



Social and Cultural Programme

ICAO Global Aviation Gender Summit 2026 — Welcome Cocktail, Gala Dinner and Guided Tour for Delegates

Presented below is the detailed programme of the institutional and social moments of the ICAO Global Aviation Gender Summit 2026 (the Welcome Cocktail, the Gala Dinner and the Guided Tour for Delegates), including venues, times and further protocol details.

1. Welcome Cocktail

Official Reception of the ICAO Global Aviation Gender Summit 2026

21 July 2026 | 18h30 – 21h30 | Talatona Convention Centre

Overview

The Welcome Cocktail constitutes the official reception for participants of the ICAO Global Aviation Gender Summit 2026, marking the close of the first day of proceedings.

This moment fosters institutional fellowship among national and international delegations, strategic partners, multilateral organisations and guests, in an atmosphere of diplomacy, exchange and networking.

The occasion also reflects the hospitality of the Republic of Angola and its position as a platform for dialogue and cooperation in the civil aviation sector.

Programme

18h00 – 18h30	Arrival of guests and protocol reception
18h30 – 19h15	Welcome cocktail and institutional networking
19h15 – 19h30	Arrival of Senior Officials (VIPs)
19h30 – 19h40	Welcome remarks — Minister of Transport or designated official
19h40 – 20h10	Cultural moment — musical performance / artistic act
20h10 – 21h00	Continuation of the cocktail and informal fellowship





2. Gala Dinner

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22 July 2026 | 19h30 – 23h00 | Isabel Françonny Hall

Overview

The Gala Dinner constitutes a moment of high institutional and social relevance within the framework of the ICAO Global Aviation Gender Summit 2026, bringing together senior government officials, representatives of international organisations, strategic partners, sponsors and guests.

This moment aims to strengthen ties of international cooperation, promote institutional dialogue and celebrate the outcomes of the Summit in an atmosphere of diplomatic fellowship and celebration.

Programme

19h30 – 19h45	Arrival of guests and protocol reception
19h45 – 20h00	Arrival of Senior Officials (VIPs) and escort to the head table
20h00 – 20h45	Dinner — starter and main course service
20h45 – 20h55	Remarks by His Excellency the Minister of Transport
20h55 – 21h30	Continuation of dinner and informal fellowship
21h30 – 22h30	Cultural moment — dance performance and artistic act
22h30	Continuation of fellowship and closing of the Gala Dinner

3. Guided Tour for Delegates

23 July 2026 | from 14h00

As part of the complementary activities of the ICAO Global Aviation Gender Summit 2026, delegates are invited to discover Luanda, in keeping with the spirit of hospitality and sharing that has marked this gathering.



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A City Between the Ocean and History

Luanda, the capital of Angola, unfolds along the Atlantic coastline in a striking blend of colonial heritage and modern skyline. The Marginal promenade offers sweeping views over the bay, while the historic Fortress of São Miguel and the old quarter reveal centuries of history, architecture and resilience. Delegates will have the opportunity to experience the city's vibrant energy, its warm hospitality and the unique character of a capital that bridges Africa's past and its dynamic future.

Gastronomy

No visit to Luanda is complete without discovering Angolan cuisine, renowned for its rich flavours and coastal influences. Delegates will be able to sample dishes such as muamba de galinha (chicken stewed with palm oil and okra), calulu (a traditional fish or meat stew with vegetables and dried fish), grilled fresh seafood from the Atlantic, and funge, a staple accompaniment made from cassava or maize flour. These flavours, rooted in local tradition and shaped by centuries of cultural exchange, offer a genuine taste of Angolan identity and hospitality.

Music and Dance

Angola's vibrant musical heritage will also be on display, with rhythms such as semba — the historical root of samba — and the more contemporary kizomba and kuduro, which have gained international recognition. Delegates may enjoy live performances and demonstrations of these dances, which reflect the joy, rhythm and cultural richness that define Angolan identity and everyday life.



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