



## PRACTICAL INFORMATION

### VENUE

High-Level segment and working sessions of the GCF Structured Dialogue with Africa will take place on 3-6 April 2018 at Hotel de L'Amitié in Bamako, Mali.

Attendance to the event is by invitation only.

Hotel address: Avenue de la Marne, Centre-Ville, Bamako  
Phone number: (223) 44 97 53 00



### VISA & IMMIGRATION

All International air travelers are required to hold a valid passport and a vaccination card.

#### **Please note the following information regarding the visa arrangements:**

Participants from countries that are not on the list of exempt countries<sup>1</sup> are required to apply for a visa upon arrival through the following process.

- All registered participants are requested to send a photocopy of their passport (photo page) to [gcf-events@gcfund.org](mailto:gcf-events@gcfund.org) by **Thursday 29 March at the latest**. Visa support cannot be guaranteed after this deadline.
- Visa letters will be issued by the authorities of Mali and sent to participants electronically. Please print the letter as it will be required for check in at the airport of departure and might be required in transit.
- Original letters will be at the visa desk upon arrival at the airport of Bamako. Formalities will involve taking fingerprints and a photo at the visa desk. Participants' passports will be stamped at the border control.
- Please note that the process involves collecting participants' passports during the Structured Dialogue at the venue, in order to put an actual visa sticker in the passport. Passports will be collected on the first day of the event before lunch, and returned before the end of the afternoon session on the same day.

For any further clarifications please contact:

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Please note that evidence of yellow fever vaccination is required. Participants are also responsible for obtaining any transit visas if necessary.

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<sup>1</sup> An informal list of countries exempt from visa requirements for Mali is available on [Wikipedia](#)



## ACCOMMODATION ARRANGEMENTS

All sponsored participants have rooms booked and paid for by GCF at Hotel de l'Amitié.

Non-sponsored participants are encouraged to consider the options for accommodation included at the end of this note.

Sponsored participants are provided with a daily subsistence allowance (DSA) for the duration of their stay. Please note that relevant deductions will be applied for the accommodation and meals provided during the event.

## TRANSPORTATION FROM & TO AIRPORT

Transportation from the airport to the hotel will be provided to all participants, as per the following conditions:

- Sponsored participants will have their flights arranged by our delivery partner for the event, UNDP Mali. Their respective flight details will be used for the transportation planning directly by the organizers.
- Self-supporting participants (**only**) are kindly requested to forward their arrival and departure details to Mr Lassina Coulibaly at [coulibalylassina@gmail.com](mailto:coulibalylassina@gmail.com).

There will be a representative of the Host Government in the arrivals hall of the airport, with a sign containing the GCF Logo and full name of the event: GCF Structured Dialogue with Africa.

## SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS

The Government of Mali is coordinating the security arrangements for the event, which include transportation between the airport and recommended hotels (listed at the end of this document), transportation between Hotel de L'Amitie and other recommended hotels, security arrangements at Hotel de L'Amitie and other recommended hotels, transportation to the social events.

Participants will be transported by shuttle buses, Ministers will be provided with separate protocol arrangements and individual transportation.

## SOCIAL EVENTS

The President of the Republic of Mali will host a welcoming reception for all participants on 3 April at the Presidential Palace.

The Minister of Environment will host a dinner reception for all participants on 4 April at Conservatoire des Arts et Métiers Multimédia Balla Fasséké Kouyaté.

The GCF will host a closing dinner reception for all participants on 6 April at Hotel de L'Amitie (venue of the Structured Dialogue).



## MISCELLANEOUS

### **Time Difference**

Time Zone for Mali is UTC/GMT.

### **Weather**

The month of April is characterized by a constant daily high temperature of 40°C and a low of 25°C.

### **Currency**

The currency in Mali is West African CFA franc. 1 USD equals approximately 534 CFA. ATM machines are available at the hotel.

### **Electricity**

Electricity in Mali is 220 Volts at 50 Hz. Power sockets used are the same as in EU (two rounded blades).

### **Mobile Phones**

The country code for Mali is +223.

Local SIM cards from can be purchased at the Hotel.

### **Emergency phone numbers**

Police (+223) 80 00 11 15

Fire Department and Medical Emergencies Services (+223)80 00 11 16

## DRESS CODE

The dress code for the Dialogue is smart casual. Formal attire is recommended during the High-level segment.

## SOCIAL MEDIA

The GCF will be communicating about the Dialogue via its social media channels (Twitter: [twitter.com/GCF\\_News](https://twitter.com/GCF_News) and Instagram: [Instagram.com/greenclimatefund](https://www.instagram.com/greenclimatefund)) as well as the GCF Structured Dialogue web page: <http://www.greenclimate.fund/meetings/2018/bamako>

## EVENT CONTACTS

Should there be any queries, participants are requested to contact:

Mr Marsel Kuzyakov, GCF Events Coordinator	<a href="mailto:gcf-events@gcfund.org">gcf-events@gcfund.org</a>
Mr Lassina Coulibaly, NDA Mali	<a href="mailto:coulibalylassina@gmail.com">coulibalylassina@gmail.com</a>



RECOMMENDED HOTELS FOR NON-SPONSORED PARTICIPANTS

Type of Accommodation & Location	Website & Contact Information	Room rates, incl tax
<b>Hôtel de l'Amitie (venue)</b>	Avenue de la Marne, Centre-Ville, Bamako Tél : (223) 66 75 66 29 E-mail : <a href="mailto:reservations@hotel-lamitie.com">reservations@hotel-lamitie.com</a> <a href="mailto:Filifing.coulibali@hotel-lamitie.com">Filifing.coulibali@hotel-lamitie.com</a>	<b>Standard room: XOF75500/\$120</b>
<b>Hôtel Salam</b>	Quartier du Fleuve, près Mémorial Modibo KEÏTA Tél : (223) 2022.12.00 E-mail : <a href="mailto:salamhotel@cefib.com">salamhotel@cefib.com</a> , <a href="mailto:salam@cefib.com">salam@cefib.com</a>	<b>Standard room: \$150</b>
<b>Hotel Onomo</b>	Quartier du Fleuve, Entre les rues 305-308, Bamako, Mali Tél : (+223) 20 70 62 00/ 20 22 25 74 Email : <a href="mailto:onomo.bamako@onomohotel.com">onomo.bamako@onomohotel.com</a> Web : <a href="https://www.onomohotel.com/fr/hotel/4/onomo-hotel-bamako">https://www.onomohotel.com/fr/hotel/4/onomo-hotel-bamako</a>	<b>Standard room: \$130</b>
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