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Department:  
Tourism  
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

# MOUs BETWEEN NDT AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS

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# PURPOSE

- **To present a summary of MOUs with other departments and the NDT**
- **The two departments are Environmental Affairs and Home Affairs**

# MoU: Home Affairs

## Lay Out

- Pre amble
- Definitions and Interpretations
- **Purpose**
- **Areas of Cooperation by Parties**
- **Roles and Responsibilities**
- Good Faith and Reasonableness

# MoU: Home Affairs

## Lay Out

- Settlements of disputes
- Entry into Force, Amendments and Duration
- Termination
- Confidentiality
- Indemnity
- Domecilia

# Home Affairs

## Purpose

- To outline areas of collaboration between the two parties in the interest of the promotion of tourism growth and development within the country
- To strengthen and prioritize the issuance of visas by DHA in favour of tourism markets as identified in the SA market Portfolio or any other market, for a period of 2011 to 2014

# Home Affairs

## Areas of Cooperation

- Designation of direct persons to deal with resolution of queries, support organised group travel and mega events
- To review the impact of the interventions
- Continuous interaction on transit visa including the impact thereof

# Home Affairs

## Areas of Cooperation

- To cooperate on country's position with regards to SADC UNIVISA
- To cooperate broadly on matters pertinent to migration policy and its implementation
- To cooperate on the collection of data for tourism stats at all ports of entry

# Roles and Responsibilities

## DHA undertakes to:-

- Facilitate the application for waiver of visa requirements to Immigration Act, 2002 (Act No 13 of 2002)
- Issue multiple entry visa for frequent travellers to SA on condition a traveler builds a clear record

# Roles and Responsibilities

## DHA

- Fast track issuance of visa related to business and mega events
- Improve systems at point of application in mission host country to ensure adherence to turn around times.
- Reduce the official turnaround times where applicable

# Roles and Responsibilities

## NDT undertakes to:-

- Ensure that the tourism industry through its associations shall work through the designated official to ensure legitimacy of those accessing this dispensation and also prevent abuse,
- Provide training on tourism significance for the DHA frontline staff at SA Diplomatic Missions abroad

## Lay out

- Pre amble
- Definitions
- **Objectives**
- **Institutional Arrangements, Roles and Responsibilities**
- **Principles of Cooperation**

## Lay out

- Confidentiality
- Corruption
- Review and Amendments
- Dispute Resolution
- Entry Force, Duration and Termination
- Domicilium

## Objective

- Sustainable planning and management of tourism activities in protected and vulnerable terrestrial, marine and coastal ecosystems and habitats of major importance for biological diversity, as well as, the socio-economic and cultural impact of tourism

Both Parties undertake to:-

- Share information including research conducted by either on areas of mutual interest
- Develop mechanism aimed at institutionalisation of service standards in protected areas including Transfrontier Conservation areas

# DEA & NDT

## Both Parties undertake to:-

- Jointly develop and implement community based capacity building programmes
- Utilise the capacity within NDT and its agencies to market areas and facilities under the mandate of DEA and its agencies
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# DEA & NDT

## Both Parties undertake to:-

- develop common approach in promoting cross-border tourism activities including joint implementation of marketing plan for Transfrontier Conservation Areas where appropriate,
- Identify projects or products of mutual interest which can be financed, and implemented by either party with the support of the other party and this shall be on the basis of an agreed product development plan,

# DEA & NDT

## Both Parties undertake to:-

- Jointly promote responsible tourism i.e tourism that reconciles economic growth with the need to preserve the earth's physical environment and ecological processes,
- Jointly promote social tourism to create opportunities for people with modest income including rural communities to enjoy tourism,
- Inform and involve each other when developing policies, strategies on areas of common interest,

# Institutional Arrangements, Roles & Responsibilities

## Ministerial Forum:-

- Gives political guidance
- Approves Ministerial activities
- Approves joint presentation to SADC or internal Ministerial meetings

## DG Forum

- Approves the joint implementation plans
- Determines the agenda for the ministerial meeting
- Approves the transfer of funds joint projects

# Institutional Arrangements, Roles & Responsibilities

Coordinating committee ( CDs relevant officials)

- Identification of potential projects
- Develops joint implementation plans
- Establish stakeholder engagements for a
- Monitors and evaluates the impact of the Agreement

# Principles of Cooperation

- Respect the role of the lead department on an agreed joint project
- Acknowledge each party's support
- Honour commitments
- Represent each party well international engagements
- Ensure that the information of mutual interest is forwarded to each party within reasonable time frames

# THANK YOU



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