**African Regional Preparatory Meeting for the 6th Meeting of the Parties to the Agreement on the Conservation of African-Eurasian Migratory Waterbirds (AEWA)**

**25-27 August 2015, African Pride Crystal Towers Hotel, Cape Town, South Africa**

***DRAFT* AGENDA**

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| **Date** | **Morning** | | **Afternoon** | | **Evening** |
| **Monday 24th August** | **[CMS / AEWA / Raptors MoU Southern African Sub-regional Workshop on Preventing Poisoning of Migratory Birds]** | | | |  |
| **Tuesday 25th August** | **8:30-09:00: Registration**  **Welcome & Introductions:**   * Brief welcome * Participant introductions & expectations | **Preparation for AEWA MOP6:**   * Timeline & requirements for MOP6 * Africa working group at MOP6 * Standing Committee & Technical Committee; Africa representation * Hosting a MOP … AEWA MOP7 | **Field Visit** **to Rietvlei Wetland Reserve**   * Waterbird monitoring * Ecotourism & recreation * Seabird rehabilitation | **Preparation for AEWA MOP6:**   * AEWA MOP6 agenda and key issues for Africa + identify leads (PL L & D) | Welcome cocktail with the Deputy Minister of Environment |
| **How well do we know our Agreement?**   * Team quiz | **Official opening:**   * Introduction by DEA * Welcome speech: DM, Ministry of Environment * Migratory waterbirds, AEWA & key issues at MOP6 * Brief resumé of poisoning workshop |
| **Wednesday 26th August** | **Preparation for AEWA MOP6:**   * Conservation Status Report & Waterbird monitoring (PL L) * Reaching common agreement for some key issues: climate change, renewable energy, sustainable use (GW) | **Preparation for AEWA MOP6:**   * Logistics (PL D) * Negotiation refresher (PL IL) * Key negotiation points of regional relevance for MOP6: AEWA strategic plan (GW & PL D) | **Participation at AEWA MOP6:**   * Meeting simulation focused on budget, finance & resource mobilisation (RP PL) | **Participation at AEWA MOP6:**   * Meeting simulation focused on enhancing synergy within the CMS Family (RP PL) |  |
| **Thursday 27th August** | **Implementation:**   * AEWA Plan of Action for Africa: priorities & SrFPCs (PL L & D) * Fisheries impacts on seabirds & Benguela current SAP (PL L) * ISSAP implementation case study (PL L) * ISSAPs & Benguela (GW) | **Implementation:**   * National implementation case study (PL L CS) * Improving AEWA implementation through compliance tools & mechanisms, including guidelines on national legislation (PL L & B) * Communication Strategy (PL L) * Communication: CEPA, CS, WMBD & NFP communication (GW & PL D) | **National reporting:**   * National reporting: questionnaire results (PL D) * National reporting working session (PL IL & EX) | **Closing session:**   * Workshop conclusions * Looking ahead to MOP6 * Evaluation * Close |  |