



# Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals

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## 1<sup>st</sup> Energy Task Force Meeting Cape Town, South Africa, 1 - 2 December 2016

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### FACT SHEET FOR PARTICIPANTS

#### I. Getting to Cape Town

Cape Town city centre is located approximately 15-25 minutes journey time from the Cape Town International airport, although this can be longer with weekday mornings.

Most hotels offer an airport shuttle service.

Another way of travelling to the city centre is through Intercab services (the fare is R8.80 per kilometre, thus adding up to an amount between R161.90 (± USD12) –R178.64 (± USD13) per cab, to book a cab please contact 021 447 7799.

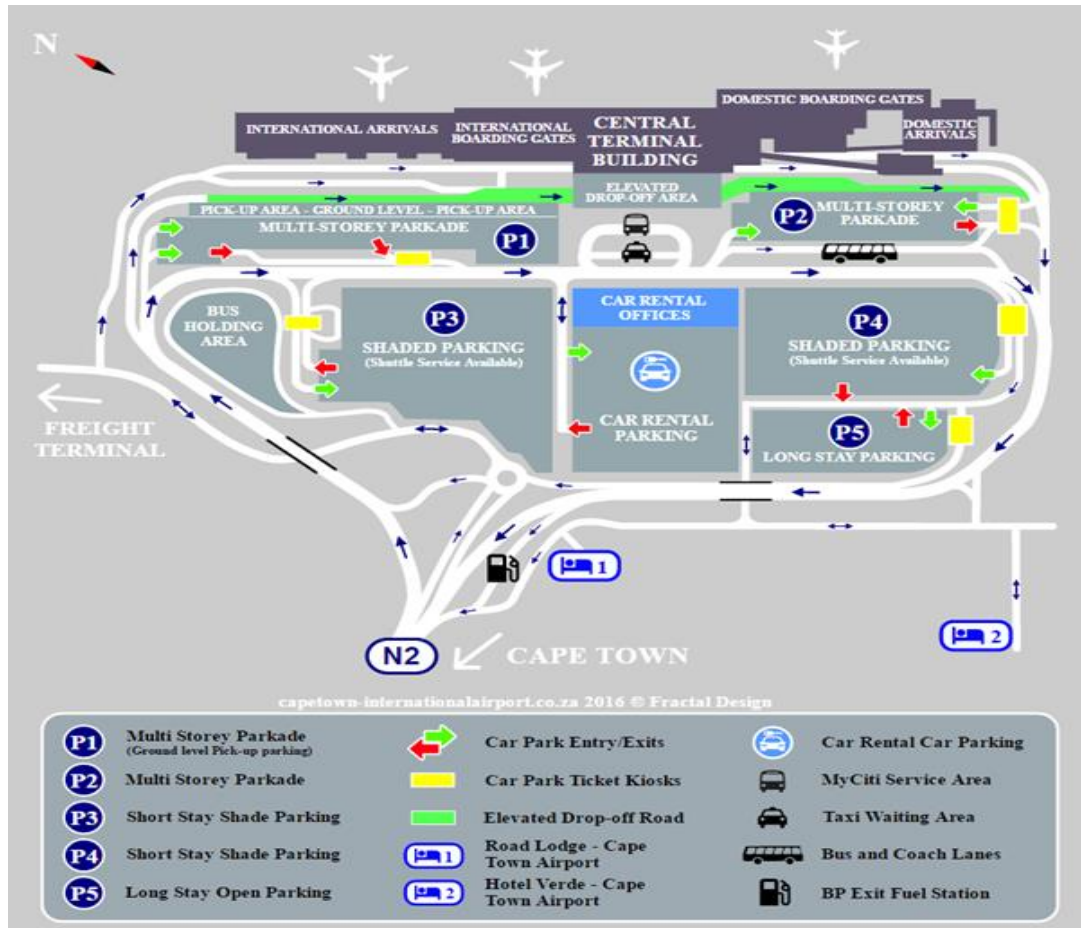
Citi Hopper offers a shared scheduled shuttle service for passengers going in the same direction at R240.00 (± USD17) for the shuttle and R30.00 (± USD2) for every additional passenger. It leaves the airport every 15-20 minutes and offers a free beverage and newspaper while you wait. A private cab will leave the airport upon your arrival at R340.00 (± USD24) and R30.00 (± USD2) for every additional passenger. To book this service please contact +27 (0)21 936 3460/1 or email [bookings@citihopper.co.za](mailto:bookings@citihopper.co.za)

Uber also operates in Cape Town. You will need to download the app on your smart phone and ensure that you have data enabled.

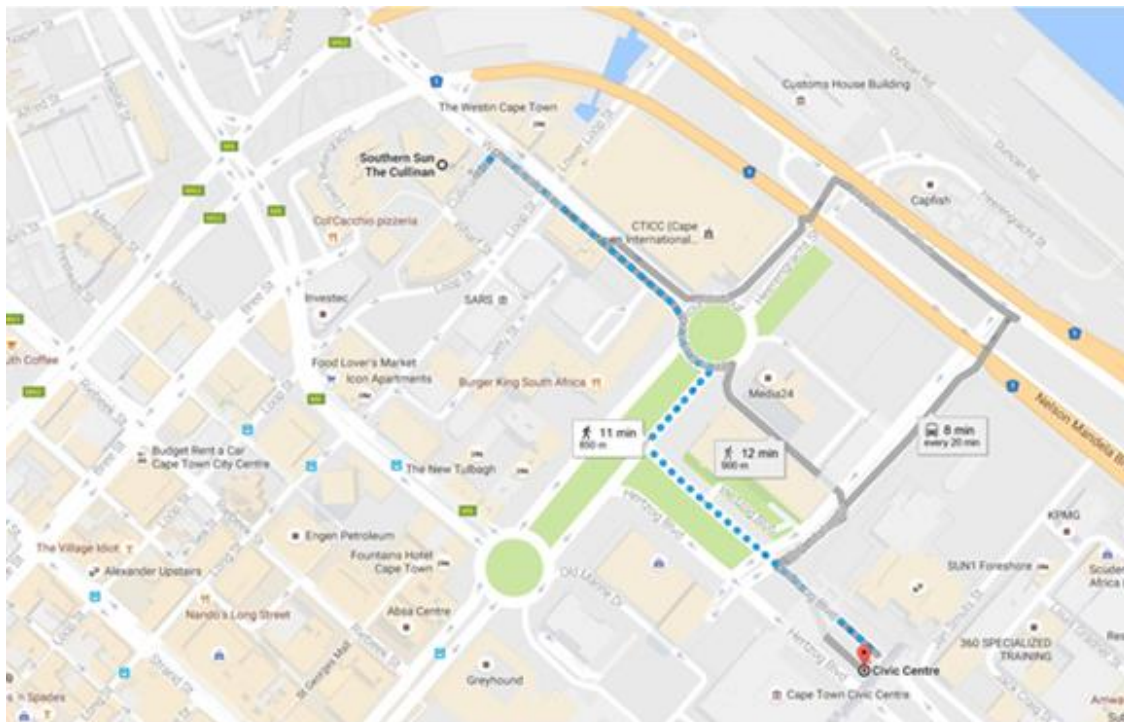
Alternatively, you can use MyCiti bus service which departs from the airport in 30 minutes intervals. Please note that taking the bus will require you to walk just under 1 km from the civic center bus station to the Southern sun the Cullinan Hotel where the Energy Task Force meeting will take place. While the area is generally safe, it is not advisable to use this option during quiet periods (i.e. in the evenings, Saturday afternoons or Sundays). The MyCiti bus service requires one to purchase a myconnect card from the MyCiti bus station kiosk located at the airport bus station for R30.00. Once purchased a minimum amount of R95.00 must be uploaded on the card for a one way trip from the Airport to the City centre.

If you have any questions or emergencies with regards to travel to or in South Africa, you can contact directly Aida Kowalska on +44 7580490698 or Samantha Ralston on +27 0836733948.

The bus will depart from the bus stop outside the Central Terminal building to the city centre (final stop “Civic centre”). Please see the following map for directions to the bus stop:



Map showing the directions from Civic center bus station to Southern Sun the Cullinan Hotel:  
 The route between the Civic Center and Cape Town International Convention Centre (CTICC) is well signposted. The Cullinan Hotel is a short distance and visible from the CTICC.

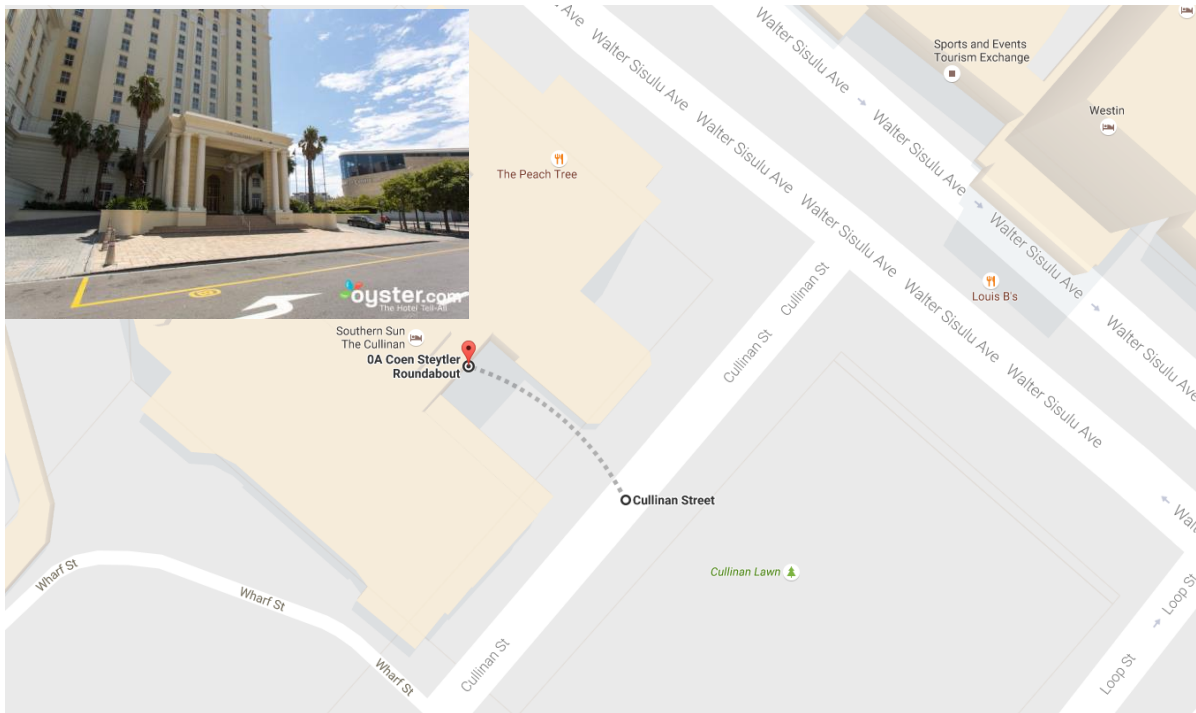


**Myciti Bus stop**  
 Stop at Hertzog Boulevard

## II. Meeting Venue

The meeting will take place at “Southern Sun the Cullinan” a 4-star hotel in Cape Town (See location on Map below). All participants must check in at the hotel reception.

Map showing the entrance of the Southern Sun the Cullinan hotel:



**Main Entrance**  
Cullinan street

## III. Registration

Participants are requested to pre-register online through the [registration portal](#) as soon as possible.

Registration at the venue will start on Thursday 1 December 2016, 8:00-9:30AM.

## IV. Hotel accommodation

### 1. Venue and hotel

Block-bookings have been made in the Southern Sun the Cullinan hotel for the check-in date 30 November and check-out on the 3<sup>rd</sup> December at 11:00. This hotel will host the first Energy Task Force meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> December. To arrange your booking, please contact [Susan.Patterson@birdlife.org](mailto:Susan.Patterson@birdlife.org)

**It is advisable to contact Ms Patterson as soon as possible to make use of the room bookings.**

## **Southern Sun the Cullinan**

Southern Sun the Cullinan  
1 Cullinan Street  
Cape Town 8001,  
South Africa  
Website: <https://www.tsogosun.com/the-cullinan>

Rates: USD202 standard room per night

Shuttle service: USD37

The hotel is located in the city centre and offers all modern meeting facilities and equipment. The hotel is situated in the live and vibrant City Bowl area offering spectacular views of Table Mountain and is a mere 1.5 kilometres from the V&A Waterfront, Cape town's premier shopping destination offering local and international goods.

To book an airport shuttle service please contact Franklin Chukwunyere–  
[franklin.chukwunyere@tsogosun.com](mailto:franklin.chukwunyere@tsogosun.com) / [sscullinan.concierge@tsogosun.com](mailto:sscullinan.concierge@tsogosun.com)

## **2. Hotels near the Venue**

### **2.1 Protea Hotel by Marriott Cape Town Cape Castle**

3 Main Road,  
Green Point,  
Cape Town, 8001  
Tel: +27 (21) 4391016  
Website: [www.marriott.com](http://www.marriott.com)

Rates: ± USD87 per night

Shuttle service: USD25 for one and USD1.4 for extra person

The Protea Hotel by Marriott Cape Town Cape Castle is situated 1.5 kilometres from the Southern Sun the Cullinan Hotel and offers spectacular views of both Table Mountain and the V&A Waterfront.

### **2.2 Protea Hotel Cape Town Waterfront Breakwater Lodge**

Portswood Road,  
V & A Waterfront  
Cape Town 8001  
Tel: +27 (21) 406 1911  
Website: [www.marriott.com](http://www.marriott.com)

Rates: ± USD 154

Shuttle service: USD25

Protea Hotel Cape Town Waterfront Breakwater Lodge is situated 1.6 kilometres from the Southern Sun the Cullinan hotel and offers in House Dining and an ergonomic working space. The Hotel offers spectacular views of both V&A Waterfront and Table Mountain.

### **2.3 De Waterkant Village**

Check In at The Charles,  
137 Waterkant Street ,  
Cape Town  
Tel: +27 (0)21 409 2500  
E-mail: book@dewaterkant.com  
Website: www.dewaterkant.com

Rates: ± USD84.00 for classic room per day  
Shuttle service: ±USD 16 (minimum of two people traveling)

De Waterkant makes use of African Eagle Day Tours for shuttle services:  
Tel: +27 (0)21 464 4266  
Website: www.daytours.co.za

Self-catering, Wi-Fi access, 15 minute walk from Southern Sun the Cullinan Hotel. Breakfast lunch and dinner served at the Charles café.

### **3. Leisure Tax:**

Various service providers are eligible to add a 1% increase on service or good provides as a form of Tourist tax.

### **V. Weather**

Summer months in Cape Town are characterized by dry and fairly windy conditions. Temperatures fluctuate from a low of 15°C in the evening to a high of 25°C in the day, with daily highs decreasing from 25°C to 20°C over the course of the month.

Bear in mind that the Berg wind (from the Inland Karoo desert) can see temperatures rise to 35°C and 40°C. Please remain indoors and well hydrated if this occurs.

Do not forget to bring your long sleeved shirts and jerseys as evenings can become cool.

### **VI. Currency**

South Africa's currency is the Rand. Credit cards are accepted in hotels and in most restaurants in Cape Town, but not in many shops. Foreign exchange Bidvest bank, Master Currency and Travelex are located in the arrivals area of Terminal A if you wish to exchange Dollars etc. for Rands. Travelex and Currencies Direct are also located within close proximity of Southern Sun the Cullinan Hotel if you wish to exchange money during your stay.

### **VII. Voltage and Type of Pins**

In South Africa, the electrical plug/ outlet and voltage operates on **220/230 volts, 50 Hz**, with round-prong European-style plugs that fit into recessed wall sockets/ points. Many appliances with their own power adapters (such as laptop computers and digital cameras) can be plugged into either 220 volt or 230 volt sockets/points and will adapt to the voltage automatically.





## **VIII. Visas**

Visas can be obtained from your nearest South African embassy or consulate. Information and addresses can be found in the website [South African Department of International Relations and Cooperation](#).

Please ensure that you apply for the correct visa/permit. Entry in the country may be refused if the purpose of visit was not correctly stated. Requirements for visitors' visa differ from country to country and the requirements are subject to change. As each application is treated as an individual case please make enquiries with your nearest South African mission or consulate abroad or any office of the Department of Home Affairs to see whether or not you are required to apply for a visa.

If you have any difficulties obtaining a visa, please contact: [aida.kowalska@birdlife.org](mailto:aida.kowalska@birdlife.org)

## **IX. Working language of the meeting**

The meeting will be conducted in English.

## **X. Internet**

WiFi will be provided free of charge in the hotel and meeting room and for the duration of the meeting.

## **XI. Time zone**

South African Standard Time (SAST) is two hours ahead of UTC (UTC+2) and is identical with Central Africa Time (CAT).

## **XIII. Information on Cape Town**

Cape Town is a live and vibrant city and has a diversity of culture heritage to offer. The languages predominantly spoken in Cape Town include English, Afrikaans and Xhosa.

The watershed Market located within the V&A waterfront operates between 10:00 and 19:00 and will satisfy all your shopping needs. The Citi Bowl Market located within the Garden suburb offers a wide variety of food and tastes from around the globe, operating between 16:30 and 20:30 every Thursday evening with life performances from 18:00.

There are various leisure activities available for those staying in Cape Town for longer. For information on Cape Town and its region please refer to:

<https://www.capetown.gov.za/en/Pages/default.aspx> or [www.capetown.travel](http://www.capetown.travel)

#### **XIV. Safety information**

There are currently student protests taking place at university campuses and their surrounding areas across South Africa. This should not affect your stay, but it is not advisable to visit university campuses without first checking with the personnel at your hotel.

There is a high level of crime in South Africa overall, but the most violent crimes occur in townships and isolated areas away from the normal tourist destinations. Most visits to South Africa are trouble-free, but you should take sensible precautions to protect your safety.

Always use sunscreen and wear a hat when outside during the day, especially between 10:00 and 16:00.

#### **X.V. Useful numbers**

1. Any Cape Town emergency – 107 from a landline number  
or 021 480 7700 from a mobile phone
2. South African Police Services (SAPS) – 10111
3. Ambulance – 10177
4. Table Mountain National Park emergencies – 0861 106 417
5. National Sea Rescue Institute (NSRI) emergencies – 021 449 3500
6. Cape Town Tourism – 0861 322 223
7. Visitor Safety and Support Programme – 021 487 6552
8. Tourism Victim support Programme – 021 487 4820
9. Doctors – Dr. N.P. Ahmed: 021 465 8799/ 021 465 0999 or Dr. B Kehoe: 0214181519
10. UNEP/CMS Secretariat: (+49 228) 815 2401