

IMPS-SA CONFERENCE 2019 - INFORMATION DOCUMENT

HOSTING MUNICIPALITY: CITY OF MBOMBELA (Nelspruit), Mpumalanga

Mbombela Local Municipality is an administrative area in the Ehlanzeni District of Mpumalanga in South Africa. Mbombela is a siSwati name meaning "a lot of people in a small space".



The Giraffe: Symbolizes visionary outlook of the new City of Mbombela as it aspires to become a metro. Giraffe's strength includes seeing far into the future, ability to reach things that are unreachable to others, communication, intuition and ability to remain above the fray.

Alphabet "O" – the sun: The alphabet "O" in the name Mbombela is a critical feature of the logo. It represents the Sun drawing reference to the Mpumalanga Province, the place of the rising sun,

which **the City of Mbombela is the capital**. The "O" also represent the warmth of the people of the City. It symbolises a new day and the rejuvenation of life through sun light.

Mbombela City lies in the fertile valley of the Crocodile River and has been called the gateway to Mpumalanga and the Kruger National Park. The Lowveld botanical gardens just outside Mbombela City boasts a rare collection of plant species and the first man-made rain forest which attracts the majority of Mbombela City visitors.

The Municipality came about through the **amalgamation of previous local councils** in December 2000. The Local Councils were Nelspruit TRC, White River TRC, **WHITE RIVER TLC**, Hazyview TLC and the Greater Nelspruit Area.



THIS YEAR THE IMPS-SA CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD IN WHITE RIVER (Afrikaans: *Witrivier*) which is a small holiday and farming town situated just north of Mbombela in Mpumalanga, South Africa. The farms in the region produce tropical fruits, vegetables, flowers and timber.

1. CONFERENCE VENUE: PREMIER HOTELS WINKLER

Address: R538 NUMBI GATE ROAD, WHITE RIVER, MPUMALANGA

Reservations: 013-7507300

Travel Options

- **to OR TAMBO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT - then to WHITE RIVER BY CAR** - 341km (3hours 37 minutes), via N12 & N4
- **to OR TAMBO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT - and then to KRUGER MPUMALANGA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (Nelspruit)**
Popular domestic flights depart from OR Tambo, Cape Town and Durban to Kruger Mpumalanga International
- **from KRUGER MPUMALANGA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT - to WHITE RIVER by car** - 14km (17 minutes) via R538

Most visitors to Mbombela (Nelspruit) fly into **O.R. Tambo International Airport (JNB)** near **Johannesburg**. From here a connecting flight goes to **Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport (MQP)** in Mpumalanga, which is a 17 minute drive to White River. The **airport** serves South African Airways. Popular domestic flights to **Nelspruit** depart from Johannesburg, Cape Town, and Durban.

2. **IMPS-SA Conference Schedule:**

TUESDAY 13 AUGUST 2019

Arrival at accommodation:

- **09h00**
IMPS-SA NC/EXCO Meeting (**NC's only**)

Directly after conclusion of NC/EXCO meeting: Election of new NC's for the term 2019-2021
- **14h00 - 15h00**
IMPS-SA AGM (Members with voting rights. Observers in attendance will not be allowed to vote)
- **14H00**
Firearms specialists/Exhibitors to transport **delegates who have indicated** on their conference registration forms that they would participate in this event, to **attend 'demo'** of latest technology and firearms at nearby shooting range.

NB:

Please refer conference registration form and indicate whether you wish to attend this 'demo' of firearms

- **14h00 - 16h00**
Exhibitions set up
- **16h00 - 17h00**
Early registration at conference venue.
Conference Venue: Premier Hotel Winkler, White River

Delegates who so prefer, have free time to explore the area and surrounds at their own leisure.

NB: On this day delegates to provide own lunch.

- **19:00**
Evening 'Meet & Greet' Cocktail Function at Premier Hotel Winkler, White River.
DJ to provide music

NB:

Please refer conference registration form and indicate whether you wish to attend the Meet & Greet Cocktail function

WEDNESDAY 14 AUGUST 2019

Full day formal conference at **Premier Hotel Winkler Conference Venue, White River**

- **08h00 – 09h00**
Registration.
- **09h00**
Conference commences 09h00 sharp.

Arrival Tea/coffee; Mid morning tea break/Lunch/Afternoon tea break

- **19h00 – Wednesday Evening**
Gala Dinner Function.
Venue: **Premier Hotel Winkler, White River**
Music provided by DJ

NB:

Please refer conference registration form and indicate whether you wish to attend the Gala Dinner

THURSDAY 15 AUGUST 2019

Full day formal conference at **Premier Hotel Winkler Conference Venue, White River**

- **08h00 – 09h00**
Registration.
Conference commencing 09h00 sharp.

Arrival Tea/coffee; mid morning tea break / Lunch

FORMAL CONFERENCE CONCLUDES AT 16:00

- **19:00 - THURSDAY EVENING**
Informal 'Farewell' BRAAI function
Venue: **Premier Hotel Winkler, White River**
DJ to provide music

NB:

Please refer conference registration form and indicate whether you wish to attend the Farewell Braai function

FRIDAY 16 AUGUST 2019

- **Special Game Drive to Skakuza in Kruger National Game Park**
- **Lunch will be provided after the Game Drive**
- **Delegates depart for home**

NB:

Please refer conference registration form and indicate whether you wish to participate in this wonderful opportunity of going on the Game Drive

Please see suggested accommodation options on page 4

3. ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS:

Accommodation listed in no particular order:

ACCOMMODATION	Address	Contact Telephone & E-Mail address for hotels	Distance KRUGER MPUMALANGA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT to HOTEL	Distance HOTEL to PREMIER HOTEL WINKLER CONFERENCE VENUE
PREMIER HOTEL WINKLER	R538 Numbi Gate Road, White River, Mpumalanga	013-7507300	14km 17 min drive R538	Conference venue
CASTER BRIDGE HOLLOW BOUTIQUE HOTEL	Casterbridge Lifestyle Centre, R40, White River, Mpumalanga	013-7377752 reservations@casterbridgehollow.co.za	14,8km 19 min drive	3,6km 4min drive
GREENWAY WOODS	Vintage Drive (Off R40), White River	013-7511094 gm@greenway.co.za	19.2km 23 min drive	7.7km 8 min drive
WHITE RIVER A FOREVER HOTEL	34 Alie van Bergen Street (Off Chief Mgiyeni Khumalo Drive) White River Mpumalanga	013-7511100 info@foreversa.co.za	14km 18 min drive GPS: Lat:25°19'44.9"S Lon:31°00'44.8"E	6.7km 7 min drive
PINE LAKE INN	Main Hazyview Road, (Off R40), White River, Mpumalanga	013-7515036 pinelake@africanskyhotels.com	19.6km 24 min drive	8.1km 9 min drive
OLIVERS RESTAURANT & LODGE	on the White River Country Estate Pine Lake Drive, White River	013-7500479 res@olivers.co.za	18.2km 22 min drive	6.7km 7 min drive