

## ZAMBIA BRIEF

### 1. Introduction

The 19<sup>th</sup> WaterNet/WARFSA/GWP-SA Symposium will be held in Livingstone, Zambia from 31 October to 2 November 2018 under the theme “**Integrated Water Resources Development and Management: Managing Water for the Future in a Changing Environment in Eastern and Southern Africa**”. The University of Zambia is the lead host of the 19<sup>th</sup> WaterNet/WARFSA/GWP-SA Symposium. The Symposia have been held annually in the Eastern and Southern African regions for the past 18 years to promote interaction among policymakers, academia, practitioners from water and related sectors, and cooperating partners. Together, they identify regional issues, gaps and priorities that require further research and support. Great emphasis is placed on integration of knowledge, particularly involving scholars from the natural and social sciences.

This brief has been prepared to assist you to prepare your travel and your stay in Livingstone, Zambia.

### 2. Livingstone-The Host City

Livingstone is considered as the tourist capital of Zambia, and has a population of just over 1.3 million. Established in 1904, it was the capital of Northern Rhodesia (present Zambia) until 1935. The town was named after David Livingstone, the Victorian explorer and missionary, who visited the site in 1855. The Victoria Falls (locally known as 'Mosi-oa-tunya' - the Smoke that Thunders) lies only about 10 km from the city.

The Victoria Falls on the Zambezi River is considered as one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World and provides one of the most spectacular sceneries in Africa. It is the largest falls based on its width of over 1.7 km with a fall height of 108 m, resulting in the world's largest sheet of falling water. The waterfall is roughly twice the height of North America's Niagara Falls. There are also, famous national parks in the vicinity of Livingstone in addition to many other famous wildlife national parks in Zambia.

### 3. Travel to Lusaka and Livingstone

Kenneth Kaunda International Airport of Lusaka, the Capital of Zambia, has direct air-links to many destinations in Africa and Middle East such as Dubai, Addis Ababa, Johannesburg, Nairobi, Harare, Windhoek, Gaborone, Durban and Kigali. Similarly, Livingstone is linked with flights from Lusaka and also from Johannesburg, Nairobi and Harare. Livingstone lies about 500 km to the south west of Lusaka and is connected with an excellent highway, and it is about six (6) hours' drive by road from the capital.

### 4. Visa Requirements

Participants are advised to contact the Zambian Embassy/High Commission/Honorary Council offices in their respective countries regarding the visa requirement and for visa application to enter Zambia before their journey. Alternatively the Zambia Immigration website ([www.zambiaimmigration.gov.zm](http://www.zambiaimmigration.gov.zm)) may also be visited. Invitation letters will be issued by the organizers to the registered participants to facilitate the visa application process.

### 5. Accommodation in Livingstone

Livingstone is a principal tourist city in Zambia due to its proximity to the world famous Victoria Falls and its historic significance. Participants can find a wide choice of accommodation in the city ranging from low budget lodges to star hotels. Some of the hotels are situated in prime locations along the Zambezi River, close to the Victoria Falls. Avani is the venue of the Conference. It is a premier hotel in Livingstone with all modern conference facilities and comfortable rooms for accommodation as well. It is located within 5-minute walk to the Victoria

Falls. The organizers have secured a package for registered conference participants with discounted room rates in Avani Hotel. See below for other accommodation options.

### 5.1. Avani Victoria Falls Resort

(Total rooms: 225).

TEL: (+260) 978777044 or (+260) 213 321 122. Web: [victoriafalls@avanihotels.com](mailto:victoriafalls@avanihotels.com). Booking for the WaterNet Conference can be done [HERE](#):

Rooms	Rate in Zambian Kwacha (Inclusive of all taxes) Includes breakfast and free wifi.
Single/Double	150 USD or Kwacha equivalent



## 5.2. Chrismar Hotel

Total 75 rooms

TEL: (+260) 213 323141. Fax: +260 213 323142

Web: <http://chrismarhotels.com/hotels/livingstone/facilities/>.



Rooms	Rate in Zambian Kwacha (Inclusive of all taxes) Includes breakfast and free Wi-Fi
Single/Double	1,000

## 5.3. Fairmount Hotel

Total rooms: 107.

TEL: (+260) 213-320075 or +260-213-320723/8

Cell: (+260) 97 779 431.

Web: [www.newfairmounthotel.co.zm](http://www.newfairmounthotel.co.zm)

Rooms	Rate in USD (Inclusive of all taxes) Includes Breakfast and Free Wi-Fi
Single	50
Double	55

## 5.4. Hotel Chapa Classic Lodge

Total rooms: 25.

TEL. (+260) 0026 21-3-322065,

(+260) 97-7796 710. Web: [www.chapaclassiclodge.com](http://www.chapaclassiclodge.com)

Rooms	Rate in Zambian Kwacha (Inclusive of all taxes) Includes Breakfast and Free Wi-Fi.
Deluxe Single/Double	380
Standard Single/Double	280
Standard Twin beds	300

**6. Exchange rate (fluctuates):**

1 US\$ = Approx. 10.3 Zambian Kwacha (June 2018). Use the webpage (<https://www.xe.com/>) for the current exchange rate.

**7. Information**

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