



**22-24 June 2026
Lomé, Togo**

ArcX Programme Regional Workshop: West Africa

**Urban–rural interactions and ecosystem sustainability in
West Africa**

Information Package



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Dates: 22-24 June 2026

Location: Lomé, Togo

Venue: Hôtel 2 Février

1. ABOUT THE ARCX PROGRAMME

The Africa Regional Centres of Excellence (ArcX) programme is an innovative initiative advancing sustainable development in Africa through Science, Technology, and Innovation (STI).

Launched in 2023, ArcX strengthens collaboration between African and European institutions, fostering inclusive green growth and supporting Africa's transformative agenda in key areas:

- Agroecology
- Biodiversity & Forests
- Water
- Ocean
- Climate Change Resilience

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2. REGIONAL WORKSHOP OBJECTIVES

- Develop a shared understanding of regional challenges related to ecosystems and urbanisation in West Africa,
- Identify priority solutions and cross-sector co-benefits that address ecosystem sustainability and urban-rural interactions,
- Co-develop recommendations and priorities informed by the workshop discussions,
- Develop actionable solutions while identifying innovation and youth engagement pathways for the upcoming ArcX Forum.

3. VENUE & ACCOMMODATION

Hôtel 2 Février

Modern rooms and suites, wellness spa, panoramic rooftop bar, and a central location overlooking Independence Square in the heart of Lomé.

Distance from airport:

- Lomé-Tokoin International Airport (LFW) – 10–15 min by car/taxi.



4. ALTERNATIVE ACCOMMODATION CLOSE TO VENUE

- Onomo Lomé
- Hotel Sarakawa
- Hotel Ahoefa

Hotel	To Hôtel 2 Février	Tokoin International Airport (LFW)
Onomo Lomé	4.2 km	7 km
Hotel Sarakawa	7 km	8.5 km
Hotel Ahoefa	3.7 km	6.6 km

5. TRAVEL AND VISA

Visa requirement	Africa nationals do not require a visa. Most of other nationalities require a visa, which must be obtained online via the official portal: https://voyage.gouv.tg (processing has to be done at least five days before arrival).
Currency	1 XOF ≈ 0,0015 € Preferred Payment Method: The preferred payment methods in Togo are cash (West African CFA franc – XOF) and international credit cards (Visa and Mastercard), which are widely accepted in major hotels such as Hôtel 2 Février, as well as in many restaurants and formal establishments.
Airport Transfers	Taxis services such as Yango, local companies and private car services.
Vaccines	Yellow Fever: Mandatory for all travellers aged ≥ 9 months entering Togo.

6. WEATHER & PACKING LIST

- **Period:** June
- **Average Temperature:** 29–32°C during the day and 24–27°C at night
- **Conditions:** Heavy rain, high humidity and sunshine (5-7 hours)
- **What to bring:** Light layers, evening jacket, umbrella, mosquito repellent, comfortable shoes

7. LOCAL INFORMATION

Time zone: GMT (UTC+0).

Local SIM Cards: Togocom and Moov Africa

Public transport: Moto-taxis (“zémidjans”) – not recommended for visitors due to safety concerns; Minibuses (“tro-tro”) – very cheap but not suitable for international travellers (crowded, irregular, no fixed routes)

Safety: Avoid walking alone at night or in isolated areas. Always check updated travel advisories.

Socket: Type C and Type E sockets



8. USEFUL LINKS

ArcX Portal: arcx.green

AKP Portal: <https://africa-knowledge-platform.ec.europa.eu/>

Joint Research Centre (JRC): <https://joint-research-centre.ec.europa.eu>

EU DG INTPA & Global Gateway: <https://international-partnerships.ec.europa.eu>

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