom's and kingdoms with a rich history from the past. They have no political powers but have cultural influence. The current Kingdoms are mainly Bantu – Kingdoms of Buganda, Bunyoro, Busoga and Tooro. According to tradition, these centuries old Kingdoms arose from the medieval kingdoms of Batembuzi and Bacwezi.



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