

Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals





THIRD MEETING OF SIGNATORIES TO THE RAPTORS MOU MOS3

3-6 July 2023, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

Information Note for Participants

Venue and Registration

The Third Meeting of Signatories to the Raptors MOU (MOS3) will be held from **Monday**, **3 July to Thursday**, **6 July 2023** at the Ivory Hall of the Sheraton Mall of the Emirates Hotel in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. To participate in the Meeting, all participants must register online via the MOS3 Registration Form by **24 May 2023**. Participants will also need to present an official identification document (passport or national ID card) at the MOS3 registration desk to obtain the badge that will grant them access to the Meeting venue.

Sheraton Mall of the Emirates Hotel

Sheikh Zayed Road, al Barsha 1 Mall of the Emirates Dubai, United Arab Emirates

Tel: +971 4 377 2000 URL: marriott.com



Hotel and Accommodation

All participants are strongly encouraged to stay at the Sheraton Mall of the Emirates Hotel which is directly connected to the Mall of the Emirates. Should you opt for another accommodation, you will be responsible for your own transport to, and from the Meeting venue.

Sponsored participants are kindly requested to make their own hotel bookings. They will receive a Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA) to cover the cost of their accommodation, meals and terminal expenses calculated according to United Nations (UN) regulations. The DSA will be provided upon arrival at the Meeting venue in the form of a cash card, charged with the appropriate amount. The cash cards used are MasterCard, embossed with a number but no name. They can be used in the same way as regular debit cards (e.g., for getting cash from ATMs, or paying at hotels, restaurants or shops). An ATM is available inside the Sheraton Mall of the Emirates Hotel (Mashreq Bank).

Special discount rates for all participants to MOS3 have been negotiated with the Sheraton Mall of the Emirates Hotel. The code to obtain these discounted rates is UNRMS3. Please make sure you mention this code when making your reservation. The reservation cut-off to benefit from the discount is 21 days prior to the event date, i.e., 12 June 2023. However, rooms are subject to availability, kindly make your reservation ahead of time.

Hotel	Contact details	
Sheraton Mall of the Emirates	+971 4 377 2000 <u>Reservations.03889@sheraton.com</u>	
DISCOUNT CODE: UNRMS3		

If there are no rooms available, we suggest you stay at the following hotels nearby:

Hotel	Contact details
Kempinski Hotel Mall of the Emirates	+971 4 341 0000
	reservations.malloftheemirates@kempinski.com
Novotel Suites Dubai Mall of the	+971 4 382 3200
<u>Emirates</u>	H6670@accor.com
Hilton Garden Inn Dubai Mall of the	+971 4 307 0707
<u>Emirates</u>	Reservations dxbme@hilton.com
Ibis Dubai Mall of the Emirates Hotel	+971 4 382 3000
	h6493@accor.com
Holiday Inn Dubai, Al Barsha	+971 4 323 4333
	info@hialbarsha.com
Millennium Al Barsha	+971 4 211 8111
	Fosup.mdab@millenniumhotels.com

^{*}Please note that this is not an exhaustive list of available hotels in the area.

Participants may choose to use Airbnb accommodations when attending the meeting.

Arrival at the Airport and Transportation

International participants may arrive either at Dubai International Airport (DXB) or Abu Dhabi International Airport (AUH). The venue is located 31 km Northeast from Dubai International Airport (approx. 20 min) and 105 km from Abu Dhabi International Airport (approx. 1h 10min). If you are staying at the Sheraton Mall of the Emirates Hotel, please note that the hotel **DOES NOT** have an airport shuttle service.

Alternate Airport Transportation:

Private Car Service

Kindly contact the Sheraton Mall of the Emirates Hotel to directly book this service.

• From Dubai International Airport: 250 AED per trip for a car for up to 3 persons; 350 AED for a car for up to 7 persons (approx. 20 minutes).

• From Abu Dhabi International Airport: 450 AED per trip for a car for up to 3 persons; 600 AED for a car for up to 7 persons (approx.1 h 10 min)

<u>Taxi</u>

At both Dubai International and Abu Dhabi International Airports, follow the signs to the official taxi rank at each terminal. The ranks are well organised, with taxis available 24/7.

- There is a 25 AED flag charge from the Dubai International Airport. The charge for each km is AED1.96. At Dubai International Airport there is also a fleet of female-driver taxis. These taxis can be distinguished from other taxis by the vehicle's pink roof top.
- From Abu Dhabi International Airport: 250-300 AED per trip.

Metro

Trains run every 10 minutes from Dubai International Airport Terminals 1 and 3 to the Mall of Emirates Metro Station 2. Use the <u>Dubai Metro Red Line</u>. Cost is 4-8.50 AED. This option is not available for participants arriving at Abu Dhabi International Airport.

Shuttle bus

A shuttle service is available **between Abu Dhabi International Airport and Ibn Battuta Mall in Dubai**. The coaches operate 24/7 on an <u>hourly basis</u>. You can buy your ticket from the bus counter at Abu Dhabi International Airport arrivals hall. Cost is 35 AED. From Ibn Battuta Mall, you can reach the Sheraton Mall of the Emirates Hotel in 20 min via <u>Dubai Metro Red Line</u>.

If you are staying at another hotel, please check directly with the hotel for your airport shuttle service.

Getting Around in Dubai

Taxi

Participants who wish to schedule a ride, can call for a Dubai taxi pick-up at +971 4 208 0808. Those who prefer to use an application to book a ride, Uber or Careem are available.

Public transportation

Information on public transportation options is available here.

Documents and Printing

For environmental and economic reasons, hard paper copies of the meeting documents will not be distributed before or during the meeting.

However, a free Wireless Internet (Wi-Fi) service will be available to all participants throughout the venue.

Coffee Breaks

Complimentary refreshments and snacks will be provided during mid-morning and mid-afternoon breaks.

Health and Insurance

Participants are responsible for their own medical care and insurance against accidents, medical emergencies, and any loss of, or damage to luggage or other personal possessions. Information about hospitals and health centers, can be found here.

Banking, Currency and Exchange

The official currency of the United Arab Emirates is the United Arab Emirates Dirham (AED). Exchanging any currency into AED is easy and available at airports, banks and shopping malls. Shopping malls usually have banks and money exchange counters that are open until late in the evening. Dubai's hotels, shops and restaurants extensively accept major credit cards including Visa, MasterCard and American Express. Taxis in Dubai accept credit cards as a form of payment. However, there are times when these machines are 'out of order', so if you need to pay by card, be sure to ask your driver before you get in the taxi.

Climate and Local time

The local time in Dubai is UTC plus 4 hours.

The average temperatures in July are expected to be between 30°C and 41 °C.

Power Supply

The electrical current in Dubai is 220/240 V, 50 Hz AC. British-style 3-pin electrical plugs are used (Type G or 13 amp plug). Socket adaptors are readily available in local stores.

Dress Code

Please ensure that your attire is professional and respectful to the diverse cultures and attendees present at this International Meeting.

Important Contacts

Emergency Numbers in Dubai		
Police	999	
Fire Department	997	
Ambulance	998	
Dubai Consumer Protection	600 54 5555	
Dubai immigration helpline	800-5111	
Tourist Security Department of Dubai Police	800-4438	