

UN Tourism Commission for Europe71st meeting

Baku, Azerbaijan – 5 June 2025

Agenda Item 9:
**Date and place of the next meeting of the UN Tourism
Commission for Europe**

1. Note on the election of the host countries of the next Meetings of the Regional Commissions and other UN Tourism events

1. In accordance with [resolution 662\(XXI\)](#), the General Assembly explicitly requests that Member States wishing to host a UN Tourism meeting provide the conditions set forth in the model agreement annexed to the resolution. This template agreement, developed by the Secretariat, serves as the legal framework for host country agreements and is used by the vast majority of Member States. It is based primarily on Article 32 of the [Statutes](#), the [Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies](#) and its [Annex XVIII](#) (applicable to UN Tourism), relevant General Assembly resolutions, and aligns with the overall United Nations policy on the matter.
2. Pursuant to [resolution 750\(XXIV\)](#) concerning the procedure for the selection of the venue for the General Assembly, all Member States submitting a candidature to host the next session of the Regional Commission must undertake, in writing and prior to the adoption of the decision on the venue, to comply with the legal framework governing the organization of UN Tourism meetings away from Headquarters and to provide the conditions outlined in the model agreement.

2. Candidatures

3. The Secretariat received a written notification from the Malta Tourism Authority, dated 10 January 2025, expressing Malta's interest in hosting the meeting of the Commission for Europe in 2026. The Secretariat subsequently informed all Members of the Commission for Europe of this candidature through verbal note NV/RDEU/43/2025.
4. In accordance with the applicable procedures, the Secretariat verified Malta's formal undertaking to comply with the legal framework governing the organization of UN Tourism meetings away from Headquarters, including the commitment to provide the conditions set out in the model host country agreement, prior to the adoption of a decision by the Commission for Europe regarding the venue of its 2026 session. Malta confirmed its undertaking in writing on 13 May 2025.

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The Commission for Europe,

- Having received the candidature of Malta, presented by Mr. Leslie Vella, Chief Officer Strategic Development and Deputy CEO of the Malta Tourism Authority,
 - Having received no alternative candidatures,
1. Shows appreciation to the Government of Malta for presenting the candidature to host the meeting of the Commission for Europe in 2026;
 2. Accepts the invitation of XXX for its 72nd meeting in 2026;
 3. Entrusts the Secretariat with making the necessary arrangements and offering support for the holding of the 72nd meeting in 2026.
 4. Requests the host government and the Secretariat to confirm the dates of the 72nd meeting before the end of 2025.

¹ This is a draft of the conclusions and recommendations for the corresponding agenda item. For the final text adopted by the Commission, please refer to the Conclusions and recommendations document issued at the end of the session.