About Botswana & Gaborone

The Host City

Botswana is centrally located in the heart of Southern Africa. It shares borders with Zambia in the north, Namibia in the north and northwest, Zimbabwe in the northeast and South Africa in the south.

Gaborone is the Capital City of Botswana. What makes Gaborone so unique is that the visitor can enjoy all the familiar modern conveniences of home, but can gain entry into rural Africa, or wildlife areas, within minutes – having then the best of both possible worlds.

Languages

English is the official language and Setswana, the national language, is the most widely spoken conversational language in Botswana.

Weather

During the month of July the weather in Botswana is usually dry with cool temperatures in the morning and evening. The daytime averages are between 16C and 23C.

Currency

The Pula (BWP) is the currency of Botswana. As of December 2016 the Botswana Pula was equivalent to:

- US Dollar 0.094673
- Euro 0.088028
- British Pound 0.075168
- Australian Dollar 0.125106
- Singapore Dollar 0.133128
- Malaysian Ringgit 0.414891

Please Note: Botswana Pula can only be obtained in Botswana and South Africa. The US Dollar is used in some hotels. Visa card can generally be used in hotels and major retail outlets.

Tourism

Botswana is well known for having some of the best wilderness and wildlife areas on the African continent. A full 38% of its total land area is devoted to national parks, reserves and wildlife management areas – for the most part unfenced, allowing animals to roam wild and free. Travel through many parts of the country has the feeling of moving through an immense Nature wonderland.

The stunning beauty of the Okavango Delta, the unimaginable vastness of the Central Kalahari Game Reserve, the isolation and other-worldliness of the Makgadikgadi, the astoundingly prolific wildlife of the Chobe National Park make Botswana a very unique destination.

The NWYC2017 Congress Office would be delighted to suggest to you pre and post NWYC2017 destinations for you to explore.
Sports

Sport is part and parcel of the social fabric of the Botswana society and is playing an increasingly crucial role in our human development and nation-building efforts. In 2014 we hosted the Association of National Olympic Committees of Africa (ANOCA 2014 Africa Youth Games) as part of our integrated strategy and approach to nation-building, whereby we intend to use sport as a tool for transforming the lives of our people, regardless of their age, gender, physical ability, religion, socio-economic status or geographic location.

The Netball World Youth Cup 2017 is another excellent opportunity for Botswana, and we look forward to welcoming you to “Our Pride, Your Destination”

Congress Venue

The NWYC2017 INF Congress will be held at the Gaborone International Convention Centre, located at the Grand Palm.

As per the INF Regulations, each INF Full Member is allowed to send up to 2 Delegates and 1 Observer, whilst INF Associate Members are allowed 1 Observer.

Congress Delegates Accommodation

The Congress Delegates Accommodation will be provided at the following 2 Hotels. The Hotels are on the same grounds within the Grand Palm where the GICC (Congress Venue) is also located:

*The Peermont Walmont at the Grand Palm (4 Star) www.grandpalm.bw*
Peermont Metcourt Inn at the Grand Palm (3 Star) [http://www.grandpalm.co.za/hotels/peermont-metcourt-inn]

Please note the following:

- Delegates will be required to BOOK their accommodation using the BOOKING FORM on page 6.
- Upon confirmation of booking and issuance of an invoice by the NWYC2017 Congress Office, Delegates will be required to PAY their accommodation through the Bank Details provided on page 6.
- Delegates CANNOT book directly with the Hotels provided.
- The NWYC2017 Congress Office will
  • Coordinate the INF Congress Delegates accommodation
  • Coordinate all rooming lists
  • Coordinate the INF Congress Delegate ground transport, including Airport Transfers
  • Provide a single point of reference for Congress Delegates
  • Provide an on the ground support desk during the event based at the Peermont Walmont Hotel at the Grand Palm
  • Delegates are strongly encouraged to stay at the 2 designated Hotels
  • Transport to the Competition Venues and all official events will ONLY be provided from the Peermont Walmont & Metcourt Inn Hotels

### Hotel Rates

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Calendar of Events

- Wednesday 5th July (evening)  Congress Delegates Welcome Function
- Thursday 6th July  Day 1 Congress
- Friday 7th July  Day 2 Congress
- Saturday 8th July  Opening Ceremony & Opening Game
- Sunday 9th July – Sunday 16th July  NWYC2017 Games
- Sunday 16th July  NWYC2017 Closing Ceremony

Travel Documents, Visa & Immunizations

Certain countries will require visas to enter Botswana. Most Commonwealth Countries are not required to have any entry visas for Botswana. Any request or visa should be sourced through the Botswana Embassy/High Commission in the respective countries, and are not the responsibility of the Organising Committee, Host Country or the NWYC2017 Congress Office. The NWYC2017 Congress Office, the OC or the Host Country have no responsibility for Delegates denied entry into Botswana; however, we will be available to assist as much as we can.

Please note that since all flights into Botswana transit through some other country, delegates are required to establish the transit visa requirement pertaining to the country they will be transiting through.

Delegates will be responsible for the organization and payment of their own travel visas and any transit visa as required, with their nearest embassy. Delegates will also be responsible for the organization and associated cost of travel insurance.

Travel to Gaborone

When using Air Travel, there are several airports that give direct access to Gaborone, Botswana. These are:
- ETHIOPIA, Addis Ababa - Addis Ababa Bole International Airport
- SOUTH AFRICA: Johannesburg - OR Tambo International Airport
- SOUTH AFRICA, Cape Town - Cape Town International Airport

Delegates Ticketing

Delegates will have access to a VIP Lounge, which includes access to designated seating at Competition Venue 1 (The University of Botswana Indoor Arena). For Venue 2 (Ditshupo Hall) there will be limited VIP seating, therefore access to the VIP area will be on a first come basis. Delegates arriving when the VIP area is filled up will be required to sit in the general public seats. Official Event accreditation must be presented to access all Competition Venues. This accreditation is NOT transferrable.
Transport

The NWYC2017 Congress Office will organize delegates’ ground transport for the Event. Ground transport provisions include transfers to and from the airport on arrival/departure, transportation between Congress, Congress Hotels and Competition Venues for the duration of the Event. Transport will be provided for ONLY Delegates staying at the Official NWYC2017 Congress Hotels as arranged through the NWYC2017 Congress Office.

The NWYC2017 Congress Office can assist with additional vehicles for private use throughout the Event at the Delegates’ own expense.

Map Showing Competition Venues relative to Congress Accommodation

General Enquiries

If you have any questions about the NWYC2017, please contact:

Ms. Tshegofatso Jeremiah
NWYC2017 INF Congress Liaison
Email: tshegofatso@nwyc2017.com
Phone: +267 368 26 81
NWYC2017 Congress Delegates Booking Form and Payment Schedule

COUNTRY NAME: _____________________________________________________________

DELEGATES DETAILS: Details of the number of Delegates attending
Delegate 1: ___________________________________________________________________
Delegate 2: ___________________________________________________________________
Observer: ______________________________________________________________________

Contact of Person Responsible for Delegates Payments:
Name: _________________________________________________________________________
Email Address: __________________________________________________________________
Tel/Fax Numbers: ___________________ Mobile Number: ____________________________

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Terms and Conditions:

1. A 25% deposit will be required to be paid by electronic transfer or credit card, to be paid by the 31st May 2017 in order to secure your booking.
2. If you wish to pay the deposit by credit card, please contact tshegofatso@nwyc2017.com for further arrangements with the Hotel of your choice.
3. For final cash settlements we require full payment upon check in and a further 50 USD per day, to cover any incidental charges, which may be incurred.
4. For Credit Card settlements we require a pre authorisation at check in, for total cost of your Stay and any incidentals.
5. Amenities include: breakfast, complimentary use of high speed internet or WIFI in all the areas: complimentary 1 bottle of mineral water per room per night
6. Check in is from 15h00, and check out is at 11h00 on the day of departure.
7. Please confirm the booking form and return to tshegofatso@nwyc2017.com by 31st May 2017.
8. Should the NWYC2017 Office not receive confirmation (booking form and 25% deposit) by this date, we cannot guarantee you a booking.
9. All payments should be in USD and paid by electronic transfer or by credit card. Please ensure that you transfer the FULL USD amount and provide for all bank charges.

I, the undersigned, accept the above terms and conditions.

Signature__________________________   Date____________________________

Payments

Payment should be made to the following bank account:

Bank Name: First National Bank Botswana
Account Name: Global Resorts Botswana
Branch: FNB Corporate
Branch Code: 282267
Account Number: 620 5625 029 5
Swift Code: FIRNBWGX719

NB: Please reference your Country Name AND Delegate Name when making any payment. For example, Ref: Botswana, Tshegofatso Jeremiah.