

# PROGRAMME vs 301019

## ALWG MEETING IN MPALA RESEARCH CENTRE, KENYA

2 AND 3 NOVEMBER 2019

### THE LAIKIPIA EXCURSION

4 AND 5 NOVEMBER 2019

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**During the first day, a number of observers and KWS staff and KWS Management will participate.**

<b>DAY 1. SATURDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2019 DAY CHAIR HANS DE IONGH</b>		
<i>Morning session</i>		
7:00 - 8:30	Breakfast	
7:45 - 8:45	<b>Late Registration (first registration upon arrival in Mpala on 1 November 2019)</b>	
8.45 - 8.50	Short welcome. Introduction morning sessions and announcements by Day Chair	Hans de Iongh
8:50 - 9:00	Opening speech by Director Mpala Research Centre	Dino Martins
9:00 - 9:10	Short welcome by Chair ALWG	Kelly Marnewick
9:10 - 9:25	Welcome speech by Director General KWS	Brig. (Rtd) John M. Waweru
9:25 - 10:00	Tea/coffee break + Group photo	
10:00 - 10:25	Lion conservation in Kenya, lessons learned by Director Biodiversity Research and Planning	Patrick Omondi
<b>10:25 - 12.00</b>	<b>FIRST PLENARY SESSION ON THE AFRICAN LION DATA BASE CHAired BY SAMANTHA NICHOLSON</b>	
10:25 - 10:40	African Lion data base	Samantha Nicholson
10:40 - 10:50	Lion numbers in West and Central Africa	Etotepe Sogbohossou
10:50 - 11:00	Lion numbers in East Africa	Nic Elliot
11:00 - 11:10	Lion numbers in Southern Africa	Paul Funston
11:10 - 11:20	Lion numbers in India	Meena Venkataraman
11:20 - 12:00	Discussion	
12:00 - 14:00	Go Bokke! (Cheer for the Springboks in the Rugby Worldcup Final)	
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch	

<i>Afternoon Session</i>		
14.00 - 14.05	Short introduction afternoon sessions and announcements by Day Chair	Hans de longh
<b>14:05 - 16:55</b>	<b>SECOND PLENARY SESSION ON LION GENETICS CHAIRIED BY LAURA BERTOLA</b>	
14:05 - 14:15	Phylogenetic relationships in the lion and application of genetics for conservation management	Laura Bertola
14:15 - 14:25	Lion genetics and metapopulation management: A South African perspective	Susan Miller
14:25 - 14:35	Genetics of Zambia lions	Caitlin Curry
14:35 - 14:45	The African lion genome project	Simon Morgan/Ellie Armstrong
14:45 - 14:55	Availability of materials (including live animals) for understanding the lions' diversity (including its genetic diversity)	Noboyuki Yamaguchi
14.55 - 15.05	Development of a collaborative lion traceability network	Simon Dures
15:05 - 15:30	Tea/coffee break	
15:30 - 16.55	Discussion	
16.55 - 17.00	Short introduction and announcements by Day Chair	Hans de longh
17:00 - 17:15	Collaboration, Inclusion and Diversity in lion conservation	Members of Pride Lion Conservation Alliance (Amy Dickman, Shivani, Alayne Cotteril)
17:15 - 17:25	Discussion	
17.25 - 17.30	Closing remarks and announcements Day Chair	Hans de longh
<i>Evening</i>		
19:30 - 20:30	Dinner	
20:30 - 21:00	The Wildlife Conservation Network's Lion Recovery Fund	Peter Lindsey
21:00 - 21:30	Applauding the going Chair Sarel van der Merwe, and welcoming the new Chair of the ALWG	Kelly Marnewick
21:30 - 00:00	Discussion and social gathering with drinks	

<b>DAY 2. SUNDAY 3 NOVEMBER 2019 DAY CHAIR KELLY MARNEWICK</b>		
<i>Morning session</i>		
7:00 - 8:15	Breakfast	
8:30 - 8:35	Opening. Introduction morning sessions and announcements by Day Chair	Kelly Marnewick
8:35 - 8:50	Outcomes of the Disney supported Lion Footprint Forum	Paul Thomson
8:50 - 9:00	Questions	Kelly Marnewick
<b>9:00 - 11:10</b>	<b>THIRD PLENARY SESSION ON CHALLENGES AND SOLUTIONS PER REGION CHAIRED BY LAURENCE FRANK</b>	
9:00 - 9:10	Ecological and socio-political fragility of 68 lion populations in Africa	Amy Dickman
9:10 - 9:20	Challenges and solutions in West and Central Africa	Pricelia Tumenta
9:20 - 9:30	Challenges and solutions in East Africa	Amy Dickman
9:30 - 9:40	Challenges and solutions in Southern Africa	Paul Funston
9:40 - 9:50	Living with Lions in Laikipia	Laurence Frank
9:50 - 10:20	Tea/coffee break	
10:20 - 11:10	Discussion	
11:10 - 12:10	Governance of the ALWG	Kelly Marnewick
12:10 - 12:25	Presentation on lion conservation guidelines	Urs Breitenmoser and Hans Bauer
12:25 - 12:35	Discussion	
12:35 - 12:45	Presentation ALWG website	Caitlin Curry
12:45 - 12:55	Questions	
12.55 - 13.00	Closure and announcements by Day Chair	Kelly Marnewick
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch	
<i>Afternoon session</i>		
14.00 - 14.05	Short introduction afternoon sessions and announcements by Day Chair	Kelly Marnewick
<b>14:05 - 16:15</b>	<b>FOURTH PLENARY SMALL SESSION ON CO EXISTENCE IN LION CONSERVATION CHAIRED BY HANS BAUER</b>	
14:05 - 14:15	Wildlife in Sudan	Ameer Awad and Hans Bauer
14:15 - 14:25	Options for boma improvement in Laikipia	Steven Ekwanga
14:25 - 14:35	The role of conservation education in Cameroon	Elise Bakker and Iris Kirsten
14:35 - 14:45	Co-management in practice; Human Lion conflicts in Kenya	Francis Lesilau
14:45 - 15:15	Tea/coffee break	
15:15 - 16:15	Discussion	

<b>16:15 - 18:30</b>	<b>FIFTH PLENARY SESSION ON LION BONE TRADE AND TRADITIONAL CHINESE MEDICINS CHAIRED BY VIVIENNE WILLIAMS</b>	
16:15 - 16:25	Latest developments in the trade in SA African lion bones	Vivienne Williams
16:25 - 16:35	Latest developments in the use of lion bones in Chinese Traditional Medicines	Peter Coals
16.35 - 16:45	The poaching of lions for bones and body parts in West and Central Africa	Pricelia Tumenta and Gueye Malle
16:45 - 16:55	Captive lions in South Africa; status, welfare issues, mortal accidents and poaching	Kelly Marnewick
16:55 - 17:55	Discussion	
17:55 - 19:00	Summary of discussions and closing of ALWG meeting by Chair ALWG and Prof. David Macdonald	Kelly Marnewick and David Macdonald
<i>Evening</i>		
19:30 - 20:30	Dinner	
20:30 - 00:00	Social gathering with drinks	

**MONDAY 4 AND TUESDAY 5 NOVEMBER: EXCURSION TO LAIKIPIA ORGANISED BY LAURENCE FRANK**

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*The excursions will consist of visits to Laikipia ranches and conservancies to learn how they raise livestock commercially in rangelands that also support robust populations of all the African large carnivores and their wild prey. We will see the locally developed mobile lion-proof bomas, local herding practices, the use of GPS collars to aid in lion and livestock management, and the new Lion Rangers programme.*