

International Society of Wildlife Endocrinology (ISWE)

8th ISWE Conference Riverview Retreat, Corbett National Park Dhikuli 6 – 10 November 2023

The International Society of Wildlife Endocrinology is a non-profit organization that provides a forum for collaboration and information exchange to advance the science of wildlife endocrinology. Our members develop and apply innovative approaches to study wildlife health, reproduction, welfare, and conservation.

During this conference, graciously hosted by Ahmedabad University, Center for Cellular & Molecular Biology, and Wildlife Institute of India, we will hear about projects that focus on animal reproduction function, integrative animal health, and biomarkers of physiologic stress. We will learn about innovative techniques and how wildlife endocrinology is applied in a wide variety of ways, including those species in which long-term studies have yielded significant impacts on wildlife conservation.

Presentations will include two plenary talks, oral presentations selected from the best submitted abstracts, an evening poster session complete with complimentary snacks and beverages, and even a Mentor-Mentee Trivia Night!

Registration covers an ice-breaker dinner, lunch and tea for breaks for all three conference days, snacks and drinks during the poster session, transportation from the Delhi airport to the conference venue, if needed, and a cultural evening dinner!

Conference activities will begin on the 6th of November with an invite-only board meeting beginning first thing in the morning, and an ice-breaker dinner in the evening for all attendees. Scientific content will be scheduled for the 7th, 8th, and 9th of November. No conference activities are scheduled on 10th of November (departure day).

For the 8th ISWE conference, we have also added the option to attend the conference virtually. People registering for virtual attendance cannot participate actively in the conference (e.g. no opportunity to present own research), but they will be able to attend the scientific program (with exclusion of the poster session) of the conference live, or watch recorded talks after-the-fact that will be posted to the conference website.



IN PERSON REGISTRATION RATES

LOG IN AS A MEMBER ON THE WEBSITE PRIOR TO REGISTRATION!!!! (if not, you will be charged the nonmember registration fee)

Late registration (CLOSED; only still available for national travelers)	Rate
ISWE Members	\$450 USD
	(INR 37056)
Non-members	\$625 USD
	(INR 51467)

*Exchange rate: ~82.35 Indian Rupee = 1 US Dollar (check online for most up-to-date exchange rate)

VIRTUAL REGISTRATION RATES

OPEN until 27th of October

Registration type	Rate
Student	\$30
ISWE member	\$60
Non-member	\$100

Virtual registration includes access to live presentations, or posted recordings to be watched at your convenience, as well as all chat features and materials available to conference attendees during and after the event.

ACCOMMODATION AND RATES

Booking of lodging was only guaranteed until 31th of August. If you still need accommodation, you will have to check with Mr. Rishab if any room is still available (<u>rishab.raj@leisurehotels.in</u>).

Safaris were only bookable until 45 days prior to the conference (e.g. until 22nd of September).

Our conference venue, The Riverview Retreat, Corbett, also provides accommodation.

Address: Riverview Retreat, Corbett National Park, Zero Garjia, Dhikuli, Ramnagar, Nainital, Uttarakhand 244715, India; +91 59 4728 4135

Remark: new conditions dd. 23.05.23.

Book your safaris together with your lodging!

Booking your lodging needs to happen **<u>PRIOR</u>** to registration, as you will be required to enter your lodging invoice number on your online conference registration form.

Options	Rate <mark>per room</mark> per night
Superior Cottage – king size bed, details below (1 person)	8849 INR (~\$108 USD)
Superior Cottage – king size bed, details below (2 persons) ^a	8849 INR (~\$108 USD)
Family suite – king size bed, details below (2 persons) ^b	8849 INR (~\$108 USD)

^aA third person can be added to the room (mattress or bed (depending on availability) & breakfast) for 3000 INR extra

^bA third, sometimes fourth person (see below) can be added to the room (mattress or bed (depending on availability) & breakfast) for 3000 INR extra per person

For children, those up to 5 years of age are free, 5- to 12-year-olds are 50% of adult cost, and above 12 years old are considered adults.

Only 2 types of rooms are available for the conference: <u>Superior cottages</u> and <u>family suites</u>; the latter can be upgraded to 4-person rooms (1 king size bed + 2 single beds) on request (Family Duplex), but only limited rooms of this category are available). **Do not ask for other room types that may be available on the website**.



Superior cottage

Family Suite details



Follow the workflow specified below for booking:

1. Email: <u>rishab.raj@leisurehotels.in</u> cc: <u>sales.coordinator@leisurehotels.in</u> IMPORTANT DATE Deadline for guaranteed accommodation in reserved room block: August 31, 2023

Subject line: Riverview retreat_Wildlife endocrinology conference booking/ INSERT YOUR NAME

PLEASE STICK TO THE SAME SUBJECT LINE THROUGHOUT YOUR RESERVATION AND KEEP ALL PEOPLE CC'D BY THE RETREAT CC'D IN EVERY COMMUNICATION.

Email body: I would like to reserve lodging of NUMBER OF ROOM TYPE for NUMBER OF PEOPLE from DATE to DATE.

- 2. Next, wait for response of Mr. Rishab.
- After a successful payment, you will receive an email containing your invoice enter the invoice number into the conference registration form: <u>https://www.iswe-</u> endo.org/conference/registration/

TRAVEL INFORMATION

For international attendees, arrive **Delhi International Airport (DEL) (Indira Gandhi International Airport)**.



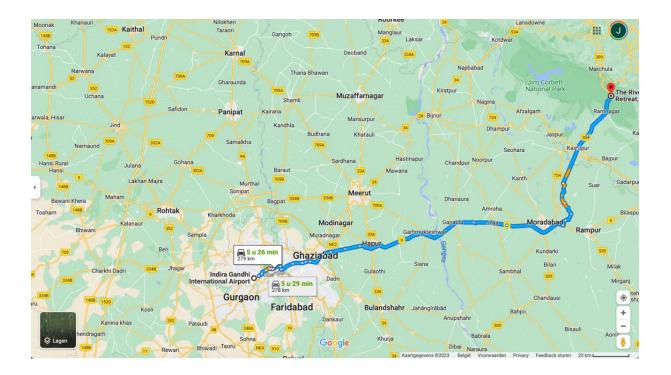
To travel from Delhi to the conference venue, we recommend you reserve our complimentary shuttles to reach the conference center in Riverview Retreat. After 30th of September, we can only offer free places on scheduled shuttles. The travel will take approximately 7 hours (may take up to 9 hours), taking average traffic volume into account when crossing Delhi city.

Please contact Jella Wauters for shuttle reservation: wauters@izw-berlin.de. email.

For accompanying persons, 25 dollar per person one-way will be charged. We will communicate later on the payment procedure.

Shuttles will be scheduled from Delhi Airport to the Jim Corbett National Park on 5th of November (for board members, and if necessary, early arriving participants) and 6th of November, and from the Jim Corbett National Park to Delhi Airport exclusively on 10th of November. Transportation alternative days will need to be booked independently by the attendee.

For this, you can contact the company ISWE is working with (not mandatory): VXL Tours and Travels – Mr. Ram Vohra – <u>vxltravels2@gmail.com</u> - <u>http://www.vxltravels.com/</u>. We strongly **discourage** the use of **own transportation** (e.g. rental cars, trains to the accommodation), because of concerns due to high wildlife zones in and around Corbett, and high inflow/outflow of traffic as Delhi is one of the main commercial hubs of the country.



OPTIONAL ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

Accompanying persons who are not tied to the conference program, can inform themselves about additional activities via following links:

https://www.leisurehotels.co.in/the-river-view-retreat-corbett-resort/experiences-activities/outdoorexperiences.html

https://www.leisurehotels.co.in/the-river-view-retreat-corbett-resort/experiences-activities/adventureactivities-in-corbett.html

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 COVID-19 SAFETY INFORMATION: While participating in the 8th ISWE Conference held in Jim Corbett National Park in India, consistent with CDC guidelines, participants are encouraged to practice hand hygiene, social distancing, and wear face coverings to reduce the risks of exposure to COVID-19. Because COVID-19 is extremely contagious, ISWE cannot guarantee that conference attendees will not become infected with COVID-19. Individuals should not attend the 8th ISWE Conference who currently or within the past (14) days have experienced any symptoms associated with COVID-19, have been diagnosed with COVID-19 and are not yet cleared as non-contagious by local public health authorities, or believe that they may have been exposed to a confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19. Registration is non-refundable in the event that participants are unable to travel/attend due to COVID-19 or other illness. All those registering for the 8th ISWE Conference are encouraged to take travel insurance, if available.

- 2. CDC recommended medications and vaccines for travel to India https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/traveler/none/india
- All attendees travelling internationally to India should apply for an eConference visa using instructions emailed to the address provided during registration. If you have registered for the conference and not received these instructions, please email Diana Koester (dck@clevelandmetroparks.com) and Jella Wauters (wauters@izw-berlin.de).
- 4. Average day temperatures will likely not go above 15 degrees Celsius.