

Gambia Delegation



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	Date	Time	Event	Location
			Arrival at YYC	YYC Airport
	Sunday, September 17th	16:00	Arrival at Mayors Reception	MacLeod Hall – Telus Convention Centre
	Sunday, September 17th	18:00	Arrival at Opening Ceremonies	Telus Convention Centre
	Monday, September 18th	17:30	Arrival at Ministerial Reception	Fairmont Palliser
	Monday, September 18th	17:45	White Hat Ceremony Minister Group Photo	Fairmont Palliser – Oval Room
	Monday, September 18th	18:00	Ministerial Reception Program Starts	Fairmont Palliser – Crystal Ballroom
	Tuesday, September 19th	16:00	Ministerial Round Table - MRT 3	Auditorium 1 – BMO Centre
	Tuesday, September 19th	17:15	Canada Night Event - Ticketed	Nutrien Western Event Centre
	Tuesday, September 19th	20:00	Arrive at Cirque de Soleil Event	Lot 6 – Stampede Park
	Thursday, September 21st	14:45	Closing Ceremonies	Big 4 Main Hall A&B
			Departure from YYC	YYC Airport

Legend	
Common Event	
Country Specific Event	

<i>Ministerial Round Table - MRT 3</i>	
Date	Tuesday, September 19th
Time	16:00 – 17:00
Location	Auditorium 1 – BMO Centre
Session Title	How governments can assist the Energy Transformation through Effective regulations.
Session Description	<p>In many cases, regulation can have a positive role to play in the effective reduction of GHG emissions. Therefore, a close examination of this strategy needs to be undertaken to appreciate the associated benefits of carbon regulations when they are applied and implemented properly. There are also shortcomings that need to be addressed to ensure acceptance and effectiveness.</p> <p>What role do regulation and policy have to play in the fight to reduce emissions? A popular perception of environmental regulation is one of a zero-sum game, where protecting the environment will come at a cost for the economy or vice versa. However, there is evidence that it is possible to protect the environment while spurring economic growth if you have “effective” regulations. This panel will explore this question and government’s role in providing an effective and functional regulatory environment.</p>

Protocol Tips: Gambia

As the liaison officer hosting the official delegation from The Gambia, you will require cultural sensitivity and respect. Here are some key considerations to keep in mind:

Research and Preparation: You will find the biography of the leader of your delegation in this Handbook. Please feel free to research the delegation's background, including the individuals' positions and roles. Understanding their specific interests and objectives will help you tailor your interactions effectively.

Formal Greetings and Respect: Address delegation members using appropriate titles and honorifics, such as Mr. or Mrs./Ms. Handshakes are common in Gambian culture but wait for delegation members to initiate. Be mindful of physical contact between genders; follow their lead. Begin meetings with a warm welcome and expressions of gratitude for their visit.

Communication Styles: Practice active listening and engage in open and patient communication. Maintain good eye contact during conversations to convey respect and engagement. Use a friendly and open body language to create a welcoming atmosphere.

Dress Code: Dress professionally and modestly. Business attire is typically appropriate.

Business Etiquette: Small talk is important for rapport. Be patient in conversations and avoid pressuring for quick decisions.

Dining and Hospitality: Given that meals such as the opening ceremonies are part of the program, inquire about any dietary restrictions or preferences within the delegation. While dietary inquiries were made as part of the delegate registration process the information provided may be incomplete. Be prepared to guide delegation to meal options wherever possible. Please note that in most cases these will be the vegetarian option.

Privacy Concerns: Always ask for permission before taking photographs, especially of delegation members, as privacy is important to Gambians.

Cultural Taboos: Avoid pointing at people or objects with your index finger, as it can be considered impolite. Be cautious when discussing sensitive topics such as politics, ethnicity, and religion.

Language Tips

The official language of Gambia is English.