



AIS'26 Security, Safety and Travel Advisory

The safety and well-being of all participants remains a top priority for the Africa Internet Summit 2026 (AIS'26). An independent Security and Safety Assessment of the event venue, Emara Ole Sereni Hotel, and its surrounding environment has been conducted to evaluate the suitability of Nairobi as the host location for AIS'26.

The assessment concluded that Emara Ole Sereni and Ole Sereni Hotels provide a secure and professionally managed environment for hosting an international event of this scale. The venue benefits from comprehensive security measures, including 24-hour security operations, controlled access points, CCTV surveillance, dedicated security personnel, on-site armed police support, emergency response procedures, and close coordination with local security and emergency services.

Security Environment

Nairobi's overall security environment is assessed as moderate and comparable to many major international cities. The primary risks identified for delegates relate to traffic congestion, opportunistic crime during movement, and potential disruptions caused by demonstrations or civil unrest in parts of the city. Importantly, the assessment notes that the AIS'26 venue is located outside Nairobi's traditional protest areas and is unlikely to be directly affected by demonstrations. Any impact is expected to be limited to possible traffic delays or disruptions to movement within the city.

Delegates are encouraged to:

Use official event transport or trusted transport providers.

Allow additional travel time, particularly for airport transfers and movement during peak traffic periods.

Remain aware of local developments and follow any guidance provided by event organisers.

Exercise normal precautions when visiting public areas outside the conference venue.



Health and Medical Preparedness

The assessment also reviewed public health considerations, including the regional Ebola situation. At the time of the assessment, there were no reported Ebola cases in Nairobi, and the risk to delegates was assessed as low. Kenyan authorities continue to maintain surveillance and preparedness measures and may implement additional screening procedures if required by evolving public health circumstances.

Delegates are advised to:

Ensure they have valid travel and medical insurance, including medical evacuation coverage where appropriate.

Verify any applicable vaccination or entry requirements before travel.

Follow any health advisories issued by Kenyan authorities or AIS'26 organisers.

Familiarise themselves with available medical facilities and emergency procedures during the event.

Travel and Movement

The venue's location near Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA) provides convenient access for international travellers. While Nairobi's road network can experience congestion, the venue benefits from multiple access routes and established security arrangements designed to support the safe movement of delegates.

Overall Assessment

The independent assessment concludes that AIS'26 can be safely hosted in Nairobi and that the overall risk profile is acceptable and manageable for an international conference. The venue, supporting infrastructure, and security arrangements provide a strong foundation for the successful delivery of the event. Organisers will continue to monitor security, health, and travel developments and will keep delegates informed of any updates that may affect their participation.

We look forward to welcoming you to Nairobi for AIS'26. Safe travels, and thank you for being part of Africa's premier Internet industry gathering.