

Africa Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Cooling and Cold-chain Forum

Rubirizi campus,
Kigali, Rwanda

17-19th October 2023

Join us and

- Explore the world's first campus dedicated to sustainable cold-chain, our training programmes and industry collaborations
- Participate in discussions, insights, and networking opportunities.
- Be part of this dynamic programme leading the future of cooling and cold-chain systems in Africa

Tuesday 17th October - ACES Open Day where we will walk you through the new facilities in development including our Demo Hall, Refrigeration Training Centre, and the training and graduate programmes we are launching as well as update you on the progress with our first SPOKES in Africa and next stage Centres in India.

Wednesday 18th October - ACES partner day where you can hear from our industry and other partners and discuss with them about their plans at the Centre and equipment being deployed (programme to be announced).

MORNING PLENARY SESSION 17th October

08.30	Registration
09.05	Welcome
09.10	Introduce ACES as an INSTITUTE
09.25	Introduce the ACES team and partners
09.40	Overview of ACES progress and initiatives
11.45	Plenary Q&A
12.30	Lunch served
PM	Workshops and guided tours

On both days, there will be a series of workshops, guided tours of the campus and facilities being built and information stands to learn more about ACES and our programmes.

Thursday 19th October - Our inaugural conference in the ACES conference centre. **The Hot Reality: Living in a +50°C World** conference-workshop will provide the opportunity to feed into this ground-breaking landmark project.

“The Hot Reality: Living in a +50°C World” is a project led by the Africa Centre for Sustainable Cooling and Cold-chain (ACES) and the UK’s Centre for Sustainable Cooling. It brings together an international group of multi-discipline, multi-sector experts to explore through the lens of the cooling how humans can adapt in a sustainable, resilient, just and equitable way to living in a world in which seasonal ambient temperatures are continuously rising and extreme heatwaves are becoming more frequent and prolonged, along with other extreme weather being experienced more broadly.

We are holding this conference to present findings from work to date and stimulate further debate and input to inform a forthcoming report to be published later this year. Our hope is that through collaboration, we can make a landmark contribution to the public discourse on how to adapt and building societal resilience to the impacts of extreme temperatures by starting to tackle one of the world’s most pressing ‘here now’ climate change challenges in a warming world – access to sustainably cooling for all who will need it.

Forum and Conference places are limited to ensure maximum opportunity for engagement and interaction. For further details or to register for an invitation, to the Forum and/or Conference, please contact Sehar Amer at info@coolingafrica.org