19:15-19:25 **Closing Remarks** 

Mr. Carlos Vogeler, Executive Director, Member Relations, UNWTO

19:30-21:00 Networking Cocktail

(\* Finalists in alphabetical order of representing countries.)

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16th January 2017 - Palacio Neptuno, Madrid

# 13 UNWTO AWARDS

# -Agenda-

Time: Monday, 16 January 2017, 15:00 -21:00 Venue: Palacio Neptuno (Calle de Cervantes, 42, 28014 Madrid) Master of Ceremony: Ms. Anita Mendiratta. CACHET Consulting/Special Advisor to Secretary General of UNWTO

## 15:00-15:15

15.15-15:25

## Presentation of the UNWTO Conference on Building **Public-Private Partnerships for Sustainable Tourism and Signing** of the Agreement

This conference will be held on 27-29 November 2017 in Montego Bay. Jamaica and organized in the framework of the 2017 International Year of Sustainable Tourism for Development.

- Mr. Taleb Rifai, Secretary General, UNWTO
- Mr. Edmund Bartlett, Minister of Tourism and Entertainment, Jamaica
- Mr. Ibrahim Osta, Chief of Party, USAID Building Economic Sustainability Through Tourism Project, Chemonics International

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# **Opening Remarks** Mr. Taleb Rifai, Secretary General, UNWTO 15:25-15:45 UNWTO Ulysses Speech: Knowledge and Innovation in Tourism Introduced by Dr. David Airey, UNWTO Ulysses Laureate (2006) Speech by Dr. Geoffrey Wall, 13th UNWTO Ulysses Laureate 15:45-16:45 Presentations by the finalists of the UNWTO Awards for Excellence

Moderated by Dr. Donald Hawkins, UNWTO Ulysses Prize Laureate

and Innovation in Public Policies & Governance:

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- Social Progress Index in Tourist Destinations of Costa Rica Instituto Costarricense de Turismo - (Mr. Mauricio Ventura, Minister of Tourism and Mr. Roberto Artavia Loría, Vice-Chairman of Social
- Progress Imperative) Costa Rica Innovative Use of E-Tourism -Advisory Council of the Tourism Ministry - (Mr. Mohamed Yousef, Advisor to the Tourism Minister's Advisory Council and Head of the E-Tourism team) - Egypt
- Strategies for the Development of Sustainable Tourism in Guanajuato -Guanajuato Ministry of Tourism - (Mr. Fernando Olivera Rocha, Secretary of tourism of the State of Guanajuato) - Mexico

• Valencian Institute of Tourism Technologies (INVAT.TUR) - Valencia Region Tourism Board - (Ms. Raguel Huete-Nieves, General Director for Tourism) - Spain

#### Panel discussion

#### 16:45-17:25

## Presentations by the finalists of the UNWTO Awards for Excellence and Innovation in Enterprises:

Moderated by Mrs. Yolanda Perdomo, Director of the affiliate Members Programme, UNWTO

- Adding Color to Lives Carlson Rezidor Hotel Group (Ms. Inge Huiibrechts, Vice President Responsible Business) - Belgium
- Ecobnb, The Community of Sustainable Tourism Ecobnb (Mr. Simone Riccardi and Ms. Silvia Ombellini, Founders) - Italy

#### Panel discussion

#### 17:25-17:40

## Presentation by the winner of the UNWTO Ethics Award

Presentation by Mr. José Ángel Preciados, General Director, ILUNION Hotels

#### 17:40-18:25

## Presentations by the finalists of the UNWTO Awards for Excellence and Innovation in Non-Governmental Organization:

Moderated by Dr. François Bédard, Director-General, World Center of Excellence for Destinations (CED)

- A Sustainable Tourism Supply Chain Fundación Tropicalia (Ms. Sofia Perazzo, Executive Director ) - Dominican Republic
- Govardhan Ecovillage Eco Tourism as a catalyst for rural development - Govardhan Eco Village, - (Mr. Gauranga Das, Director) - India
- Culture Heritage: Tools for Sustainability of a World Heritage Site -Petra National Trust - (H.R.H. Princess Dana Firas, President of the Board) - Jordan

## Panel discussion

Fayos-Solá, President) - Spain

# 18:25-19:15

## Presentations by the finalists of the UNWTO Awards for Excellence and Innovation in Research and Technology:

Moderated by Mr. Antonio López de Avila, President, SEGITTUR

- Tourism 4.0 Turismo de Portugal, IP (Mr. Sergio Guerreiro, Director) - Portugal
- Carmacal Carbon Calculator for Travel Packages ANVR (Dutch Travel Trade Association) - (Mr. Gerben Hardeman, ANVR, Manager Sustainable Tourism ) - Netherlands Encyclopedia of Tourism - Ulysses Foundation - (Dr. Eduardo