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Work Programme for the Tourism Task Force 2nd half 2022

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1. Tourism Task Force (TTF) Meetings (during TRAN committee slots - all dates to be confirmed)

-) **July 2022:** Exchange of views on the Framework of Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) in travel and tourism sector with an aim to enlarging the place of tourism in this setting.

Aim: to discuss how corporate activity in the travel and tourism industry contributes to climate change, pollution, biodiversity, and the depletion of the world's natural resources. Companies across all tourism sectors face increasing pressure to adopt more socially sustainable practice

-) **September 2022:** Exchange of views on advancing on-water recreation and tourism

Aim: to analyse new trends in on-water recreation area with a view to ensure European competitiveness in nautical tourism / boating industry, to address the current sustainability and infrastructure needs (e.g., lack of marinas in growing market, greening, alternative fuel infrastructure), as well as the needs for qualifications and licenses in this tourism segment

-) **October 2022:** Exchange of views on Block chain and Crypto currency in Tourism

Aim: to discuss the impact of Block chain and Crypto in Tourism

-) **November/December 2022 (TBC)** Exchange of views with Commissioner Breton on the EU Agenda for Tourism (in case the document gets adopted)

Aim: possibly to present the adopted EU Tourism Agenda document

Extraordinary TTF meetings (only TTF Members) or Steering Group meetings:

- Updating on progress towards the co-implementation of the Transition pathway for Tourism: meeting with the representatives of DG GROW (September)
- Discussion with the Commission representatives/stakeholders on the upcoming legislative proposal on short-term accommodation rental services (timing - tbc)

2. Legislative and Non-Legislative Work:

1) Own-initiative Reports: *a new own-initiative report could be proposed following the adoption of the EU Agenda for Tourism*

2) TRAN remains involved in work with other committees on relevant tourism aspects, in particular by giving its opinion on any upcoming legislative proposals or own-initiative reports to be drawn up by the lead committees.

) Upcoming legislative proposal on the short-term accommodation rental services (Commission's estimates the publishing of their proposal in Q3 2022)

3) Members attendance at the high-level conferences/events on tourism matters on *ad hoc* basis

3. Public Hearings and Studies:

Proposals for the public hearings and studies have to be submitted by the political groups within the framework of the call for studies and public hearings. New proposals can be submitted for the 1st half 2023.

4. Cooperation with Other EU Institutions and Stakeholders

) Establishing and maintaining contacts with the **Czech Presidency** by the TRAN Chairwoman and the TTF Steering Group

) Upholding close cooperation with the **Commission** (Commissioner Breton and DG GROW) at the political and operational levels. (TTF Steering Group and TRAN Secretariat)

) Maintaining close cooperation, setting up regular meetings and considering joint initiatives with key **tourism stakeholders** (including entities, such as the UNWTO, ETC, WTTC, OECD and PATA. (TTF Steering Group and TRAN Secretariat).

5. Other Tourism-Related Activities:

1) Possible activities in the framework of European Year of Youth 2022

2) TTF keeps the right to propose and take appropriate initiatives, depending on circumstances and situation (letters, Motion for Resolution etc.)