

UN Tourism Commission for Africa

68th Meeting
Abuja, Nigeria

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Agenda item 8:**Place and date of the 69th Meeting of the UN Tourism Commission for Africa in 2026****A. Candidatures to host the 69th Meeting of the UN Tourism Commission for Africa**

1. **The Democratic Republic of the Congo** has presented to UN Tourism, an official letter Ref.: 082/CAB/MIN/Tourisme/MTM/SECAB/2024 addressed to the Secretariat on 25 July 2024, its candidature to host the 69th Meeting of the UN Tourism Commission for Africa in the Democratic Republic of the Congo in 2026.
2. **The Republic of Angola** has presented to UN Tourism, an official letter Ref.:125/00.44/GAB.MINTUR/2025 addressed to the Secretariat on 30 January 2025, its candidature to host the 69th Meeting of the UN Tourism Commission for Africa in the Republic of Angola in 2026.
3. **The Republic of Seychelles** has presented to UN Tourism, an official letter Ref.: MFA/420/1 addressed to the Secretariat on 03 June 2025, its candidature to host the 69th Meeting of the UN Tourism Commission for Africa in the Republic Seychelles in 2026.

B. Requirements for hosting the meeting of the UN Tourism Commission for Africa

3. By resolution 662(XXI), the General Assembly explicitly requests Member States wishing to host a UN Tourism meeting to provide the conditions established in the template agreement annexed thereto. This model agreement developed by the Secretariat, on the basis of which host country agreements for the holding of UN Tourism meetings are being concluded with the vast majority of Member States, sets out the legal framework governing the holding of UN Tourism meetings away from Headquarters, which is primarily determined by Article 32 of the Statutes, the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies and its Annex XVIII (related to UN Tourism), as well as relevant resolutions by the General Assembly, and is consistent with the policy of the holding United Nations on the matter.
4. In line with resolution 750(XXIV) on the procedure for the election of venue for the General Assembly, all Member States submitting their candidature to host the next session of the Regional Commission shall undertake in writing, before the Regional Commission adopts its decision on the venue of its next session, to observe the legal framework for the holding of UN Tourism meetings away from Headquarters and to provide the provisions established in the model agreement.

5. Should the host country not be in a position, at the time of concluding the agreement, to provide the necessary conditions for the holding of a UN Tourism meeting away from Headquarters, the Secretary-General will then inform the Chair of the Regional Commission so that he or she adopts any measure as necessary to ensure the proper holding of the session, including that it be held at the Headquarters of the Organization in accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the General Assembly.