



EAPCE'27 | Kigali, Rwanda

12th Edition

EAPCE'27

9–11 March 2027

East African Petroleum Conference and Exhibition

Provisional conference programme
Kigali Convention Centre, Kigali, Rwanda

CONFERENCE THEME

“From Energy Resources to Prosperity: Driving Energy Security, Growth and Global Competitiveness”

CONVENED BY
East African Community

HOSTED BY
Republic of Rwanda

DAY
1

Tuesday, 9 March 2027

Kigali Convention Centre, Kigali, Rwanda

Morning

KIGALI CONVENTION CENTRE

08:00–09:00 **Arrival, registration and welcome tea**

Main Foyer

09:00–09:30 **Arrival of the Chief Guest**

Opening ceremony

AUDITORIUM

09:30–09:35 **Welcoming note**
Steering Committee Chair

09:35–09:40 **Welcome note**
Rwanda Mines, Petroleum and Gas Board (RMB)

09:40–09:50 **Statement by the CEO of RDB**
CEO, Rwanda Development Board (RDB)

09:50–10:00 **Opening remarks**
H.E. Secretary General, East African Community

10:00–10:15 **Entertainment ceremony**
Traditional troupe

10:15–10:25 **Keynote address**
Distinguished international keynote speaker (to be confirmed)

10:25–10:35 **Welcome remarks and introduction**
Hon. Minister, Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy, Republic of Rwanda

10:35–11:45 **Official opening address by the Chief Guest**
Official declaration of EAPCE'27 open and launch of regional and national investment opportunities.

11:45–12:00 **Recognition of key sponsors and group photo session with the Guest of Honour**

12:00–13:00 **Guided tour of exhibition pavilions and country stands / licensing rounds**
VIP-guided tour of the EAPCE'27 exhibition: Partner State pavilions, IOC and service company booths, technology showcase, energy transition pavilion and start-up corner.

13:00–14:00 **LUNCH BREAK**

Country presentations

AUDITORIUM

14:00–15:20

Updates on the status of petroleum activities in EAC Partner States

Presenters: Permanent Secretaries / Director Generals responsible for petroleum (10 minutes each)

Rwanda (host country)

Tanzania

Uganda

Kenya

Burundi

South Sudan

DR Congo

Somalia

15:20–16:00

Panel discussion: Ministerial Dialogue

An EAC Energy Compact for Security, Growth and Competitiveness.

Panelists: Ministers of Energy / Petroleum from all eight EAC Partner States

16:00–16:20

TEA BREAK

16:20–17:00

Panel discussion

Investing in East Africa: IOC, NOC and service sector perspectives on competitiveness across the whole value chain.

Panelists: sponsor representatives

17:00–18:00

Networking session

Evening

KIGALI CONVENTION CENTRE

18:00–21:00

Conference cocktail and cultural evening

Curated networking with a showcase of Rwandan and East African cuisine and performing arts.

DAY
2

Wednesday, 10 March 2027

Kigali Convention Centre, Kigali, Rwanda

Morning

- 08:00–09:00

Arrival, registration and welcome tea
- 09:00–09:10

Overview of Day 1: highlights and key takeaways
Master of Ceremonies and Event Management team

Panel discussion and licensing showcase

AUDITORIUM

- 09:10–10:10

Legal, fiscal and regulatory competitiveness
Positioning the EAC as a premier petroleum destination.
Panelists: sponsor representatives
- 10:10–10:30

TEA BREAK
- 10:30–11:00

Special session: showcases of blocks for licensing
Country-led presentations of open acreage, new blocks, fiscal terms and licensing opportunities.

 - Rwanda: Lake Kivu basin blocks for exploration and production
 - Tanzania: 5th Licensing Round and MPSA terms
 - Kenya: licensing of open blocks and investment opportunities
 - Uganda: 3rd Licensing Round
 - Burundi: Lake Tanganyika basin blocks (A, B, C, D) for exploration
 - Somalia: open blocks for licensing
 - South Sudan: open blocks for licensing (14 blocks)
- 11:00–11:30

Word from headline sponsors

Breakaway sessions: technical presentations

PARALLEL SESSIONS

11:30–13:00

BLOCK A HALL

- **Eastern African basins exploration and production**
3 oral presentations
- **Midstream and downstream business and investment opportunities**
3 oral presentations
- **Onshore and offshore exploration: opportunities, risks and mitigation measures**
3 oral presentations

BLOCK B HALL

- **EAC region as an attractive investment hub**
3 oral presentations
- **Unlocking investment in the EAC**
3 oral presentations
- **Midstream and downstream infrastructure**
3 oral presentations

BLOCK C HALL

- **Gas monetisation (LNG, LPG and CNG) in the EAC**
3 oral presentations
- **Local content and capacity building**
3 oral presentations
- **Creating stable and competitive investment environments in the EAC**
3 oral presentations

Afternoon

13:00–14:00 LUNCH BREAK

14:00–15:30 **Panel sessions**

Venue: Block C Hall

- Energy transition and decarbonization
- Critical and green minerals for energy
- Integrating petroleum with renewable and clean energy

15:30–16:00 TEA BREAK

16:00–16:30 **Word from sponsors**16:30–18:00 **EAPCE'27 Investor Matchmaking and B2B Deal Room**

Pre-scheduled meetings. Curated one-on-one meetings between governments, NOCs, IOCs, financiers, service companies and technology providers.

Evening programme

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19:30–21:00 **Gala dinner and awards night**
Sponsored by the headline sponsor.

DAY
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Thursday, 11 March 2027

Kigali Convention Centre, Kigali, Rwanda

Morning

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| 07:30–08:30 | Arrival, registration and welcome tea |
| 08:30–09:00 | Overview of Day 2: highlights, deal outcomes and key takeaways |
| 09:00–10:30 | Panel discussions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Geopolitics, global markets and Africa's strategic position ● ESG and stakeholder management ● Regulatory frameworks |
| 10:30–11:00 | TEA BREAK |

Parallel technical sessions

PARALLEL SESSIONS

11:00–13:00

BLOCK A

- Panel: digitalization, AI and data in oil and gas
- Health, safety, security, environment and social (HSSE-S)
- Leveraging regional integration

BLOCK B

- Panel: tourism, culture and the petroleum economy
- Cross-border infrastructure and regional integration
- Managing importation of petroleum products

Afternoon

13:00–14:00 LUNCH BREAK

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| 13:30–15:30 | Closing ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Awarding of certificates and recognition of Steering Committee members ● Awarding of certificates and recognition of sponsors ● Closing remarks by the Host Government of Rwanda |
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Evening

18:00–21:00 **Sponsors dinner**

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Notes

This programme is provisional and may change.

Provisional programme

- Session times, venues and speakers may change. Check www.eapce.eac.int for the latest version.
- Topics marked to be confirmed will be announced closer to the conference.
- Panelists and sponsor sessions will be confirmed with the sponsors.

Before and after the conference

- **Pre-conference field excursions:** 5 to 7 March 2027.
- **Post-conference field excursions:** 12 to 14 March 2027.
- Details and fees are on the Field Excursions page of the website.

Registration

- Delegate passes cover all sessions, the exhibition area, speaker meetings and social events.
- Register online through the conference website.

Contact the Secretariat

- **Email:** eapce@rmb.gov.rw
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See you in Kigali. Karibu Kigali. Welcome to Kigali. Bienvenue à Kigali.



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