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Liberia Institute of Certified Public Accountants (LICPA)  
2022 Congress Logistics Reference Brochure**

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## Liberia Background Info

Liberia is a West African country made up of roughly over 5.3 M people<sup>1</sup>, with an estimated 4M across the diaspora. Liberia is the only Black state in Africa never subjected to colonial rule and is Africa's oldest republic<sup>2</sup>. It was established on land acquired for freed slaves from the USA who first arrived in 1822 and the country is celebrating this Bicentennial history throughout 2022. The country enjoyed relative stability until the civil crisis of 1989 which escalated into a destructive civil war in the 1990s that did not fully end until 2003. This crisis has left little positivity known about Liberia in the world beyond. However, a visit to Liberia can prove that there is more to it than what meets the eyes (or ears).

Liberia is largely known for its famous presidents, including the first female Head of State in Africa, Madam Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf, and the famous soccer legend, President, H.E. George M. Weah. But beyond political fame, Liberia is a country of many incredible discoveries. The country is home to a lush rain forest containing a rich diversity of flora and fauna<sup>3</sup>. Its beautiful natural landscape of vast forests is home to many protected animal species, and an oasis of diverse bird species for all bird lovers out there. Liberia, is a country rich in natural resources which includes iron ore, diamonds, gold, fertile soil, fishery and forest. The economic potential of these assets remains largely untapped.

While the country still tries to find its footing both at home and in the world at large, it can be agreed that once you have visited Liberia, it has a way of always luring you back. Soon, you will find out why.

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<sup>1</sup> [Liberia Population 2022 \(Demographics, Maps, Graphs\) \(worldpopulationreview.com\)](https://worldpopulationreview.com/country-rankings/liberia-population-2022/)

<sup>2</sup> [Liberia | History, Map, Flag, Population, & Facts | Britannica](https://www.britannica.com/place/Liberia)

<sup>3</sup> Ibid

# Weather in March 2022

In Liberia, the weather in March is hot. Its average temperatures are between 26 and 30 degrees Celsius (i.e. 78.8 and 86 degrees Fahrenheit). However due to uncertainty with climatic conditions nowadays, you are advised to bring along an umbrella or raincoat. Also, we would like to recommend that you check the weather forecast couple of days prior to your departure to Liberia.

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## Business & Economic Environment

With just few major companies and factories operating in Liberia, there is room for growth with the creation of more available opportunities in many sectors to include the natural resources, services, financial, manufacturing, tourism, etc.

A synopsis of the corporate business environment includes; government ministries/entities, foreign-owned medium-macro companies, NGOs, banks, non-bank financial institutions, hotels, shops/storefronts, and a growing number of Liberian-owned business at all levels. With the capital city, Monrovia, centered as the country's key economic hub, it joins the other regions to make the country ripe with potential.

# Conference Information

<b>Dates:</b>	March 16-19
<b>Conference Location:</b>	Farmington Hotel
<b>Gala Location:</b>	John Gbedze Hotel & Beach Resort

## Day 1 (Wed. Mar. 16)

- Arrival of Delegates
- Congress Welcome and Registration

## Day 2 (Thurs. Mar 17)

- **Pickup:** 7:00 – 8:30 AM for guests up to 35-0 miles from congress center
- **Check-in:** 8:30 AM Congress Hall Entrance
- Official Congress Day 1 with plenary & panel sessions, meetings, networking, etc.
- **Dress code:** Business/African Attire
- **Lunch:** 1:00 PM
- Dinner: **No Planned Dinner (One is free to dine anywhere of their choice)**

## Day 3 (Fri. Mar 18)

- Pickup: 7:00 – 8:30 AM for guests up to 35-0 miles from congress center
- Check-in: 8:30 AM Congress Hall Entrance
- Official Congress Day 2 with panel & closing sessions, meetings, networking, etc.
- Dress code: Business/African Attire
- Session closes at 2:00 PM
- Excursions: 2:00 - 6:00 PM (subject to booking)
- Gala: 7:00 PM Red Carpet at John Gbedze Beach Resort (Business casual/African Attire)

## Day 4 (Sat. Mar. 19)

- Departure Day
- Excursions: (based on prior arrangements)
- Pickup time dependent on flight time (please communicate itinerary with organizers)

# Congress Registration Payment Information

## Cost for Congress attendance

ABWA Member	US\$500.00
Non-Member (Guest)	US\$250.00

## Payment Account details

Account Name:	LICPA (ECOWAS/ABWA) JOINT CONGRESS ACCOUNT
Bank:	UNITED BANK FOR AFRICA, LIBERIA
Account Number:	53030030033756
Branch:	LIBERIA BRANCH
Location:	Broad & Nelson Streets, Monrovia, Liberia
SWIFTCODE:	UNAFLRLM

# Hotel Options

## Farmington Hotel

- **Location:** Congress site (ABWA Congress venue), directly across from airport
- **Price: Standard room: \$ 150.00 USD; Double occupancy: \$170.00 USD**
- **Atmosphere:** Spacious, with restaurant, bar, and pool on site, overlooking the Farmington River
- **Hotel contact details for booking:**  
Email:  
[dviard@thefarmingtonhotel.com](mailto:dviard@thefarmingtonhotel.com)  
Telephone: (231) 888998888/888004800  
WhatsApp: (231) 888004800

## Royal Ambassador Hotel

- **Location:** 1 mile from airport (ABWA Congress venue) – Smell no Taste Community
- **Price: Standard room: \$ 90.00 USD; Mini Suit: \$110.00 USD**
- **Atmosphere:** Spacious, private, close to airport and congress site and main road. Has an indoor swimming pool and restaurant. Transportation available at a cost of US\$10.00
- **Hotel contact details for booking:**  
Email:  
[kennedychristine73@gmail.com](mailto:kennedychristine73@gmail.com),  
[danielpittlove@gmail.com](mailto:danielpittlove@gmail.com),  
Telephone: (231) 888905843/  
770101692  
WhatsApp: (231) 770101692

## John W. Gbedze Hotel & Beach Resort

- **Location:** 6 miles from airport (ABWA Congress venue) – Marshall Highway, Margibi County
- **Price: Standard room: \$120.00 USD; Twin room: \$150.00 USD**

- **Atmosphere:** Spacious, on the beach, has an outdoor swimming pool and restaurant.
- **Hotel contact details for booking:**  
Email: [jwgresort@gmail.com](mailto:jwgresort@gmail.com)  
Telephone: (231) 888077359/  
0775506587  
WhatsApp: (231) 888077359

## AM Seaview Residence

- **Location:** 20 miles from airport (ABWA Congress venue), Rehab Community
- **Price: Standard room: \$80.00 USD; Twin bedroom: \$100.00 USD; Junior Suite \$100.00 USD; Superior Suite: \$120.00 USD; Deluxe Suite: \$170.00 USD**
- **Atmosphere:** Fully serviced suites, with restaurant, poolside bar on site, slightly off-road, close to RLJ Hotel, all suites contain kitchen  
Email: [info@seaviewresidencelr.com](mailto:info@seaviewresidencelr.com);  
W: [www.seaviewresidencelr.com](http://www.seaviewresidencelr.com)  
Telephone: (231) 881422972/  
778422972

## RLJ Kendeja Resort & Villas

- **Location:** 20 miles from airport (ABWA Congress venue), Rehab Community
- **Price: Standard room: \$130.00 USD; Double/Twin: \$150.00 USD**
- **Atmosphere:** Comfortable and semi-private villas, with restaurant, bar, pool, and beach lounging areas, gym, and bon-fire available upon request  
Email:  
[rtorkornoo@kendejaresort.com.lr](mailto:rtorkornoo@kendejaresort.com.lr),  
[komassaquoi@kendejaresort.com.lr](mailto:komassaquoi@kendejaresort.com.lr),  
W: [www.kendejaresort.com.lr](http://www.kendejaresort.com.lr)  
Telephone: (231) 886229971/  
888112388/ 777904538

- WhatsApp: (231) 777904538

### Corina Hotel

- **Location:** 30 miles from airport (ABWA Congress venue), 24 Street, Sinkor
- **Price: Standard room: \$ 79.00 USD**
- **Atmosphere:** Cozy BnB style, restaurant on site, centrally located  
**Email:** [corinahotel2003@yahoo.com](mailto:corinahotel2003@yahoo.com), Telephone: (231) 886514708
- WhatsApp: (231) 886514708

### Royal Grand Hotel

- **Location:** 33 miles from airport (Congress venue), 15<sup>th</sup> St. Sinkor, Monrovia, Liberia
- **Price: Standard room: \$180.00 USD(new wing); \$75.00 USD (Old wing); Double room: \$250.00 USD (new wing), \$100.00 USD (old wing)**
- **Atmosphere:** Busy, well-known, trendy, with popular restaurant, rooftop bar, spa, among other on-site amenities and additions  
**Email:** [reservation@royalgrandhotel.com](mailto:reservation@royalgrandhotel.com), Telephone: (231) 888777888/ 770777890/ 555777888
- WhatsApp: (231) 886123123

### Murex Plaza

- **Location:** 33 miles from airport (Congress venue), 10<sup>th</sup> St. Sinkor, Monrovia, Liberia
- **Price: Standard room: \$109.00 USD**

- **Atmosphere:** Corporate facility with restaurant, salon on site  
**Email:** [reservation@murexplaza.com](mailto:reservation@murexplaza.com),  
**W:** [Murex Plaza Hotel & Suites](http://Murex Plaza Hotel & Suites)  
Telephone: (231) 880590000/ 775600000/ 888600000

### Mamba Point Hotel

- **Location:** 35 miles from airport (Congress venue), Mamba Point Community, Monrovia, Liberia
- **Price: Standard room: \$200.00 USD**
- **Atmosphere:** private luxury hotel with restaurant, club, pool, spa on site around major embassies  
**Email:** [info@mambapointhotel.com](mailto:info@mambapointhotel.com),  
**W:** [www.mambapointhotel.com](http://www.mambapointhotel.com),  
Telephone: (231) 775554444/ 886440000

### The Cape Hotel

- **Location:** 35 miles from airport (Congress venue), Mamba Point Community, Monrovia, Liberia
- **Price: Standard room: \$170.00 USD**
- **Atmosphere:** private luxury hotel with restaurant, club, pool, spa on site around major embassies  
**Email:** [grasamny@capehotelliberia.com](mailto:grasamny@capehotelliberia.com),  
[infor@capehotelliberia.com](mailto:infor@capehotelliberia.com)  
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Telephone: (231) 770006633/ 886832700/ 886798333
- WhatsApp: (231) 886832700

For assistance with hotel bookings, please utilize enclosed contacts

# Immigration and Logistics

- Visa-free entry for Travelers with ECOWAS nationality.
- Visa required for all other nationals.
- Fees vary depending on country of origin
- For assistance in acquiring a Liberian visa, please utilize enclosed contacts

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## Health Protocols

### Arrival

- Liberia requires proof of COVID vaccinations for all travelers, as well as a NEGATIVE COVID test taken up to 72 hours before date of travel
- Travelers traveling to Liberia are required to take a COVID test upon their arrival at the Robert's International Airport whether they have been fully vaccinated or not (fees vary depending on country of origin)

### Conference

- There will be an emergency response team at the site of the congress, located at the left wing by the venue's entrance.
- Emergency vehicle will be stationed at the front entrance of the congress facility
- Hand washing and sanitizing stations will be spread across the facility to ensure COVID protocols are upheld
- ALL individuals attending the conference are required to wear face masks, and maintain a safe distance with others
- Speakers are required to present their Power Point Presentation (s) or hand-out (s) not less than one (1) day prior to their presentation  
Social distancing is always required during conference

### Departure

- COVID Testing will be available on site for all travelers. Please check with your destination country for the required hours for test results prior to travel. (fees vary based on destination country)
- Visit LiberiaCovidTravel.org ([www.liberiacovidtravel.org](http://www.liberiacovidtravel.org)) for more information on health and travel requirements and procedures



# Key Tourism Opportunities

## Firestone Golf Course

- **Location:** Harbel, Margibi County (2 miles away from congress venue)
- **Price:** USD \$ 50 (Includes transportation and entrance fees)
- **Atmosphere:** Scenic, hilly, up to 9 holes, visitors must arrange own food + drinks

## Libassa EcoLodge

- **Location:** Marshall, Margibi County (15 miles) \* 6miles away from conference venue
- **Price:** USD \$ 50 (includes transportation and entrance fees)
- **Atmosphere:** Eco Lodging Resort, with 3 pools, beachside, lakeside, + kayaking and animal observatory

## Water Excursions at Riverside Resort & Villas

- **Location:** Bushrod Island, Montserrado County (45 miles)
- **Price:** USD \$ 50.00 (Includes transportation and entrance fees)
- **Atmosphere:** Resort with river view, boat ride, fishing, and dolphin watching

## Surfing at Robertsport Beach

- **Location:** Grand Cape Mount County  
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- **Price:** USD + local currency (\$250 USD) (Includes transportation, lodging and surfing fees) \*You are encouraged to take along local currency

- **Atmosphere:** Road trip to Robertsport for high tides and waves, frequently surfed by tourist and budding local professional surf community
- **Recommendations:** 1 day trip possible, but it is recommended to stay overnight at Nana's Lodge Beach Resort, due to road conditions

## Kpatawee Waterfalls

- **Location:** Suacoco, Bong County (100 miles)
- **Price:** USD + local currency (\$250.00) (Includes transportation, lodging and surfing fees) \*You are encouraged to take along local currency
- **Atmosphere:** Natural waterfalls, picnic area
- **Recommendations:** Depart for road trip early morning to make it a 1-day trip, otherwise, lodging is available in Gbarnga, Bong County

## Mount Nimba

- **Location:** Yekepa, Nimba County (150 miles)
- **Price:** USD + local currency (\$300.00) (Includes transportation, lodging and surfing fees) \*You are encouraged to take along local currency
- **Atmosphere:** Mountains, with a blue lake at the center, great for hiking and scenic views.
- **Recommendations:** Stay overnight in Ganta (30 miles from site), and plan trip with groups of 4 or more

# Nightlife

## Thursday Night Karaoke @ Fuzion

- **Location:** Fuzion D' Afrique – 13st. Sinkor. (31 miles from conference venue)
- **Price:** USD + Local currency \$25.00mUSD
- **Atmosphere:** Mixed crowd – locals, expats, tourists

## D' Calabash Beachfront Courtyard

- **Location:** D' Calabash Hotel - Congo Town Backroad (28 miles)
- **Price:** USD + Local currency \$ 40 USD
- **Atmosphere:** Mixed crowd, heavy turnout, good food

## Savvy Lounge

- **Location:** 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Sinkor (32 miles)
- **Price:** USD \$ 40.00
- **Atmosphere:** Sophisticated cigar lounge, known for cocktails and good food.

## Scarlet Nightclub

- **Location:** Mamba Point Hotel (35 miles)
- **Price:** USD \$50. 00
- **Atmosphere:** Club scene with mixed crowd, DJ. (Thursday & Friday busiest days)

## Contacts for hotel bookings and other Congress Logistics

No.	Name	Relevance	Phone number/email address
1.	LICPA Local Organizing Committee (LOC)		<a href="mailto:congress2022@licpa.org.lr">congress2022@licpa.org.lr</a> <a href="mailto:congress2022.Liberia@gmail.com">congress2022.Liberia@gmail.com</a>
2.	Atty. Decontee T. King-Sackie	Chairperson- LICPA/LOC	(+231 (0) 886-560-806)/777560806 <a href="mailto:deekaysack@gmail.com">deekaysack@gmail.com</a> WhatsApp: (231) 886560806
3.	Mr. Robert Smallwood	Co-Chairperson LICPA LOC	(+231 (0) 888-639-433)/ <a href="mailto:resmall002@yahoo.com">resmall002@yahoo.com</a>
4.	Ms. Cassandra Hampton	Event Planner/ LICPA/ 2 <sup>nd</sup> ECOWAS ABWA	(+231 (0)777272677) <a href="mailto:hamptoncassandra25@gmail.com">hamptoncassandra25@gmail.com</a>

## Emergency Contacts/Health

No.	Name	Relevance	Phone number/email address
1.	Dr. Yatta Wapoe	Health Needs (Covid testing, Health emergency)	(+231 (0) 886-504-262)/ <a href="mailto:ywapoedr@gmail.com">ywapoedr@gmail.com</a>
2.	Mrs. Decontee King-Sackie	Chairperson- LICPA/LOC	(+231 (0) 886-560-806)/ <a href="mailto:deekaysack@gmail.com">deekaysack@gmail.com</a>
3.	Mr. Robert Smallwood	Co-Chairperson LOC	(+231 (0) 888-639-433)/ <a href="mailto:resmall002@yahoo.com">resmall002@yahoo.com</a>
4.	Ms. Cassandra Hampton	Event Planner/ LICPA/ 2 <sup>nd</sup> ECOWAS ABWA	(+231 (0)777272677)/ <a href="mailto:hamptoncassandra25@gmail.com">hamptoncassandra25@gmail.com</a>



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The LIBERIAN INSTITUTE OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS (LICPA) is pleased to announce that it will host the 2nd ECOWAS ABWA Joint Congress in Liberia from March 16 – 19, 2022. The theme of this year's Congress is "Good Governance and Sustainable Development for Regional Prosperity". The event is expected to bring together ECOWAS member states and Professional Accountancy Organizations (PAO) that are members of Association of Accountancy Bodies in West Africa.

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