Global Snow Leopard and Ecosystem Protection Program (GSLEP)



& Government of Nepal



Steering Committee Meeting (20 January, 2017)

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Management Planning & Mapping Stocktaking Workshop (17-18 January 2017)

Kathmandu, Nepal

1. Meeti Venud	ng e/Hotel	Soaltee Crowne Plaza, Nepal Tahachal Marg, Kathmandu 00000, Nepal Phone: +977 1-4273999 https://www.ihg.com/crowneplaza/hotels/us/en/kathmandu/ktmnp/hoteldetail
2. Accord	mmodations	For sponsored delegates: The GSLEP Secretariat will cover single occupancy room costs for the nights of January 16, 17, 18, 19 & 20 unless additional nights previously agreed. Internet (wi-fi) within hotel premises is included. Other expenses (i.e. additional nights outside January 16, 17, 18, 19 & 20, costs for accompanying persons, international calls, fax, room service, laundry, mini-bar and all alcohol charges, etc.) should be settled by the participants directly with the hotel upon check-out. Credit card guarantee might be requested by the hotel for personal expenses. For non-sponsored delegates: Single Deluxe Room USD 130.00 + taxes per room per night Double Deluxe Room USD 172.00 + taxes per room per night The above rates are subject to 10% service charge + 13% VAT as levied by the Government of Nepal. The accommodation plan includes the following services: • Welcome drink upon arrival • Accommodation in deluxe rooms • Buffet breakfast at hotel coffee shop • Buffet Lunch & dinner at specified venue by us • Two service of Tea/coffee/cookies during conference • Tea/Coffee makers in all rooms. • Two bottles of mineral water on a daily replenishment basis. • Complimentary use of Swimming Pool, Health Club and Gymnasium without massage

3.	Travel Arrangements	For sponsored delegates, a round trip air ticket (or car trip) will be provided by the GSLEP Secretariat through a local travel agency. The specific route and class will be agreed upon before purchase.
4.	Airport pick- up/drop-off	For sponsored delegates, pick-up and drop-off at the Kathmandu airport will be provided. Please look for a driver or greeter with a GSLEP sign. If you miss the airport transportation, you can get a taxi in the arrival hall at the airport. Hotel Soaltee Crowne Plaza is approximately 9 km and takes about 30-40 minutes under usual traffic from the Tribhuvan International Airport. For non-sponsored delegates, please let the hotel know about your flight details so that they can organize your pick-up and drop-off at predetermined rates.
5.	Passport and Visa Requirement	Passport: Each participant is required to ensure they have a valid passport. Immigration: All passengers, irrespective of Nepalese Nationals or Foreign Nationals who enter into or depart from Nepal shall have to fill up the arrival or departure forms & must fill in all details including address & contact. Visa: Visa: Visitors travelling as tourist can obtain a visa on arrival (Multiple Entry) for a max. stay of 90 days. Please carry a few passport size photographs to avoid delays in obtaining visa on arrival. Fee: 15 Days - US\$ 25 or equivalent foreign currency Extension of tourist stay (up to 150 days) is possible. Fee: USD 20 (plus an additional charge of USD 2 per day extended). People of these countries do not get visa on arrival at the immigration entry points of Nepal: Nigeria, Ghana, Zimbabwe, Swaziland, Cameroon, Somalia, Liberia, Ethiopia, Iraq, Palestine & Afghanistan, unless special instructions are provided by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Nepal. Quarantine Nepal does not officially require any immunizations for entry into the country. Vaccination against Yellow Fever is required if arriving within 6 days after leaving or transiting countries with risk of yellow fever transmission.
6.	Meals	All meals, water and two coffee breaks will be provided for January 17, 18, 19 and 20. Alcohol will not be provided, but can be bought separately from personal expenses.

7. Travel Expenses	For sponsored delegates, travel DSA will be provided to cover expenses incurred during travel depending on the number of days they travel during transit. Please note that no DSA can be paid during the workshop and meeting as all accommodations and meals will be provided during the days of the meeting.		
8. Working Language	The meetings will be conducted in English and Russian with simultaneous translation provided between the two languages.		
9. Activities on January 19, 2017	On the afternoon of January 19, events and trips showcasing the cultural heritage of Nepal will be organized. Details of the same will be provided separately.		
10. General Information	Weather: Temperatures in Kathmandu in January typically range between 3° Celsius (40°F) and 7° Celsius (45°F). There may be frequent showers.		
	Time Zone: Nepal Time (NPT): +05:45 UTC/GMT		
	Exchange Rate: 1 USD = approximately 109 Nepalese Rupee (NPR)		
	Electricity/Plug Outlets: In Nepal the standard voltage is 230 V and the standard frequency is 50 Hz. The power sockets that are used are of type C, D and M.		
11. Contact Details	Venue: Hotel Soaltee Crowne Plaza		
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