

## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

### 1. General Information

**Q: Where and when will the event take place?**

**A:** The **AU-EU Business Forum 2025** (AEBF) is a high-level business forum held in Luanda Angola, alongside the AU–EU Summit. The Forum will take place on Monday, 24 November 2025, with dedicated private sector activities on 25 November 2025.

If you are unable to travel but still wish to take part in the **AU-EU Business Forum 2025 (AEBF2025)** you can join the event online via the platform to follow the sessions and interact with other participants.

**Q: What is the theme of the conference?**

**A:** The overall theme of the forum is “**Accelerating Investment for Shared Prosperity**”. Find the full agenda [here](#).

**Q: Who can attend the conference?**

**A:** The AU-EU Business Forum 2025 is open to **all interested** participants. To attend, you must complete the **online registration** and receive a **confirmation email** from the organising committee. Access to the event will be granted only to **confirmed participants** with a **personal badge**. For further information about registration, please go to the next section “Registration and Fees”.

### 2. Registration & Fees

**Q: How do I register?**

**A:** You can register for the **AU-EU Business Forum** by clicking [here](#). Registration is subject to a **vetting process**. Participants are responsible for their own travel and lodging arrangements and expenses.

**Steps to register:**

1. Click on the registration link above or in your invitation email.
2. Complete the form (selecting either **onsite** or **online** participation) and submit it.
3. You will receive an email confirming that your registration has been received and is **under review** by the organisers.

**⚠ Please note:** Submitting the registration form **does not guarantee participation**. Please do not make any travel or attendance arrangements until you have received a **confirmation email** from the organisers. Participants are responsible for their own travel and lodging arrangements and expenses.

4. Your registration will be reviewed, and you will receive a **final confirmation email** if you are approved.

If you need assistance, kindly email [support@eu-africabusinessforum.eu](mailto:support@eu-africabusinessforum.eu).

**Q: Is there a registration fee?**

**A:** This event is free of charge.

### 3. Programme & Sessions

**Q: What is the daily schedule?**

**A:** Monday, 24 November: High-level opening and sector panels.

Tuesday, 25 November 25: Private sector side events

The agenda is available [here](#).

**Q: What language will the sessions be held in?**

**A:** The main language will be English. Interpretation into French, Portuguese, and Arabic will be available in most of the sessions.

### 4. Travel & Accommodation

**Q: Are travel and accommodation covered?**

**A:** No, participants are responsible for their own travel and lodging arrangements and expenses.

**Q: Do I need a visa to travel to Angola?**

**A:** Angola grants visa-free entry for up to 30 days to citizens of **certain countries** for short stays that do not involve paid activities. Travellers from non-exempt countries must apply for a visa **at their nearest Angolan embassy or online** via the official Immigration Service portal ([www.smevisa.gov.ao](http://www.smevisa.gov.ao)). **We advise you to apply as soon as possible.**

The online system simplifies the process but still requires one **in-person consular visit** for biometric data, interview, and payment before the visa is issued. In some cases where the

country of origin or residence does not have an Angolan consulate, using the service means the applicant will avoid the cost of traveling to the nearest country with an Angolan consulate.

**Key requirements:**

Valid passport (minimum six months), yellow fever vaccination certificate, passport size photo, flight ticket reservation, proof of accommodation, and proof of sufficient funds.

**Note:** All non-exempt travellers must obtain a visa in advance – costs approximately USD40.

**Q: Do I need an invitation letter for a visa?**

**A:** Please carry your Forum Invitation / Registration Confirmation to show in case this is requested.

**Q. Are there recommended hotels?**

**A:** Yes, we offer a list of hotels close to the venue. You will find further details in the Participants' Information Pack, available to all reconfirmed participants. We advise booking accommodation as early as possible since November is a busy period in Angola.

**Q: How do I get around in Luanda?**

**A:** City buses (TCUL) and blue-and-white minibuses (*candongueiros*) are inexpensive but crowded. Traditional taxis require negotiation, while most visitors find ride-hailing apps such as Bolt, Yango, inDrive, Heetch or local services (Allo Taxi, UGO, Kubinga, ESPAES) far more convenient. You can also book a car via our dedicated agency for transport services: you will find more details in the Participants' Information Pack, available to all reconfirmed participants.

**Q: Which flights should I take?**

**A:** There are suitable routes from major European and African capitals (e.g., Johannesburg, Nairobi, Addis Ababa, Lisbon, Brussels, Paris, London, Berlin) with airlines like Ethiopian Airlines, Kenya Airways, TAAG Angola Airlines, Airlink, Air France, Lufthansa etc. We recommend booking early as demand can rise around the Forum.

**Q: Will airport transfers be available?**

**A:** Participants should arrange their own transfers, though hotels may offer shuttles. Please refer to Participants' Information Pack, available to all reconfirmed participants, for more details on transport.

## 5. Food & Catering

**Q: Will meals be provided?**

**A:** Yes, lunch will be provided during the Forum, along with coffee and refreshments during breaks.

## 6. Health & Safety

**Q: Do I need vaccinations to travel?**

**A:** Angola requires proof of **yellow fever vaccination** for entry into the country. Other recommended vaccines include Hepatitis A & B, Typhoid, and Polio. Please use websites from your own European/ African country's health and travel authorities. These resources, along with your doctor or a specialised travel clinic, can provide the most relevant and up-to-date advice on mandatory vaccinations.

**Q: What health and safety services are available in Luanda?**

**A:** First aid will be available at the Forum venue. For medical care, delegates may contact Josina Machel Hospital (+244 222 336 346), Clínica Girassol (+244 222 336 346), or Luanda Medical Center (+244 923 167 730). Emergency numbers: Police 113, Ambulance 112, Fire

## 7. Data & Conduct

**Q: How will my data be used?**

**A:** Your data will be processed strictly for event management in line with applicable data-protection rules. Full notices will be on the registration platform.

## 8. Practical Information

**Q: What is the dress code?**

**A:** The recommended dress code is formal business attire.

**Q: What type of electrical plugs are used in Angola?**

**A:** Angola uses Type C plugs; a universal adapter is advised.

**Q: What currency is used in Angola?**

**A:** The official currency is the Angolan Kwanza (AOA). Angola is mostly a cash-based economy, though credit cards are accepted in larger hotels, restaurants, and supermarkets. An indication of the exchange rates can be found at [xe.com](https://www.xe.com)

**Q: Is Wi-Fi available at the venue?**

**A:** Yes, complimentary high-speed Wi-Fi is available at the venue.