DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE UNWTO COMMISSION FOR EUROPE AT ITS FIFTY-SIXTH MEETING
Livingstone (Zambia), 25 August 2013

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1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Opening remarks
3. Nomination of candidates to the various General Assembly offices:
   (a) two Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly
   (b) two Members of the Credentials Committee
4. Nomination of candidates to represent the region on the Executive Council and its subsidiary organs:
   (a) four candidates to the Executive Council
   (b) one candidate to the Committee for the Review of the applications for affiliate membership
5. Election of the Chairman and of two Vice-Chairmen of the Commission
6. The jury of the poster competition\(^1\)
7. Regional activities
8. Place and date of the fifty-seventh meeting of the Commission
9. Other matters

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\(^1\) In order to select the winners of the 6 regional prizes, a jury will be established comprising the Chairs of the 6 Regional Commissions of UNWTO, one representative each of the host countries (Zambia and Zimbabwe), and a prominent communications professional designated by the Organization. Each member of the jury shall vote for 3 posters from each region, except his or her own region in the case of representatives of the member countries.
2. DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMISSION

CEU/DEC/1(LVI)

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Agenda item 1
(document CEU/56/Prov. Agenda)

The Commission,
Adopts the proposed agenda of the fifty-sixth Meeting of the Commission for Europe.

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OPENING REMARKS

Agenda item 2

The Commission,
Having heard the Opening Remarks of the Secretary-General,
Congratulates its Chairman and the Regional Programme for Europe for the efforts deployed during the period 2011-2013 to identify and better respond to the needs and expectations of its Members and for the activities and projects carried out in this regard.

CEU/DEC/3(LVI)

NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES
TO THE VARIOUS GENERAL ASSEMBLY OFFICES

Agenda item 3
(document A/20/Com.Reg.)

The Commission,
1. Nominates Croatia and the Russian Federation to serve as Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly; and
2. Proposes Cyprus and Israel to the Assembly, as its representatives for the Credentials Committee.
NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES TO REPRESENT THE REGION ON THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL AND ITS SUBSIDIARY ORGANS

The Commission,

Having taken cognizance of the documents submitted by the Secretariat,

5. Proposes, following a vote by secret ballot, Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Germany and Serbia, as its candidates for the vacant seats on the Executive Council corresponding to the European region, for a four-year term, as from the twentieth session of the General Assembly (2013-2017).

6. Recommends, following a vote by secret ballot, Croatia for a floating seat in the Executive Council for a four-year term, as from the twentieth session of the General Assembly (2013-2017), on the understanding that the regional distribution of floating seats will be decided upon in the General Assembly.

7. Nominates Russian Federation as Member for the Committee for the review of applications for affiliate membership, for the period 2013-2015.

ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN AND OF TWO VICE-CHAIRMEN OF THE COMMISSION

The Commission,

Decides to elect Austria as its Chairman and Georgia and Portugal as its Vice-Chairmen, for a two-year term (2013-2015);

Thanks Greece for its commitment as Chairman of the Commission and France and Georgia for having performed the duties of Vice-Chairmen during the period 2011-2013.

THE JURY OF THE POSTER COMPETITION

The Commission,

Acknowledges the rules establishing the jury of the poster competition.
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REGIONAL ACTIVITIES

Agenda item 7

The Commission,

Having regard to the report by the Regional Director for Europe on the key themes and activities carried out since the last Meeting of the Commission for Europe held in Çesme (Izmir), Turkey, on 25 March 2013,

1. Thanks her for the update on the regional activities; and expresses its satisfaction with these activities that are of particular importance for the region;

2. Thanks the Secretariat on the works carried out between 2011 and 2013, and calls for continued efforts and coordinated work for the upcoming programme period.

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PLACE AND DATE
OF THE FIFTY-SEVENTH MEETING OF THE COMMISSION

Agenda item 8

The Commission,

Recalling its decision CEU/DEC/14 (LV) taken at its 55th Meeting (Çesme (Izmir), Turkey, 27 March 2013),

1. Notes that the Government of Azerbaijan has submitted its candidature with an official letter dated 18 April 2013, to host the 57th Meeting of the Commission for Europe together with a seminar, which will be held in conjunction with the said meeting of the Commission;

2. Decides that the 57th Meeting of the Commission for Europe will be held in Baku (Azerbaijan), on the dates to be agreed upon with the Government of the country.

3. Congratulates Azerbaijan for the election to host the 57th Meeting of the Commission for Europe, in 2014,

4. Entrusts the Secretariat with finalising with the Government of Azerbaijan the necessary arrangements for holding the above-mentioned meetings.

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OTHER MATTERS

Agenda item 9

The Commission,

Thanks Uzbekistan for its interest in submitting its candidacy for hosting the 99th session of the Executive Council.
3. PARTICIPANTS IN THE FIFTY-SIXTH MEETING

1. The following Member States belonging to the European region participated in the meeting:

I. EUROPEAN FULL MEMBERS / MEMBRES EFFECTIFS EUROPÉENS

ANDORRA/ANDORRE
AUSTRIA/AUTRICHE
ARMENIA/ARMENIE
AZERBAIJAN/azerbaijan
BELARUS/ BELARUS
BULGARIA/BULGARIE
CROATIA/ CROATIE
CYPRUS/CHYPRE
CZECH REPUBLIC/ REPUBLIQUE TCHÈQUE
GEORGIA/ GEORGIE
GERMANY/ ALLEMAGNE
GREECE/ GRÈCE
HUNGARY/ HONGRIE
ISRAEL/ISRAEL
ITALY/ ITALIE
KAZAKHSTAN/ KAZAKHSTAN
LITHUANIA/ LITUANIE
MONACO/ MONACO
POLAND/ POLOGNE
PORTUGAL/PORTUGAL
ROMANIA/ ROUMANIE
RUSSIAN FEDERATION / FEDERATION DE RUSSIE
SAN MARINO/SAINTE-MARIN
II. ASSOCIATE MEMBERS/ MEMBRES ASSOCIÉS

FLEMISH COMMUNITY OF BELGIUM/ COMMUNAUTÉ FLAMANDE DE BELGIQUE

III. AFFILIATE MEMBERS/ MEMBRES AFFILIÉS

AZERBAIJAN TOURISM INSTITUTE
AZTA-AZERBAIJAN TOURISM ASSOCIATION
FEDERAL AGENCY FOR TOURISM OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION
4. REPRESENTATION OF THE COMMISSION IN THE VARIOUS ORGANS

I. GENERAL ASSEMBLY (2013)

VICE-PRESIDENTS

CROATIA
RUSSIAN FEDERATION

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

CYPRUS
ISRAEL

II. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

2011-2015
FRANCE
ITALY
RUSSIAN FEDERATION
UZBEKISTAN

2013-2017
AZERBAIJAN
BULGARIA
CROATIA
GERMANY
SERBIA

III. COMMITTEE ON TOURISM AND SUSTAINABILITY (2011-2015)

MEMBERS

SERBIA
ISRAEL


MEMBERS

ISRAEL

ALTERNATE MEMBER

GEORGIA

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

FRANCE
SPAIN

V. COMMITTEE ON TOURISM AND COMPETITIVENESS (2011-2015)

MEMBERS

BELARUS
CROATIA

VI. COMMITTEE FOR THE REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS FOR AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP (2013-2015)

MEMBER

RUSSIAN FEDERATION
VII. **PROGRAMME AND BUDGET COMMITTEE**

**MEMBERS**
- CROATIA (2015)
- ITALY (2015)

VIII. **COMMISSION FOR EUROPE (2013-2015)**

**CHAIRMAN**
- AUSTRIA

**VICE-CHAIRMAN**
- PORTUGAL

**VICE-CHAIRMAN**
- GEORGIA

IX. **JURY OF THE POSTER COMPETITION**

**CHAIRMAN OF THE CEU**
- GREECE