

Dear Delegate

23 April 2008

We are now in the final stretch to paste08 and the organizing committee wishes to make some last arrangements and clarifications.

The seminar and workshop programs have been finalized and are available on the website.

The seminar proceedings book has been delivered and we are very happy with the product. Everything is now coming together.

An audio recording of the workshop will be made and then the organizing committee will compile a written version of the day, including the presentations, for distribution to participants afterwards.

#### Dress code

The event is taking place in the tourism area of Botswana. The dress code would therefore be "smart casual". Remember we will be having a government minister opening and closing the seminar and we should dress appropriately. For the evening functions also the dress code will be smart casual.

It has cooled significantly in Botswana over the last week and we would like to advise everyone to bring some warm clothes for the evenings. The cold will reduce the mosquitoes significantly, but long sleeves are still advised for the evenings.

Although the Kasane area is a frost free area, the chill factor at the river can approach temperature below 5 degrees Celsius. The day temperature is expected to be around between 15 and 20 degrees Celsius.

#### Charter Flights

The number of passengers utilizing the charter flights is less than anticipated and the organizing committee had to combine some of the flights.

There will be only one flight per day on the 4<sup>th</sup> and the 5<sup>th</sup> of May. The morning flights on 4<sup>th</sup> May and 5<sup>th</sup> May have been combined with the afternoon flight.

The comfort of our guests is however a priority and we have arranged for resting facilities that have showers to freshen and be comfortable while you wait for the flight.

It is not possible to check your luggage directly from a commercial flight to the charter flight. Everyone will therefore have to collect their luggage at OR Tambo airport and then check in at the Air Botswana counter.

Air Botswana will operate the charter flights from Johannesburg (OR Tambo Airport) to Kasane. They have facilities at OR Tambo airport and check in counters. The check in counter(s) is normally counter 85 to 89.

Zibo Tafa will be at the airport to assist you with any questions and queries.

The flight details will display on the normal flight information display. The flight numbers are in the table below.

Air Botswana will issue e tickets from Friday onwards

### **Charter flight schedule**

Route	Flight Number	Date	Local Departure Time	Local Arrival Time
JNB/BBK	BP9214A	04 May 08	14:55	16:40
JNB/BBK	BP9214	05 May 08	15:05	16:50
BBK/ORP	BP9061	09 May 08	07:00	07:45
ORP/BBK	BP9602	09May 08	08:00	08:45
BBK/JNB	BP9213	09 May 08	10:40	12:25
ORP/BBK	BP9064	09 May 08	14:35	15:20
BBK/JNB	BP9217	09May 08	16:45	18:30
BBK/JNB	BP 9215	10 May 08	09:00	10:45

BBK – Kasane Airport

JNB – OR Tambo Airport at Johannesburg

ORP – Orapa airport

Note that for the same reason advanced above, the flight on the 10th afternoon has been rolled into the morning flight. Arrangements for your comfort at ORT airport has been arranged as above.

### **Road Travel**

The road to Kasane from Nata to Pandamatenga (about 200 km) is in a very poor condition, as there is no alternative road, you will unfortunately not be able to avoid this section. Please drive slowly on this section as there are unexpected potholes and the safe speed is at places well below 60 km per hour and even as low as 30 km per hour in some sections. The up side of this section is that you will be able to view the game along the road. I can't think of any time that I have not seen at least elephants while driving on that section of the road.

### **Transport at Kasane**

Transport has been arranged for guests to be collected at Kasane airport. We will have a representative at the airport to help direct you to your respective hotels.

Transport from the different hotels to the conference venue and back have been arranged for the Tuesday till the Thursday as well as for the Monday workshop.

Can't wait to meet you in Kasane!

Bernard Busani (Chairman Organizing committee)