



Regional Multi-stakeholder Food & Nutrition Security Policy Dialogue

"Resilient African agriculture and food systems:
securing prosperity and health for all"

Durban, South Africa 15-17 August 2017

INFORMATION NOTE

Participants of the 2017 FANRPAN Regional Policy Dialogue are hereby informed of the following measures concerning their stay in Durban, South Africa.

1. REGIONAL POLICY DIALOGUE VENUE AND ACCOMMODATION

The Dialogue will take place at the **Protea Hotels by Marriott Umhlanga Ridge** in Durban, South Africa from 15-17 August, 2017.

Protea Hotels by Marriott Umhlanga Ridge

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All FANRPAN sponsored participants have been booked at the Protea hotel. For self sponsored participants, kindly note that you are free to make a personal reservation directly with Protea Hotel for the duration of your stay in Durban. Alternative accommodation options in proximity to the Policy Dialogue venue include:

- [Aha Gateway Hotel](#)
- [Aha Royal Palm Hotel](#)
- [Aha Urban Park Hotel & Spa](#)
- [Garden Court](#)
- [City Lodge](#)
- [Coastlands Umhlanga](#)

2. AIRPORT TRANSFERS



Airport transfers will be provided for all FANRPAN sponsored participants on the **Protea Hotels by Marriott Umhlanga Ridge** shuttle service. For self-sponsored participants to avail themselves of this service, kindly send your confirmed itineraries to Ms. Hlengiwe Mabena on hmabena@fanrpan.org and copy dialogue@fanrpan.org. Participants are encouraged to update Ms. Mabena of any flight delays or changes in flights.

3. CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

The onsite registration desk will be open from Monday, 14th of August (14h00pm – 16h00pm) and on Tuesday, 15th of August from 07h30am to 08h30am. During registration participants will collect their name tags, agenda and other relevant materials.

To ease the registration process on site kindly complete an online registration on this link: <http://dialogue2017.fanrpan.org/>.

4. CONFERENCE COMMUNICATIONS

To stimulate broader conversations, participants are encouraged to share their ideas, views and insights via social media. Follow the Policy Dialogue proceedings via twitter  @FANRPAN and facebook  www.facebook.com/fanrpan using #FANRPANPD2017 hashtag.

5. SOUTH AFRICA VISA APPLICATIONS

Requirements for visitor's visas for South Africa differ from country to country ([click here to see which countries are currently exempt](#)). Kindly consult your nearest South African mission or consulate.

6. GENERAL INFORMATION ON DURBAN, SOUTH AFRICA

6.1. Geographic, demographic and administrative situation







Durban, a coastal city in eastern South Africa's KwaZulu-Natal province, is the largest city in the South African province of KwaZulu-Natal. Durban's metropolitan municipality ranks third among the most populous urban areas in South Africa after Johannesburg and Cape Town. It is seen as one of the major centres of tourism because of the city's warm subtropical climate and extensive beaches. Refurbished for soccer's 2010 World Cup, Durban's seafront promenade runs from uShaka Marine World, a huge theme park with an aquarium, to the futuristic Moses Mabhida Stadium. The Durban Botanical Gardens showcases African plant species.

Umhlanga offers the best South African tour operators, a wealth of entertainment, restaurants and nature trails, all in a secure environment. The spectacular Gateway shopping centre and Sibaya Casino are some of the key attractions that Umhlanga Rocks has to offer. Ocean enthusiasts and outdoor adventurers will be in their element; surfing, deep-sea fishing, whale watching and dolphin viewing, scuba diving, kite boarding and microflight flips are just some of the many activities available on this wonderful stretch of coastline.

6.2. Climate & weather

Durban has a humid subtropical climate (Köppen climate classification Cfa), with hot and humid summers and pleasantly warm and dry winters, which are snow- and frost-free. Durban has an annual rainfall of 1,009 millimetres (39.7 in). The average temperature in summer ranges around 24 °C (75 °F), while in winter the average temperature is 17 °C (63 °F). Sunrise in Durban on winter solstice occurs at 06:30 and sunset at 17:20.

To guide you on the type of clothes to carry to Durban, herewith the Durban weather forecast from 14th – 18 August April 2017.

Day	Temperature (°C) & weather	Weather symbol
Sun 13 Aug	15 / 25°, Periods of clouds and sun	
Mon 14 Aug	16 / 22°, Periods of clouds and sun	
Tue 15 Aug	16 / 26°C, Mostly cloudy	
Wed 16 Aug	11 / 25°C, Partly sunny	
Thu 17 Aug	12 / 21°C Cloudy, a little rain; colder	
Fri 18 Aug	13 / 21°C Overcast with a shower	

6.3. Local currency

The local currency is the South African Rand. For current exchange rates, kindly click here [OANDA](#). It is possible to use credit cards VISA, Mastercard at the ATMs of banks.

7. CONTACT PERSONS AND DETAILS

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