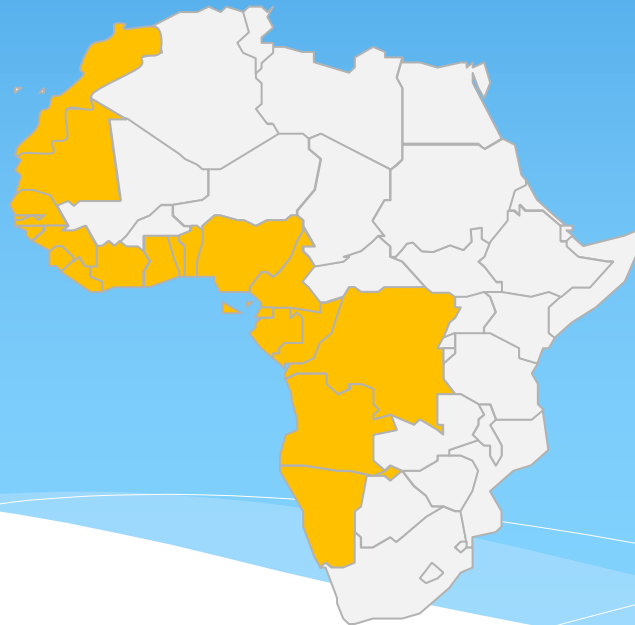




Ministerial Conference on Fisheries Cooperation among African States Bordering the Atlantic Ocean (ATLAFCO/COMHAFAT)

LOGISTIC ARRANGEMENTS MADE BY THE SECRETARIAT OF ATLAFCO for CITES CoP 17 and IWC 66



ATLAFCO Secretariat

Rabat 21 July 2016



CITES CoP 17

Date, venue and registration

- ❑ The 17th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (CoP17) will be held in Johannesburg, South Africa, from 24 September to 5 October 2016.
- ❑ It will be held at the following address:
Sandton Convention Centre 161 Maude Street,
Sandton 2196, Johannesburg,
South Africa
- ❑ Online registration is now open to all participants at <https://cites.org/eng/cop/17/registration.php>.
- ❑ Parties are strongly encouraged to register before Wednesday 10 August 2016.
- ❑ Enquiries about registration should be sent to cop17registration@cites.org.





CITES CoP 17

Credentials for Parties

- ❑ Representatives of Parties must have been granted powers by a proper authority to represent the Party at a meeting.
- ❑ The Standing Committee has endorsed Guidance for submission of credentials of representatives of Parties to CoP meetings, which can be found on **the CITES website**.
- ❑ Please note that all credentials must be issued by the Head of State, the Head of Government or the Minister of Foreign Affairs or an alternate signatory (in a temporary or acting capacity).
- ❑ All credentials should be sent to cop17credentials@cites.org no later than **17 September 2016**. Originals can be brought to the Conference and submitted at registration.



CITES CoP 17

Hotel reservations

- ❑ ATLAFCO Secretariat has made a reservation for all its sponsored Member States delegates based on B&B at the following hotel:

Garden Court Sandton City

Address : West St & Maude Street, Johannesburg, 2196, South Africa

Telephone : +27 11 269 7000

- ❑ Sponsored persons will receive a DSA once they arrive to Johannesburg from **Mr. Mohammed HADDAD**, the financial officer of ATLAFCO
- ❑ ATLAFCO will cover the cost for economy air travel



CITES CoP 17

Visas

- ❑ Participants are responsible for obtaining their own visas and should do so as soon as possible.
- ❑ The Host Country has generously agreed to waive visa fees for all officially registered participants.
- ❑ Information on visa requirements are available at:
<http://www.dha.gov.za/index.php/immigration-services/apply-for-a-south-african-visa>.



IWC 66

Date and venue :

- ❑ The IWC 66 session will be held in Portoroz, Slovenia from 20 to 28 October 2016
- ❑ The venue for the Meeting will be the Convention Centre of the Grand Hotel Bernardin
Obala 2
6320 Portorož
SLOVENIA
T: +386 5 695 10 00
F: +386 5 674 64 11

<http://www.bernardingroup.si/en/bernardin-resort/hotels/grand-hotel-bernardin>



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IWC 66

Hotel reservations:

- ❑ ATLAFCO Secretariat has made a reservation for all its sponsored Member States delegates based on B&B at the following hotel:

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Address : Obala 2b, 6320 Portorož, Slovenia

Telephone : +386 5 690 70 00

- ❑ Sponsored persons will receive a DSA once they arrive to Portoroz from **Mr. Mohammed HADDAD**, the financial officer of ATLAFCO
- ❑ ATLAFCO will cover the cost for economy air travel



IWC 66

Contributions payment

- ❑ Member States parties to IWC should pay their contributions otherwise they will not have the right to vote.
- ❑ ATLAFCO Member States Delegates are requested to make sure of this procedure.
- ❑ ATLAFCO Secretariat will cover the participation for those accomplishing this procedure.



IWC 66

Registration:

□ Registration is via IWC web portal.

https://portal.iwc.int/event_meetings

When you first visit the online registration page you will need to login to your account.

If you have not previously logged into the IWC portal you may need to create an account or reset your password before you can access meeting registration.

After logging in, please ensure your profile is up to date (<https://portal.iwc.int/myprofile>).



IWC 66

Credentials for Parties

- ❑ For member governments, the notification shall indicate the Commissioner, his/her alternate(s) and advisers, and the head of the national delegation to the Scientific Committee and any alternate(s) as appropriate.
- ❑ The written notification shall be made by governments or the heads of organizations as the case may be.



IWC 66

Visas

❑ Holders of a valid Schengen visa

Foreign nationals holding a valid visa issued by any Schengen country may enter Slovenia.

- ❑ **If you do not hold a valid visa** If you are not in possession of a valid Schengen visa, you can apply for one at any Slovenian diplomatic mission or consular post, or at the missions of other Schengen countries with which Slovenia has concluded agreements for issuing short stay visas. There are more than 140 such missions all over the world:

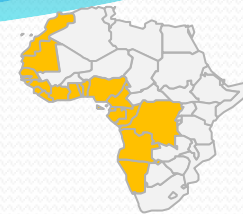
- ❑ http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/home-affairs/e-library/documents/policies/borders-and-visas/visapolicy/docs/20151019_1_annex_28_ms_consular_representation_20_en.xlsx

❑ Important notice

- To receive an invitation from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia, the applicants needing a Schengen visa shall write to the IWC Secretariat (secretariat@iwc.int) and provide it with necessary personal data (name, address, nationality, date of birth, passport number).
- Deadline for registration for applicants needing a Schengen visa is **Friday 2 September 2016**.
- Receiving the complete registration form will enable the Ministry to send you the invitation required for the visa process in due time.



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