



Country Information Pack

International Telecommunications Union – Africa Broadband Maps National Event

**5-7 August 2025, Nigerian Communications
Commission Headquarters**

About Nigeria

Nigeria is situated in West Africa and covers an area of about 924 000 sq. km. (356 700 sq. mi.). It comprises of 36 states and the Federal Capital Territory (FCT), Abuja. It has many natural landmarks and wildlife reserves protected areas such as Cross River National Park and Yankari National Park have waterfalls, dense rainforest, savanna and rare primate habitats. One of the most recognizable sites is Zuma Rock, a 725m-tall monolith outside the capital of Abuja.

Geography and Connectivity

Nigeria is bounded in the West by the Republic of Benin and Niger Republic in the East by the Republic of Cameroon; on the North by Niger and Chad Republic and the South by the Gulf of Guinea. It is Africa's most populous country, with Hausa, Igbo and Yoruba as the three largest ethnic groups made up of mostly Christians and Muslims with a very small minority who practice traditional and other religions. English is the official language and Hausa, Yoruba, Igbo (Ibo), Fulani as well as over 450 additional indigenous languages are spoken here. It is a diverse nation with over 250 ethnic groups, each with its unique culture, languages, and traditions. It boasts a vibrant arts and entertainment scene, renowned for its literature, music (including Afrobeat), and film industry (Nollywood), which has gained international recognition. Nigeria is a major player in the continent's political, economic, and cultural landscape and continues to strive for stability, development and unity while celebrating its rich heritage. Nigeria benefits from an expanding transport and communication infrastructure, connecting it efficiently with neighbouring ECOWAS countries. In terms of digital infrastructure, Nigeria ranks among the top in region for internet connectivity and ICT penetration.

Economic Structure

The economy of Nigeria is heavily reliant on Oil and Gas, and Agriculture, which constitute a significant share of national revenue. Nigeria has been actively diversifying its economy, with the services sector (banking, telecommunications, trade and entertainment) emerging as a key growth driver and expected to surpass traditional sectors in the near future.

Practical Information - Abuja, Nigeria

Introduction

The Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC) will be hosting the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) Africa Broadband Maps National Event from 5-7 August 2025 at The Envoy Hotel.

Venue and Programme of Events

The meeting will be held at The Envoy Hotel, located at 305 Diplomatic Drive Central Business District Abuja, FCT.

Programme

The Draft Agenda/Work Programme of the Exercise will be availed soon.

Official Opening Ceremony

The official opening and leadership meet-and-greet will take place on the morning of 5th August 2025 at the venue. Other activities will follow the programme.

Travel and Airport Transfers

Participants are responsible for arranging their travel to and from Abuja, Nigeria. Delegates are requested to provide their travel information, including flight number, arrival and departure dates and times to ituraki@ncc.gov.ng and mjibril@ncc.gov.ng.

Delegates will be provided with transport for pick-up to their accommodation upon arrival and drop-off to Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport Abuja upon departure.

Departure

Delegates departing from Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport Abuja must complete security and immigration clearance procedures.

Please arrive at the airport at least 2 hours before departure. Delegates should check their airline's baggage policy to avoid issues or fees related to luggage weight and size restrictions.

Customs Procedures

Standard customs procedures will be applied to all delegates.

VISA Requirements

All delegates entering Nigeria must hold a valid national passport **(valid for at least 6 months beyond the return date)**. **The use of temporary passports or emergency travel documents will not be acceptable.**

Participants are encouraged to submit visa applications via the online platform and keep note of their Reference numbers. The VISA Invitation letter will be attached to the event invitation letter.

To apply for a Nigerian visa, kindly use the following link: visa.immigration.gov.ng

NB: Please note that Visa fees are non-refundable and varies on countries

If you have previously applied for a visa to Nigeria, please include a copy of your prior

decision to expedite the process.

ACCOMMODATION

Participants are responsible for meeting their accommodation costs. While there are many hotels and lodges available in Abuja, rates have been sought from the hotels listed at the end of this administrative note because of their nearness to the venue of the Conference.

MEASURES ON COVID19

Nigeria has lifted all COVID-19 restrictions. However, delegates with COVID-19 vaccination certificates are encouraged to carry them. Wearing of face masks is not required in Nigeria and is at the discretion of each delegate.

LOGISTICS AND ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES

Yellow fever certificates

A yellow fever vaccination certificate may be required to enter the Nigeria for delegates coming from yellow fever endemic areas, from any country where yellow fever is being transmitted, or for those who have travelled through these areas in the last 72 hours.

The following instructions will apply:

Entry will be granted to a delegate who, on arrival, presents the following documents:

- A valid yellow fever vaccination certificate
- No fever (less than 38.5° C)
- Consent to report any symptoms for six (6) days.

Guests are required to be vaccinated at least ten days before entering the Nigeria.

General Information

The following is general information on Nigeria:

Time Zone

The standard time zone in Nigeria is GMT +1. There are no daylight-saving time arrangements.

Climate and Weather

Nigeria's climate varies by region globally, Equatorial regions (like Nigeria's south) have rainforests and heavy rainfall, Desert regions (like the Sahara or Middle East) are hot and extremely dry. Though it is typically hot and dry and humid for much of the year, there is a rainy season, which runs through the months. Rainfall tends to be predictable and often varies significantly between regions. A heavy downpour may occur in one area while nearby locations remain completely dry. Showers may be followed by intense sunshine, meaning much of the precipitation can be lost to evaporation and transpiration before it penetrates the ground.

- The summer season begins in March and ends in November. This period usually brings high temperatures and heavy rains. However, rainfall and cloud cover can bring temporary relief from heat.
- The Harmattan season - characterized by dry, dusty and cold winds - starts in November and ends in February. It is generally

You may refer to the following link for up-to-date weather forecasts:

<https://www.accuweather.com/en/ng/abuja/254085/weather-forecast/254085>

Currency and Banking Services

The official currency is the Naira

Example exchange rates:

USD 1 = N1, 550

EUR 1 = N1, 950

Major international credit cards are widely accepted.

Most banks are open from 8:00am to 4:00pm Monday through Friday.

Forex bureaux are open from 8:00am to 4:00pm, Monday through Sunday.

Electricity



Nigeria uses 230 Volts, 50 Hz. You may need adapters if using 110V equipment. Most hotels provide adapters, but bringing your own is advised.

Drinking Water

Tap water is unsafe to drink. Bottled water is available in all hotels, restaurants, and shops.

Internet Connectivity

Connectivity will be available at the meeting venue. It may require payment in some hotels.

Please note that prices are approximate and may vary based on the season and availability.

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Police: 199

Fire: 112

Paramedical and first aid services: 112

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RECOMMENDED HOTELS

Hotel Names	Time/Distance to NCC Office, Mborara (Venue)	Star ratings	Room rates in Naira (₦)	Address	Contact
The Envoy Hotel	Venue of the Workshop	4 star	₦ 150,000 to ₦ 180,000	305 Diplomatic Drive, Abuja, Federal Capital Territory	www.theenvoyabuja.com Reservations@theenvoyabuja.ng 08188009202 & 08188009213 (Available on Whatsapp)
Transcorp Hilton Abuja	8mins 5.8km	5 star	₦ 400,000 - ₦ 600,000	1 Aguiyi Ironsi Way, Maitama, Abuja	www.hilton.com/chukwudi.ama di@hilton.com +2348036259962 (Available on Whatsapp)

Abuja Cotinental Hotel	7mins 4.7km	4 star	₦ 190,500 - ₦ 238,500	1 Ladi Kwali Street, Wuse Zone 4	precious.ihedioha@abujacotinental.com +234 903 660 5213 (Available on Whatsapp) http://www.abujacotinental.com/
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Hotel Names	Time/Distance to Transcorp Hilton (Venue)	Star ratings	Room rates in Naira (₦)	Address	Contact
Fraser Suites	7mins 4.3 km	4 Star	₦ 350,834	Plot 294 Leventis Close, CBD, Abuja	Janet.osakwe@frasershospitality.com +2348087987 162 (Available on Whatsapp) www.frasershospitality.com

Yellow Door Apartments	9mins 6.6km	3 star	₦ 80, 000 to ₦ 110, 000	19 Thaba Tseka Street, Wuse II	+234708 999 9907 (Available on Whatsapp) Hello@yellowdoor.ng ydmal001@gmail.com
Meethaq Hotels	10mins 7.2 km	3.5 star	₦110,625.00 – ₦261,325.00	683 Cadastral Zone, Jabi, Abuja	Williams.kyaagba@meethaqhotels.com meethaqfrontdesk@gmail.com +2348175094 500 +2347080002 433 (All available on Whatsapp)

Brickpoint Apartments	21mins 18.8km	4 star	₦ 235,000 to ₦ 350,000	24 Jose Marti Street, Asokoro, Abuja	https://www.brickspoint.co m/ bd@brickspoint.com bd.brickspoint@gmail.com +23480 223 503 27 (Also Available on Whatsapp)
Nordic Hotel	11mins 10.4 km	3 star	₦ 150,000	1322 Shehu Yaradua Way, Mabushi, Abuja	info@nordichotelsnigeria.com +2348099944 480 https://nordichotelsnigeria.com/
Hotel Names	Time/Distance to Transcorp Hilton (Venue)	Star ratings	Room rates in Naira (₦)	Address	Contact

SV Chrome	12mins 11.8km	3 star	₦ 65,000 - ₦ 120,000	101 Ebitu Ukiwe Street, Jabi, Abuja	https://www.svhotelsng.com/ booking@svhotelsng.com +2348038970704 +2349032673034 (All available on whatsapp)
Tree House Boutique	12mins 12.7km	3 Star	₦ 112,000 - ₦ 151,000	51 Alex Ekwueme Way, Jabi, Abuja	https://treehousehotelng.com/ treehouseboutiquehoteltd@gmail.com +2349132224042 Also available on whatsapp)

REGISTRATION FORM

Full Names	Email	Organisation	Country	Hotel Booked	Arrival Date and Time	Departure Date and Time	Flight Number

ANNEURE 1: PHOTOS OF THE ENVOY HOTEL ABUJA



