

The Oltepesi Cultural Institute

Káún oltépésí to Ipurkél.[†]

Overview

People are not the same, they are different. You might like that or you get annoyed about it. At our Institute we receive both categories of people but we would like to see you leaving the Institute appreciating interculturality rather than being parochial. In order to achieve that goal we offer you the opportunity to browse through a unique library with books and other material on many different languages and cultural streams in Eastern Africa and the larger world. You can also spend some time visiting the different Maasai sections in the neighbourhood or interact with people from other cultural backgrounds. We are located in Mashuuru, in the middle of Maasai land, near Amboseli, the oldest national park of Kenya. For those who wish to do some serious studies we currently offer the following:

1 Courses

1. Language and Culture (currently on Maasai and Kalenjin)
2. In-service course for Adult Literacy Teachers
3. Teaching Mother Tongue (currently Maasai)
4. Dictionary making
5. Interculturality



2 Seminars

Seminars take one (1) week only:

- Environmental Conservation
- Culture and Peace
- Culture and Church

3 Private Studies

The Institute offers a possibility for private studies and consulting the library. Arrangements need to be made with the Administration.

4 Alternative Rite of Passage

Additional Information

The Institute uses different fees for residents, i.e. people from the local community, (**KSh. 2000** per “week”—5 days), and for non-residents, i.e. people from abroad, (**€ 20** per day); boarding and meals are included. Payments should be done in advance into our Bank account:

A/c 010-2896822700, Standard and Chartered Bank (K) Ltd., Karen Branch, P.O. Box 24601, 00502 Karen, (Swift Code: SCBLKENXXXX).

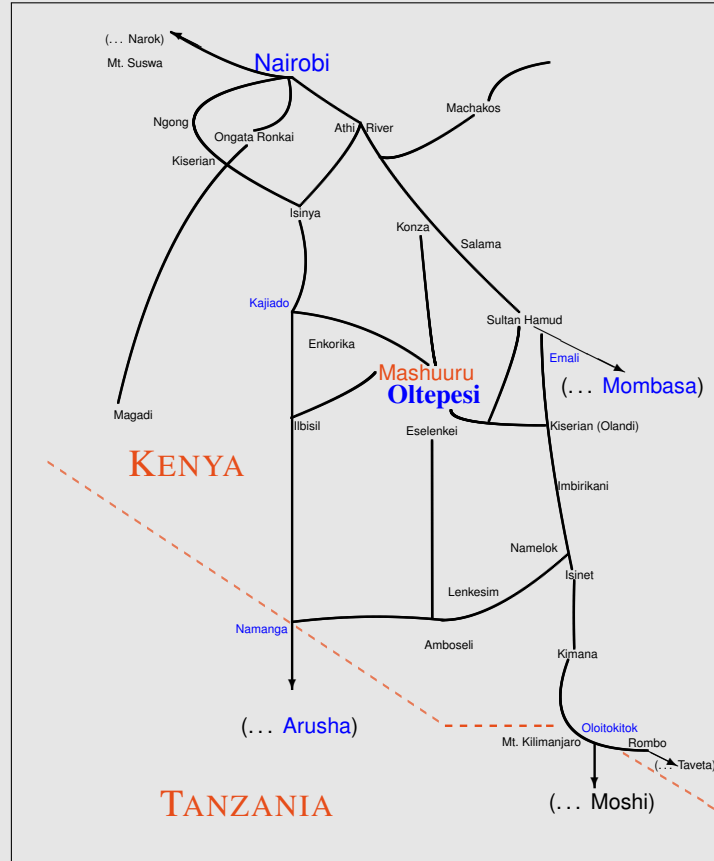
The Institute offers the possibility to go for a certificate for courses and seminars successfully completed.

For further information or special arrangements, feel free to contact us at one of the following telephone numbers:

Kenya (+254):		Tanzania (+255):
0726-629330	0721-690355	0768-223273
0722-214842	0733-333832	

Disclaimer: Each and every visitor to the Institute has to look for his or her own insurance. The Institute is not responsible for medical care for its visitors. Costs for transport to and fro the Institute are never reimbursed by us.

How to get there:



Both from **Kajiado** or from **Emali** to the Institute is about 65 km. We recommend taking the Kajiado road from **Nairobi** or **Namanga** but from **Mombasa** you better take the road through Emali. Public transport is available from both places (Naekana, about KSh. 300). From the East (Emali and Oloitokitok) the Institute is *before* Mashuuru at your right; from the West (Kajiado and Namanga) it is *past* Mashuuru at your left. From **Oloitokitok** you can take the same buses. There is a busstand right at the gate of the Institute. From the airport (JKIA) you can communicate with Riverside Shuttle going to **Arusha** Tanzania to pick you from the airport and drop you at the petrol station in Kajiado from where you branch right to the bus station (KSh. 600; contact kariukimuchoka@gmail.com, +254-722-826368; he is on Whatsapp, and there is free WiFi at Paul's Café at the Airport).

Study Session ...

