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First Announcement and Call for Papers

International Seminar on Performance and Governance of Road and Transport Administrations

Arusha, Tanzania

Tuesday 24 – Thursday 26 September 2013

Technical tour on Friday 27 September 2013

Organised in cooperation with:

World Road Association (PIARC)

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SEMINAR OVERVIEW

The World Road Association in conjunction with the African Road Maintenance Funds Association (ARMFA) and supported by the Ministry of Works of Tanzania, are pleased to announce an International Seminar on Performance and Governance of Road and Transport Administrations.

This seminar is part of the International Seminars Program promoted by the World Road Association. The seminar provides you with an excellent opportunity to share your expertise and experiences and to identify challenges and explore with colleagues innovative solutions for the benefit of all conference delegates.

The primary objective of the seminar is to exchange information on the establishment of tools to measure the performance of transport administrations and best practice for good governance. Delegates will walk away with:

- A clear understanding of how performance management can improve the effectiveness of roads to our communities
- An appreciation of the importance of communicating agency performance with others along with some tried and tested approaches locally and from around the world
- Tools to implement a performance management system or framework
- A new approach and tools around supporting good governance
- A shared understanding on the future global direction of road and transport administrations

The Seminar is open to members of the international road and transport community who are interested in gaining and sharing knowledge on Performance measurement and best practice in governance. The participation of local communities and practitioners in the whole process is an important and integral part of the overall seminar program.

SEMINAR TOPICS

The seminar provides an opportunity for speakers to address both technical and management issues broadly based around but not limited to the following:

- Organizational structure and governance
- Governance indicators
- Performance management frameworks
- Fighting corruption in the road and transport sectors
- Capturing data, creating information and using results to support decision making
- Communication and telling the performance story
- Delivery effectiveness and efficiency
- Performance of Road and Transport Administrations in Africa: Lessons learnt and shared

The Seminar will feature:

- Plenary presentations by national and international speakers
- Plenary panel discussions
- Facilitated theme-specific workshops
- Daily plenary conclusions and resolutions
- Technical tour.

Social events to enable networking and further opportunities to explore topics discussed during the various sessions will be arranged to maximize the benefit that all delegates will get from attending the seminar.

SEMINAR VENUE

The seminar will take place from Tuesday 24th to Thursday 26th September 2013 at Naura Springs Hotel in the City of Arusha, Tanzania. The seminar will be followed on Friday 27 September by a technical visit to be arranged around Arusha City.

Hotel

Naura Springs Hotel is located on East Africa Community Road Plot Number 29 just off Nairobi Road in the Heart of Arusha City, and overlooking the magnificent Mount Meru and Mount Kilimanjaro

Hotel website: <http://www.nauraspringshotel.com/>

Languages

The official language of the seminar will be English with simultaneous translation into French.

DELEGATES TO THE SEMINAR

The organizing committee anticipates that there will be strong attendance at the seminar with representation from:

- Members of the World Road Association Technical Committee on Performance of Transport Administrations including representatives from the United States of America, Europe, Australia, Japan and South Africa.
- Ministries, organizations and standard-setting bodies from across Africa
- Representatives of international multilateral funding agencies.
- Community development specialists and groups and associations that have a special interest in performance management and good governance.
- Staff members of Road Authorities and Road Funds

GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS

The following is due by 15 May 2013

- A short abstract not to exceed 300 words describing the scope of the paper and its main conclusions
- A brief biography and author contact details including author's position, organization, address, facsimile number and email if available

Please forward your abstract and brief biography to the technical committee Chair, preferably in electronic format, to: organisingcommitteearusha@gmail.com

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IMPORTANT DATES

Date	Event
15 May 2013	Submission of abstract and biography
15 June 2013	Authors advised of selection
15 August 2013	Submission of final paper
24 – 26 September	Seminar
27 September	Technical tour

PIARC Special Fund

The PIARC Special Fund can cover up to 100% of travel expenses or up to 100% of the accommodation costs of participants from developing countries (lower middle income and low income countries). It can cover the cost of one participant per PIARC member subject to the agreement of the First Delegate. Requests for Special Fund assistance should be made by the First Delegate to the PIARC General Secretariat e-mail: info@piarc.org

REGISTRATION form and fees will be published in the second Announcement in May 2013.

TRAVEL INFORMATION

Access: Sources: <http://wikitravel.org/en/Arusha>

Arusha is served by two airports:

Kilimanjaro International Airport (JRO) has regular flights to Amsterdam with KLM, and to Addis Ababa, Dar es Salaam, Zanzibar and Nairobi. Kilimanjaro Airport is approximately 60 km (45 min) from the city centre. A taxi ride costs US\$50 but many airlines run a shuttle service for free or US\$10.

Arusha Municipal Airport (ARK) is on the outskirts of the city but only runs domestic flights, mostly to Zanzibar and Dar es Salaam, and charters. Air viva offers regular flights between Arusha and Dar es Salaam, Zanzibar and Kilimanjaro.

Arusha can be reached by express coach from Nairobi (Kenya, 6 hr), Dar es Salaam (12 hr), and Kampala (Uganda, 17 hr) with direct services also available from Mwanza, Tanga, and Lushoto.

Visa

Requirements/Guidelines for obtaining visa for Tanzania

Australian, New Zealand, British, Canadian and EU nationals, among other nationalities need to obtain a visa for Tanzania prior to travel. Applicants are advised to apply early to avoid last minute delays.

Exemption of Visa

Currently, the nationals of the following countries do not need a visa for travel to Tanzania: Botswana, Gambia, Ghana, Hong Kong (Special Administrative Region of China), Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Rwanda, Swaziland, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

Vaccinations

Since Tanzania is in the list of yellow fever endemic zone, it is advisable to have a vaccination. A doctor's letter of exemption or medical certificate may be carried by those travellers who are unable to obtain vaccinations due to personal medical conditions.

Arusha City

Arusha is a city in northern Tanzania. It is the capital of the Arusha Region and is surrounded by some of Africa's most famous natural landscapes and national parks. The place is a haven for all tourists who love nature and wildlife, be they young or old. Arusha is also a great destination for family vacations. Situated below Mount Meru on the eastern edge of the eastern branch of the Great Rift Valley, it has a mild climate and is close to Serengeti, Ngorongoro Crater, Lake Manyara, Olduvai Gorge, Tarangire National Park, and Mount Kilimanjaro which is the highest mountain in Africa, as well as having its own Arusha National Park on Mount Meru. Arusha is the starting off point for safaris in Northern Tanzania (Serengeti, Ngorongoro) as well as those attempting to climb Mount Kilimanjaro and Mount Meru. Arusha is also a home of the famous Maasai tribe, one of the few African tribes, which have maintained their traditional customs and values, free from Western influence. Arusha is a major international diplomatic hub. The city hosts and is regarded as the de facto capital of the East African Community. Since 1994, the city has also hosted the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda. It is a multicultural city with a majority African population, large Arab and Indian minorities, and many European and American expatriates, engaged in diplomatic affairs and the fast-growing local tourist industry. Religions and denominations of Arusha's population are Catholic, Anglican, Jewish, Muslim, and Hindu. The Organising Committee will be pleased to arrange for a tour on attractions around Arusha. The costs involved will be communicated depending on the area to be visited.

The Weather

Despite its proximity to the equator, Arusha's elevation of 1,400 m on the southern slopes of Mount Meru, Tanzania's second highest mountain keeps temperatures relatively low and alleviates humidity. Cool dry air is prevalent for much of the year. The temperature ranges between 13 and 30 degrees Celsius with an average around 25 degrees. It has distinct wet and dry seasons, and experiences an eastern prevailing wind from the Indian Ocean, a couple of hundred miles east. More details on the average weather data in Arusha visit www.weatherreports.com

Further travel information can be found on:

<http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/tanzania.htm>

<http://www.fco.gov.uk/en/travel-and-living-abroad/travel-advice-by-country/sub-saharan-africa/tanzania>

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