

IOGOOS-9 IOP-9 SIBER-3 IRF-3

15-20 October 2012

Protea Sea Point Hotel, Cape Town, South Africa

Information Booklet for Participants

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2012 integrated meetings of the:

Indian Ocean Global Ocean Observing System (9th Annual Meeting);
Indian Ocean Panel of GOOS/CLIVAR (9th Annual Meeting);
Scientific Steering Committee of Sustained Indian Ocean Biogeochemistry and Ecosystem
Resarch of IMBER/IOGOOS (3rd Annual Meeting); and
Indian Ocean Observing System Resources Forum (3rd Annual Meeting).

Meeting schedule

The four groups to meet at the Protea Sea Point Hotel, Cape Town, South Africa, during 15-20 October 2012 are:

- Indian Ocean Global Ocean Observing System, 9th meeting (IOGOOS-9)
- Indian Ocean Panel of GOOS/CLIVAR, 9th meeting (IOP-9).
- Scientific Steering Committee of Sustained Indian Ocean Biogeochemistry and Ecosystem Research of IMBER/IOGOOS, 3rd meeting (SIBER-3)
- Indian Ocean Observing System Resources Forum, 3rd meeting (IRF-3).

They will meet according to the following integrated meeting schedule:

Date	Meetings		Room allocations*
IOGOOS-9, IOP-9, SIBER-3, IRF-3, integrated meeting schedule			
Mon 15/10/12	IOP-9	SIBER-3	Two rooms allocated, all day (one room for IOP-9 and one room for SIBER-3).
Tue 16/10/12	IOP-9	SIBER-3	Two rooms allocated, all day (one room for IOP-9 and one room for SIBER-3).
Wed 17/10/12	IOP-9 + SIBER-3 Joint Session (1/2 day)		1 room allocated, morning (half day).
Thu 18/10/12	IRF-3		1 room allocated, all day.
Fri 19/10/12	IOGOOS-9 (Pilot Projects)		1 room allocated, all day.
Sat 20/10/12	IOGOOS-9 (Annual General Meeting & Reports from IOP, SIBER, IRF, IOGOOS Pilot Projects)		1 room allocated, all day.

^{*}Rooms available from 0800-1700hrs. It is planned for wi-fi to be available in all meeting rooms.

Detailed meeting agendas

These are to be developed and provided to IOGOOS-9, IOP-9, SIBER-3 and IRF-3 participants by their respective Secretariats and Convenors.

Meeting venue

Protea Hotel Sea Point:

Arthur's Road (between Main Road and Beach Road)
Sea Point
Cape Town, Western Cape
South Africa, 8005
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The Protea Hotel Sea Point is a 3-star hotel situated on Arthur's Road, between Main and Beach Roads in Sea Point, Cape Town (see maps below). The Hotel is only minutes from the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront and the Cape Town International Convention Centre, 10 minutes from Clifton beach, 30 minutes from Cape Town International Airport and 5 minutes from Cape Town's central business district.

The hotel offers a shuttle service to and from the CBD and Waterfront areas on a daily basis, at a surcharge.

Accommodation and hotel room bookings

Participant support

Note that the UNESCO IOC Perth Office is not coordinating sponsorship for funded participants directly with participants. This is the responsibility of the Secretariats of the individual groups, as per past practice for such meetings.

Hotel room bookings for the Protea Sea Point Hotel

The hotel is granting discounted rates (885 Rand per night for standard rooms, including breakfast) for participants to our meetings. To receive the discounted rate please book as follows;

NOTE: Do not book via the generic hotel website or web-based reservations area.

NOTE: To make bookings, request your accommodation by quoting the code "WeatherSA" in your booking in order to obtain the discounted rate (885 Rand per night) by emailing or phoning either of the following two representatives of the Protea Sea Point Hotel (who are handling discounted reservations directly).

Ms Laverne Felix at laverne@proteahotels.com

or

Mr Gideon Classen at gideon@proteahotels.com

or

For Phone bookings, call and ask for Laverne or Gideon on +27 21 4343344.

Laverne or Gideon will then liaise with you directly for your own booking.

Hotel booking deadline to guarantee room availability and discount rates

Please note that the Hotel can only guarantee rooms to delegates if they are booked **before 15 Sep 2012**.

Alternative hotels

There are other hotels, of varying categories, within a few kilometers of the venue, however delegates who wish to stay at alternative hotels are requested to source and book those hotels directly. Discounted rates have not been pre-arranged for other hotels.

Transport: Airport - Hotel

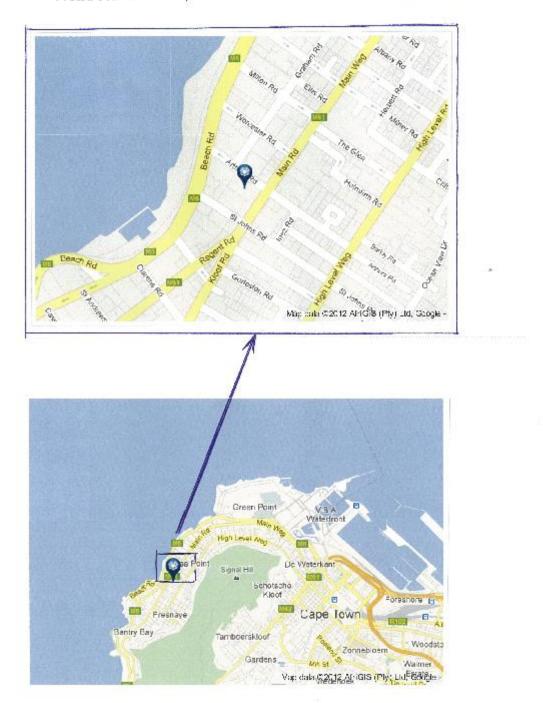
Participants must arrange their own transport to and from the airport.

For your reference however, please note that:

Taxi's charge approximately 300 Rand for a one-way trip from the airport to Protea Sea Point Hotel. Normal practice is that each additional person in a taxi incurs a surcharge of approximately 20 Rand per person.

Protea Sea Point Hotel can arrange for participants to be transported by the Hotel Shuttle, but this needs to be done by prior arrangement and there will be a cost. Guests are requested to liaise direct with the hotel by phone or through the email contacts given above.

Protea Sea Point Hotel, Arthur's Road between Main Road and Beach Road



Distance from Protea Sea Point Hotel to:

- CBD of Cape Town city 3km
- Greenpoint Soccer Stadium 1km
- Victoria & Alfred Waterfront 3km
- Robben Island 3km and ferry ride
- Two Oceans Aquarium 3km
- Cape Town International Convention Centre 5km
- Cape Town Railway Station 5km
- Table Mountain— 6km
- Clifton and Camps Bay Beaches 8km
- Cape Town International Airport 30km
- Cape Winelands 45km (Stellenbosch) 60km (Paarl, Franschhoek)

Catering during the meetings

- Morning teas, lunches and afternoon teas will be provided during all meeting days - no charge to participants.
- Light finger food only will be provided during the cocktail reception on Sunday 14th October no charge to participants.
- During the other listed networking/social events (below) dinners will be provided as part of the event (ie on Tuesday 16th, Thursday 18th and Saturday 20th October) no charge to participants.
- On all other evenings dinners will be at the responsibility and cost of participants. The hotel concierge should be able to recommend dining options, including its own.

Overall Coordination and Planning Focal Point

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Networking / social events

Unless otherwise advised closer to the meetings, these will be held at the Protea Sea Point Hotel.

Sun 14/10/12 (6-8 PM)

• **Cocktail reception** (including finger food) for IOP and SIBER delegates. May include invited locals.

Mon 15/10/12.

None

Tues 16/10/12. Evening.

• Reception dinner for IOP and SIBER delegates.

Wed 17/10/12.

No events planned at this stage.

Thur 18/10/12. Evening

 Reception dinner for IRF delegates + IOP Co-Chairs and Secretary + SIBER Co-Chairs and Secretary + IOGOOS Chair and Secretary and IOGOOS delegates (who will have arrived for the IOGOOS-9 meeting). May include selected local invitees. For IOGOOS delegates this will also serve as a welcoming event.

Fri 19/10/12

None

Sat 20/10/12

• **Closing dinner reception** for IOGOOS delegates. May included selected local invitees.

Host and Sponsor of the meeting

Perth Regional Programme Office of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC), UNESCO.

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Other information

General for Cape Town

 Information on Cape Town per se may be obtained through http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cape Town

Exchange rates:

• On 18 July 2012, 1 USD ~ 8 South African Rand (www.oanda.com)

Climate for Cape Town

