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DRAFT Work Programme for the Tourism Task Force 1st half 2023

1. Tourism Task Force (TTF) Meetings (during TRAN committee slots)

- **End of January or early March 2023 (TBC):** Exchange of views with Commissioner Breton (as part of the structured dialogue) on the implementation of the EU Tourism Agenda 2030 and, depending on the date confirmed (January or March), update on new developments for the tourism sector;
- **Spring 2023 (tbc):** Exchange of views on the European Commission's initiative on short-term rentals (STRs) with stakeholders;
- **June 2023:** TTF meeting on the 'A competitive and sustainable Tourism addressing the global energy crisis and emissions' reduction targets';

2. Extraordinary TTF meetings (only TTF Members) or Steering Group meetings

Only if specifically needed / requested.

3. Legislative and Non-Legislative Work:

- 1) Own-initiative Reports: an own-initiative report on tourism matters could be considered following the adoption of the EU Agenda for Tourism (to be confirmed depending on slots available and in agreement with TRAN Coordinators).
- 2) TRAN secretariat keeps an eye on possible legislative and non-legislative proposals from the Commission and makes sure TRAN is involved in work with other committees on relevant tourism aspects. Ongoing and upcoming files:
 - Opinion to REGI INI on the Assessment of the new communication of the European Commission on Outermost Regions;
 - Opinion to short-term rentals (IMCO in the lead; attributed by TRAN Coordinators on 29 November 2022);
 - Upcoming legislative proposal on a revision of the Package Travel Directive (Commission's estimates the publishing of their proposal in Q4 2022);
 - Upcoming legislative proposal on the Revision of the passenger rights regulatory framework (Commission's estimates the publishing of their proposal in Q2 2023).

3. Public Hearings and Studies:

- There are no specific tourism related issues among the selected proposals for public hearings for the first half of 2023 (agreed by TRAN Coordinators on 3 October 2022). New proposals could be submitted for the 2nd half of 2023 (through Coordinators).
- TRAN Coordinators agreed on a study on the impact of new climate policies on the outermost regions in the transport and tourism sectors, and mobility poverty in outermost regions.

4. Cooperation with Other EU Institutions and Stakeholders

- Establishing and maintaining contacts with the **Swedish Presidency** by TRAN Chairwoman and the TTF Steering Group:
 - 31 January 2023: EoV in TRAN committee meeting with the relevant Minister on tourism matters;
 - Possible participation in the informal Tourism Council (tbc);
 - Possible meeting of the representative from the Swedish Presidency and the TTF Steering Group Members on the topical issues;
- Upholding close cooperation with the **Commission** (Commissioner Breton in the context of the structured dialogue and DG GROW) at the political and operational levels (TTF Steering Group and TRAN Secretariat);
- Maintaining close cooperation, setting up meetings and considering joint initiatives with key **tourism stakeholders** (including entities, such as the UNWTO, ETC, WTTC, OECD and PATA, for example a dialogue with global partners on the theme “Tourism outlook to the World”);
- Upholding close cooperation with the Committee of Regions (CoR). The Commission for Natural Resources (NAT) has a meeting on 31st January 2023, where the proposal on STRs is on the agenda; TTF Members could be invited to share the EP position.

5. Other Tourism-Related Activities:

- 1) Budgetary matters: Pilot Projects and Preparatory Actions - coordinated preparation and follow-up of PPs and PAs in tourism area;
- 2) TRAN missions usually cover subjects related to tourism. Missions and ad-hoc delegations to the following countries are planned during the 1st half of 2023:
 - Week 8: Ad hoc delegation to Saudi Arabia
 - Week 14: Ad-hoc delegation to Indonesia
 - Week 20: Mission to Italy (Genova/Naples)
 - Week 25: Mission to Spain (Aragón, Bilbao).
- 3) Members attendance at the high-level conferences/events on tourism matters on *ad hoc* basis.

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