

## Information Note

### Invitation to the Southern Africa National Malaria Programmes and Partners Annual Meeting – Harare, Zimbabwe 05-08 July 2022.

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Dear Participants,

The RBM Partnership to End Malaria, through its Country and Regional Support Partner Committee (CRSPC), is planning to conduct its annual meeting with National Malaria Programmes for countries in the Southern Africa subregion, in Harare, on 05-08 July 2022.

The meeting will provide an opportunity to engage National Malaria Control Programmes and Partners to review the status of implementation of national malaria programmes, identify major implementation bottleneck/challenges including the impact of the COVID-19, lessons learnt, and the implementation support required in 2022/2023.

Please refer to the below information on administrative and logistic arrangements made by the RBM Partnership to End Malaria / United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS) for the participants sponsored through RBM Partnership to attend the above meeting.

#### 1. VENUE

The workshop and meeting will take place at the Rainbow Towers Hotel  
Address: Pennefather Avenue, Samora Machel Avenue, Harare, Zimbabwe  
Phone numbers: +263242772633-9  
Email address: reservations@rtg.co.zw

#### 2. TRAVEL

RBM/UNOPS is in charge of travel arrangements of all participants sponsored by RBM to attend the meeting. For all flights, economy class tickets will be purchased for each participant on the most direct and economical route.

If at any point a participant decides not to take the flight booked through RBM Partnership /UNOPS, it is very important to contact RBM/UNOPS immediately at the email (ahmed.wafi@endmalaria.org) so that we can cancel the ticket before the date of the travel.

#### 3. AIRPORT TRANSFERS

For those participants sponsored by RBM Partnership, transportation services will be provided from and to the airport which is organised through the Hotel. On the date of arrival, a Hotel staff will wait for you with a sign stating RBM Partnership with its logo.

For returning participants, transportation services will be provided. For better planning, please check at the hotel reception desk ahead of time when you will be dropped off at the airport. We suggest that you reach the airport 3 hours before your departure time.

For the emergencies of airport transfers, please contact the hotel on +263 0719056209 or one of our onsite event management colleagues via whatsapp on +263778207048.

Note: Self-funded participants of this meeting need to make their own transportation arrangements from and to the airport.

#### **4. ACCOMMODATION**

A single occupancy hotel room, with breakfast provided, is booked as per the following for all participants sponsored by RBM at the Rainbow Towers Hotel, Harare:

- Check-in date 04 July at 1400hrs
- Check-out date 09 July no later than 1200hrs

Participants will be required to pay any extra expenses incurred, if any, directly to the hotel, including phone, room service, minibar and any alcoholic beverages.

\*Self-funded participants may book their accommodation at Rainbow Towers Hotel through contacting: Mr. Nyasha Chidombwe on [Nyasha.Chidombwe@rtg.co.zw](mailto:Nyasha.Chidombwe@rtg.co.zw) and phone +263772458750.

#### **5. MEALS DURING THE MEETING**

Lunch and two coffee breaks will be provided to both RBM sponsored and self-funded participants during the meeting days on 05 - 08 July 2022. Participants with special dietary requirements (allergies, vegetarian, halal, etc.) should indicate them during booking or hotel registration

#### **6. PER DIEM**

As accommodation and 2 meals (breakfast and lunch) are provided during the period of the meeting, those participants who are sponsored by RBM are entitled to 32% of the standard UN Harare per diem rate of USD 199 per night, to accommodate for dinner and other miscellaneous expenses. Per diems will be paid in cash directly to the participants on day one during the meeting, together with the terminal expenses and other expenses such as visa fee, COVID-19 tests, upon presentation of original receipt.

#### **7. VISA**

Visa for Zimbabwe may be obtained upon arrival at the airport if prior arrangements have been made; nevertheless, participants are encouraged to apply for online visas at. We have attached the Zimbabwe Immigration document which shows all countries in their category of VISA requirement <https://www.evisa.gov.zw/home>

Certain countries require paying visa fees in cash at the airport. We advise participants to ensure adequate cash. Visa expenses will be reimbursed upon presentation of official receipts at the meeting.

Upon request UNOPS will issue invitation/visa support letters to participants if needed.

## **8. VACCINES**

A Yellow fever vaccine card is required for entrance to Zimbabwe for visitors coming from Yellow fever risk countries; If you do not have one, it is possible to be vaccinated at the medical centre in Harare Airport. The fee will be reimbursed to you upon submission of official receipts.

## **9. COVID-19 TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS**

Please check the updates on the COVID-19 travel requirements for Harare on a regular basis. Make sure you fulfil all the requirements before you travel. The COVID-19 requirements are that you either have a Vaccination certificate or a negative PCR result which was taken 48 hours after arrival.

Also note that different airlines have different requirements which you are required to comply with.

## **10. WEATHER**

The weather can be warm to chilly during the day and cold in the evenings. July is the coldest month, with an average daily temperature ranging from 5°- 22°C.

## **11. REGISTRATION.**

All the participants are required to [register online here](#) one day before the start of the meeting. Meeting badges are distributed on the morning of the meeting only to those who are registered online.

## **12. PERSONAL DEVICE AND HEADPHONES**

All participants will be provided with a normal single jack headphone on the first day of the meeting for the remote interpretation. Please bring along with you, your own device (laptop, mobile phone or Ipad) which you will be able to use to access the virtual meeting interpretation provided on zoom. If your personal device is not designed for the normal headphone plug in, please bring along with you a headphone which is compatible with the device you will be using for the duration of the event.

## **13. REMOTE TRANSLATION AND VIRTUAL PARTICIPATION**

Remote translation services will be provided for this event. During the face-face meeting days, please use [this link](#) to register and access the remote simultaneous translation.

\*\*For participants who will be unable to join the face-face meeting, the same link will be used to [join the event virtually](#).

We look forward to support should you have inquiries with regards to the logistics of this workshop and meeting.

For additional information and questions please contact:  
Ahmed Wafi at [ahmed.wafi@endmalaria.org](mailto:ahmed.wafi@endmalaria.org) for travel related queries