

INFORMATION ON THE IOTC ELECTRONIC MONITORING AND REPORTING INFORMATION SYSTEM (e-MARIS) CONSULTATION WORKSHOP

Cape Town, South Africa

1. Workshop dates and venue

The consultation workshop on the e-MARIS application will be held from 25 to 27 October 2017 in Cape Town, South Africa.

The venue of the workshop will be:

**Protea Hotel Cape Town
Waterfront Breakwater Lodge
Portwood Road, V & A
Waterfront
Cape Town 8001
South Africa**

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Website:

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/cptbr-protea-hotel-cape-town-waterfront-breakwater-lodge/>

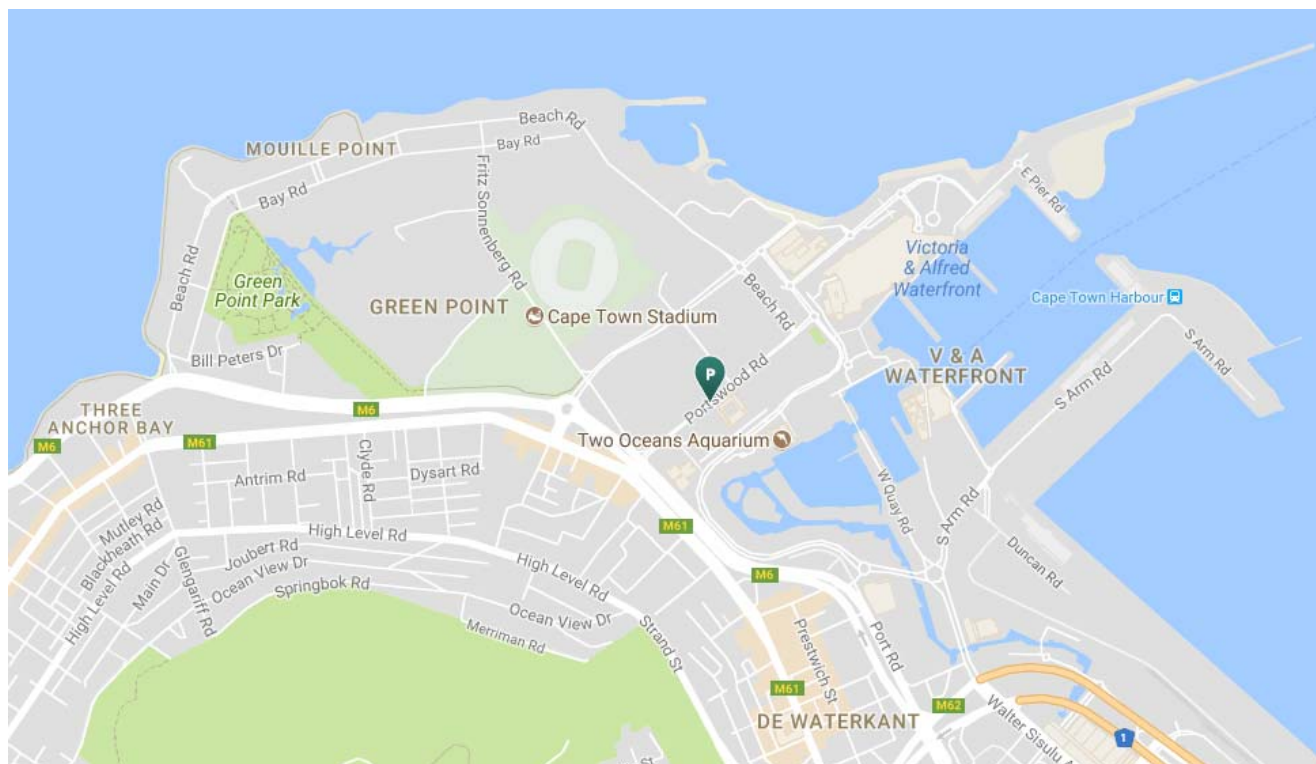


Figure 1: Maps of Cape Town indicating the workshop venue

2. Contacts

The technical contacts for the workshop at the IOTC Secretariat are:

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3. Registration

Participants are reminded that the final list of participants will be based on information provided by your country and the registration process during the first day of the workshop (25 October 2017).

4. Travel arrangements

Getting to Cape Town:

Cape Town has direct links with most major cities around the world or through Johannesburg.

There are several flights daily from Johannesburg to Cape Town, operated by South African Airways (SAA).

5. Accommodation

Rooms are available at the **Protea Hotel Cape Town Waterfront Breakwater Lodge** where the training will take place.

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If you do not wish to stay at Protea Hotel Cape Town Waterfront Breakwater Lodge, please find below a list of hotels in the vicinity of the workshop venue in Cape Town.

Legacy Hotels & Resorts	https://www.legacyhotels.co.za/index.cfm Contact Number +27 (0) 11 806 6888 Email: HOTELS@LEGACYHOTELS.CO.ZA
City Lodge Hotel Victoria And Alfred Waterfront, Cape Town	https://clhg.com/hotels/180/City-Lodge-Hotel-Victoria-and-Alfred-Waterfront- +27 21 419 9450 Email: clva.resv@clhg.com
Stadium Guest House	http://www.stadiumguesthouse.com/ Tel: +27 (0)21 439 5821 Mobile: +27 (0)82 923 2819 Email: stadiumguest@telkomsa.net
Cape Diem LODGE	Skype: CapeDiemLodge Tel: +27 (0)21 439 8170 Mob: +27 (0)768 11 55 74 Email: reservations@capediemlodge.com

Additional choices of hotels are available at the following link:

<http://www.south-african-hotels.com/region/cape-town/hotels/>

6. Arrival and entry formalities

Participants should make their own arrangements for their entry visa in South Africa and it is recommended to do so as soon as possible.

What are the requirements for entering South Africa?

- A valid acceptable passport or travel document good for a sufficient period to cover your intended stay.
- A valid visa, if required.
- Sufficient funds.
- A return or onward ticket.
- At least two blank pages in your passport.
- Yellow fever certificates are required if the journey starts or entails passing through the yellow fever belt of Africa or South America.

Depending on your nationality, and the purpose and duration of your visit, you may not need a visa to visit South Africa.

Check the list of exempted countries:

<http://www.home-affairs.gov.za/index.php/immigration-services/exempt-countries>

For countries not exempted, check the list of South African offices abroad for information on where to apply in your country, http://www.dirco.gov.za/foreign/sa_abroad/index.htm

or

<http://www.southafrica.info/travel/documents/visas.htm#.UuirkxBfpg>

7. Transportation

Consult the hotel's reservation office for availability of transfer from the airport to the hotel.

Care hire companies are available at the airport. Public transport in and around Cape Town includes taxis and buses.

8. Dress code

The dress code for the meeting is Smart Casual.

9. Delegates kit

All documents and other materials for the training will be made available during the workshop.

The work programme will be provided by email to each participant.

10. Electricity

Electricity in South Africa is 220/230 volts AC, 50 Hertz. It is recommended to delegates to bring adequate adaptors with them. Most hotel rooms have 100 volt outlets for electric shavers and appliances.



11. Telephone service

International dialling code

The International dialling code for South Africa is +27

Mobile services:

There are four mobile service operators, Vodacom, MTN, Cell C and 8ta and they can be found on arrival at the airport. They offer SIM card and prepaid recharge for mobile phones.

12. Internet

Wi-Fi facility and internet service are available in the conference area and at hotels. They are at participants' own expense.

13. Currency and exchange information on the IOTC e-MARIS consultation workshop

The currency in South Africa is the Rand (ZAR). The current exchange rates are (03/08/2017):

1 USD = R13.25

1 British Pound = 17.53

1 Euro = R15.69

For update of the exchange rate visit: <http://www.oanda.com/>

To exchange cheques for cash at foreign exchange dealers, you must present a valid passport. Changing foreign currency or travelers cheques can be processed at banks (Absa, FNB, Nedbank, Standard Bank) throughout South Africa or at licensed money changers such as Bidvest.

All major credit cards can be used in South Africa, with American Express and Diners Club enjoying less universal acceptance than MasterCard and Visa.

14. Tourism

Information on tourism in South Africa can be found on the following website:

South African Tourism: www.southafrica.net

South Africa.info: www.southafrica.info

Lonely Planet: www.lonelyplanet.com/south-africa

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