Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals

FOURTH MEETING OF SIGNATORIES TO THE RAPTORS MOU

30 November – 2 December 2026, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

Information Note for Participants

Version 2

Venue and Registration

The Fourth Meeting of Signatories to the Raptors MOU (MOS4) will be held from **Monday 30 November to Wednesday 2 December 2026** at the Cresta Sprayview Hotel in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe. To participate in the Meeting, all participants must register online via the MOS4 Registration Form, available in English and French, **by 30 September for supported Delegates, and by 20 October for not-supported participants.**



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Meeting venue:
Cresta Sprayview
Corner Livingstone Way & Reinhard Road
Victoria Falls,
Zimbabwe
Tel: +263 213 284 43 44
URL: www.crestasprayview.com
Email: reservations@sprayview.cresta.co.zw; reservations@crestahotels.com

Upon arrival at the MOS4 registration desk, participants will be required to present an official identification document (passport or national ID card) to obtain the badge that will grant them access to the Meeting venue. Additionally, delegates will also be required to present their **original letter of credentials** (a template is available here).

A scanned copy of the letter of credentials should be submitted to cmsoffice.ae@un.org, with copy to alexandra.caron-strehlow@un.org by **30 October 2026**.

Hotel and Accommodation

All participants are required to make their own accommodation arrangements on time by **contacting hotels directly**. To avoid any inconvenience, participants are advised to complete their bookings well in advance.

Participants are welcome to book their accommodation at hotels, with options listed in **Annex 1**, noting that they will be responsible for transportation between their accommodation and the Meeting venue. Participants may choose to use Airbnb accommodations when attending the meeting.

Sponsored participants will receive a Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA) to cover the cost of their accommodation, meals and terminal expenses calculated according to United Nations (UN) regulations. The DSA will be provided in the form of a cash card charged with the appropriate amount which will be distributed during the first day of the meeting. The cash cards used are MasterCard, embossed with a number but no name. They can be used in the same way as regular debit cards (e.g., for getting cash from ATMs, or paying at hotels, restaurants or shops).

Visa and Immigration Requirements

Delegates must hold a passport that is valid for at least six months from the date of entry into Zimbabwe. Please check the visa requirements for entering Zimbabwe on the eVisa system website: https://www.evisa.gov.zw/

Visas can be applied for online at the same website.

Visa categories:
Category A: Countries whose nationals do not require visas to enter Zimbabwe.
Category B: Countries whose nationals are granted visas on arrival on payment of the requisite visa fees.
Category C: Countries whose nationals are required to apply for and obtain visas prior to travelling.

Delegates from Category B can also apply in advance via the eVisa portal or at a Zimbabwean embassy. Category C delegates are strongly encouraged to apply early to avoid delays.

Arrival at the Airport and Transportation



International participants will arrive at Victoria Falls International Airport (VFA). Participants are encouraged to organize their own transportation from the airport and local movements.

Alternate Airport Transportation:

Taxi
At Victoria Falls International Airport (VFA) follow the signs to the official taxi. The ranks are well organized, with taxis available 24/7.

- Cost for a car to the city is approximately 25–40 USD, depending on the agreement.
- For short routes in the city, you can expect to pay around 5–10 USD per trip.

Shuttle
You can check directly with the hotel for your airport shuttle service.

Details of transportation arrangements for activities during MOS4 will be communicated to participants in due course. Non-sponsored delegates may arrange their own transportation to and from the activity venues, including evening events, using local taxis or ride-hailing services such as Uber.

Documents and Printing

For environmental and economic reasons, hard paper copies of the meeting documents will not

be distributed before or during the meeting. However, a free Wireless Internet (Wi-Fi) service will be available to all participants throughout the venue.

Coffee breaks

Complimentary refreshments will be provided during mid-morning and mid-afternoon breaks.

Healthcare

Participants are responsible for their own medical care and insurance against accidents, medical emergencies, and any loss of, or damage to luggage or other personal possessions. Delegates on medication for chronic conditions should ensure to have packed enough stock for the entire stay in Zimbabwe. Please note that some medications are sold under different brands in different countries. First aid will be provided free of charge by medical personnel at the conference venue. Participants are advised to update and buy additional travel health insurance that covers health care and emergency evacuation when travelling.

The following medical facilities are located in the town of Victoria Falls:

PREMIER CLINIC
413 Clark Road Zambezi Complex (opposite OK Supermarket), Victoria Falls
Contact: Dr. Elwin Finnity
Tel: +263 772 120 270
Email: efinnity@psmi.co.zw

THE HEALTH BRIDGE (THB) PRIVATE HOSPITAL
95 West Drive, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe
Tel.: +263 83 284 6634 / 5
Website: www.thehealthbridge.org

VICTORIA FALLS MEDICAL CENTRE
West Drive (next to Medical Air Rescue Services (MARS))
Tel.: +263 83 284 0529 / 3356

Vaccination

Please ensure that your vaccinations are up to date at least four to six weeks before travelling to Zimbabwe.

Vaccination against **yellow fever** is required for travelers who have departed or transited through a country with a risk of yellow fever transmission no more than six days before arriving in

Zimbabwe. If this is the case, delegates should carry their yellow fever vaccination certificate with the travel documents. More information is available here.

Active **cholera transmission** is widespread in Zimbabwe, but rare among travelers. Certain factors may increase your risk of contracting and becoming seriously ill from cholera. More information on cholera transmission and vaccination can be found here.

Malaria prophylaxis is recommended. Please ensure that your vaccinations are up to date at least four to six weeks before travelling to Zimbabwe. More information on malaria prevention is available here.

Traveler diarrhea is a common disease found almost everywhere. Always maintain proper hand hygiene and eat foods that are hot. Avoid cold dishes as much as possible and eat fruit that can be washed or peeled before consumption. Participants are advised to drink bottled or filtered water and to check with their hotel before drinking tap water. In Victoria Falls, many hotels provide filtered drinking water.

Mobile Network and Internet Connection

Many foreign mobile telephone companies offer roaming services in Zimbabwe. The two telephone companies available in Zimbabwe, Econet Wireless Zimbabwe and NetOne Cellular offer prepaid SIM cards. You will need to show your passport when purchasing a SIM card from an authorized store.

Internet is available at the airport and at most of the accommodation facilities. Wi-Fi will be provided at the Meeting venue, and the Wi-Fi password will be communicated to all participants when they reach the venue and will be on display in the conference room.

Local Currency

The local currency of Zimbabwe is ZiG$. However, the following currencies are accepted: United States Dollar, South African Rand, Euro and Botswana Pula. ATMs are available at the airport and around Victoria Falls.



Electricity Supply and Voltage

The standard voltage in Zimbabwe is 220-240 volts and the standard frequency is 50 Hz. Power sockets are type G (the standard socket type used in the United Kingdom, which takes plugs with three square pins). You are advised to bring a plug adaptor and a voltage converter (if warranted) to allow you to charge your devices.



Climate

Victoria Falls has a subtropical climate with distinct summer and winter seasons. The summer months, from November to April, are generally hot, humid, and rainy. Despite these seasonal variations, Victoria Falls enjoys pleasant weather for much of the year, making it a popular destination for visitors seeking natural beauty and adventure activities. In late November, average

daytime temperatures typically range between 30–34°C, while nighttime temperatures are around 20–21°C.

Local Time

Time Zone: Central African Time (CAT = UTC +2 hours)

Dress Code

Please ensure that your attire is professional and respectful to the diverse cultures and attendees present at this International Meeting.

Security

All hotels and conference venues are usually monitored and guarded. Please also be aware that the town of Victoria Falls is surrounded by the Zambezi, Mosi-oa-Tunya and Victoria Falls national parks, which are home to many large wild animals.
You are advised to always remain security-conscious and vigilant, both in relation to general personal safety and the presence of large wild animals in and around Victoria Falls. Maintain a

low profile, avoid walking alone where possible, particularly after dark, and report any security or wildlife-related concerns to the security team.

While you are at the conference venue, please ensure that you:

- Do not leave bags and parcels unattended, as they may be confiscated or destroyed.
- Do not bring unauthorized persons or children into the conference facilities.
- Look after your valuable property.
- Check that you have taken all your documents and personal items before you leave the conference room.
- Inform the security and safety services on duty if you lose anything valuable.

Explore Zimbabwe!

Get a glimpse of what makes Zimbabwe such a remarkable destination! From breathtaking landscapes and spectacular wildlife to its rich cultural heritage, Zimbabwe offers a wealth of experiences waiting to be discovered.

Explore the following resources to learn more about the beauty and wonders of the host country:

- **Experience Zimbabwe – Promotional Video:** take a visual journey through Zimbabwe's stunning landscapes, remarkable wildlife and natural wonders.
- **Experience Zimbabwe – Tourism Magazine:** discover more about Zimbabwe's cultural treasures, iconic attractions and unique experiences that make the country a special place to visit.

Emergency Contact Details

Emergency Numbers in Victoria Falls	
Republic Police	+263 712 872 592 +263 773 648 800
Fire Service	+263 83 284 4400
Ambulance Service	+263 83 284 4646 +263 83 284 4764
Victoria Falls National Park Security	+263 83 284 4353 +263 83 284 2294

Annex 1

Accommodation at hotels in Victoria Falls area

Name	Contact
A'Zambezi River Lodge	Tel: +263 776306281 Email: reservations.Azambezi@rtg.co.zw
Amakhosi Hotel	Tel: +263 788533532 Email: res@amakhosivicfalls.com
Batonka Guest Lodge	Tel: +263 717734933 Email: reservations@batonkaguestlodge.com
Bhejane Lodge	Tel: +263 774946542 Email: bhejanelodge@gmail.com
Bishophouse	Tel: +263 788746867 Email: info@bishopshousevicfalls.com
Cresta Sprayview	Tel: +263 83 2844344 Email: fom@sprayview.cresta.co.zw
Elephant Hills Hotel and Resort	Tel: +263 781707146 Email: reservations@ehr.africansun.co.zw
FURUSA Guest House	Tel: +263 77 269 4074
Furusa Lodge	Tel: +263 772694074 Email: info@furusaguesthouse.com
Ilala Lodge	Tel: +263 832844737 Email: reservations@ilalalodge.co.zw
Insika Lodge	Tel: +263 8677009851 Email: res@insikalodge.com
Kabakwe Lodge	Tel: +263 780589932 Email: res@kabakwelodge.com
Kasambabezi Lodge	Tel: +263 716355194 Email: judith@kasambabezilodge.com
Livingstone Lodge	Tel : +263 782818181 Email: info@livingstonelodge.com
Miombo Mews	Tel: +263 789458231 Email: info@miombomews.com
Mopani Lodge	Tel: +263 789277000 Email: tadiwa@mopani.travel
Nguni Lodge	Tel: +263 777468991, +263780589932 Email: reservations@ngunilodge.com
Nkosi Guest Lodge	Tel: +263 832847321 Email: res@bayeteguestlodge.com
Palm River Hotel	Tel: +263 832844737/8 Email: reservations@palmriverhotel.com

Peniel Retreat Centre	Tel: +263 788092361 Email: res@penielvicfalls.com
Rainbow Hotel	Tel: +263 772 307 130 Email: reservations.vfrh@rtg.co.zw
Shearwaters Explorer Village	Tel: +263 832847362 Email: reservations@shearwatervf.com, reception@shearwatervf.com
Shongwe Lookout	Tel: +263 775298598 Email: reservations@shongwelookout.com
Shongwe Oasis	Tel: +263 832844209 Email: reservations@shongwe-oasis.com
Tabokana House	Tel: +263 784902197 Email: tabokanahouse@gmail.com
The Little Outlook	Tel: +263 774944129 Email: reservations@theoutlook.co.zw
The Shrub Lodge	Tel.: +263 788746909 Email: reservations@shrublodge.com
The Victoria Falls Oasis	Tel: +263 780392412 Email: bookings@vicfallsoasis.com
Victoria Falls Backpackers Lodge	Tel: +263 713575413 Email : info@victoriafallsbackpackers.com
Victoria Falls Hotel	Tel: +263 773608944 Email: reservationsmgr@victoriafallshotel.com
Victoria Falls Safari	Tel: +263 712207381/2 Email: resman@saflodge.co.zw saflodge@saflodge.co.zw