**PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME**

**Tuesday, 19 April 2016**

**Fifty-eighth meeting of the UNWTO Commission for Africa (Venue: Hotel SOFITEL Ivoire)**

- **08:30-09:00** Registration of Participants
- **09:00 -09:30** Official Opening Ceremony
  
  Remarks by :
  
  - Mr. Mathias Aka N’Gouan, Mayor of the Commune of Cocody
  - Mr. Taleb Rifai, UNWTO Secretary-General
  - H.E. Mr. Roger Kacou, Minister of Tourism
  - H.E. Mr. Daniel Kablan Duncan, Prime Minister, Côte d’Ivoire

  Ceremony of Signature of the toolbox with Côte d’Ivoire and UNWTO

  Photo Session

- **09:30-10:00** Coffee Break
- **10:00-13:00** First working session of the UNWTO Commission for Africa (CAF)

  Signature of letter of intent for the hosting of UNWTO Regional Workshop on Statistical Capacity Building Programme, to be held in Oran, Algeria, on 24-26 October 2016

  Signature of Memorandum of Understanding with NEDPAD
13:00-14:30  Lunch Break

14:30-18:00  Second working session of the (CAF)

20:00  Welcome Gala Dinner offered by the host country (Venue: Hotel SOFITEL Ivoire)

Wednesday, 20 April 2016

08:30-10:45  Grand Opening of SITA (Salon international du tourisme d’Abidjan) (Heden Golf Hotel)
All transfers between Sofitel and Heden Golf hotels for SITA’s opening ceremony will be from Sofitel Hotel.

Sustainable Tourism Conference on Accelerating the Shift towards Sustainable Consumption and Production (SCP) Patterns (Venue: Hotel SOFITEL Ivoire)

11:30-12:00  Opening of the Conference
- Mr. Taleb Rifai, UNWTO Secretary-General
- H.E. Mr. Roger Kacou, Minister of Tourism, Côte d’Ivoire
- H.E. Mr. Lahcen Haddad, Minister of Tourism, Morocco

12:00-13:00  1st Session:

Tourism in the Sustainable Development Goals: Enhancing Inclusive Economic Growth and Accelerating SCP Patterns in the Tourism Sector: A Ministerial Panel
The 10YFP STP offers a major opportunity for achieving sustainability globally for the tourism sector over the next decade and to ensure that tourism contributes effectively to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), a truly transformative platform, which include three goals that apply to tourism: SDG 8 (good jobs and inclusive economic growth), SDG 12 (sustainable consumption and production) and SDG 14 (sustainable use of oceans and marine resources) and their respective targets and indicators. In this Panel Ministers will present and discuss, from the policy stand point, how their respective sectors are planning and preparing for contributing to the newly formulated Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Co-Moderators:
H.E. Mr. Edmund Bartlett, Minister of Tourism and Entertainment, Jamaica, and Chairman, Affiliate Members
Dr. Dirk Glaesser, Director, Sustainable Development of Tourism Programme, World Tourism Organization (UNWTO)
Panellists:

H.E. Mr. Amar Ghoul, Minister of National Planning, Tourism and Handicrafts, Algeria  
H.E. Mr. Lahcen Haddad, Minister of Tourism, Morocco  
H.E. Mr. Benjamin A. Roberts, Minister for Tourism and Culture, Islamic Republic of the Gambia  
Hon. Elizabeth Ofosu-Adjare, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Creative Arts, Ghana  
H.E. Dr. Mohamed AbuZaid, Minister of Tourism, Antiquities and Wildlife, Sudan  
Hon. Mr. Derek Hanekom, Minister of Tourism, South Africa  
Hon. Walter Mzembi, Minister of Tourism and Hospitality Industry, Zimbabwe

13:00-13:15  
Open debate

13:15-14:45  
Lunch Break

14:45-15:45  
2nd Session: Enhancing sustainable tourism investment and financing  
Achieving the sustainable development agenda will require a synergistic, implementation policy framework alongside committed financing and investments in technology, infrastructure and human capacity. This session and discussion will contribute to raise awareness on financing plans and tools to support the policies presented by the Ministers during the first session and on how these new investment instruments are adapted in support of the new sustainable development goals (SDGs).

Co-Moderators:  
Mr. Carlos Vogeler, Director-Executive Secretary of Member Relations, UNWTO  
Ms. Joy Kategekwa, Head, Regional Office for Africa (UNCTAD)

Panellists:  
Mr. Timothée Tabapssi Famndie, Permanent Representative of Cameroon to UNWTO, Embassy of Cameroon to Spain  
H.E. Mr. Roger Kacou, Minister of Tourism, Côte d'Ivoire  
Mr. Vincent Oparah, Programme Officer, New Partnership for Africa’s Development (NEPAD) Climate Change Fund  
Mr. Luc Grégoire, UNDP Country Director / UNDP. Côte d’Ivoire  
Mr. José Manuel Fröhling, Advisor, Private Sector Cooperation / Section Tourism, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH  
Mr. Soteri Gatara, Chief, Industrialization and Infrastructure Section, Regional Integration and Trade Division, Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)

15:45 -16:00  
Open debate
Thursday, 21 April 2016

Symposium on Accelerating the Shift towards Sustainable Consumption and Production Patterns (Venue: Hotel SOFITEL Ivoire)

09:00-10:00  3rd Session: Collaboration among stakeholders for the improvement of the tourism sector’s performance
The session will present and discuss the importance and promotion of collaborations and partnerships as the essential tenets for implementation success. It will highlight how determined leadership in place, strengthened cross-sector collaboration, including with the private sector and local communities, inter-linkages and synergies between tourism and other stakeholders, can facilitate the identification and support of complementary objectives, common interests, needs and opportunities for joint actions.

Co-Moderators:
H.E. Mr. Edmund Bartlett, Minister of Tourism and Entertainment, Jamaica, and Chairman, Affiliate Members UNWTO
Mr. Randy Durban, CEO, Global Sustainable Tourism Council (GSTC)

Panellists:
Mr. Gustave DIASSO, Director, Handicrafts and Tourism, West African Economic and Monetary Union (UEMOA)
Ms. Carmen Nibigira, Regional Coordinator, East Africa Tourism Platform
Mrs. Emmanuelle Normand, Director for Africa, Wild Chimpanzee Foundation
Mr. Adama TONDOSSAMA, Director General, OIPR
Ms. Ana Larrañaga, Director, FITUR, IFEMA

10:00-10:15 Open debate
10:15-10:30 Coffee Break

10:30-11:30 Collaboration among stakeholders for the improvement of the tourism sector’s performance (continuation)

Mr. Nfaly SANOH, Director of Free Movement of Persons and Tourism, Economic Community Of West African States (ECOWAS)
Mr. Simbarashe Mandinyenya, Director, Research, Planning and Development Regional Tourism Organization of Southern Africa (RETOSA)
Mrs. Nivashnee Naidoo, Executive Director, Fair Trade Tourism (FTT)
Mr. Francis Lauginie, Afrique Nature
Mr. Flan Frédéric, Ecotourisme Côte d’Ivoire (ECO-CI)

11:30- 11:45 Open debate
11:45- 12:00 Conclusions - Dr. Dirk Glaesser, Director, Sustainable Development of Tourism Programme, UNWTO
12:00- 12:15 Closing Remarks – Mr. Carlos Vogeler, Director, Executive Secretary of Member Relations, UNWTO
12:15- 13:30 Lunch Break
13:30 Social Programme (Optional)