# High-Level Thematic Event on Tourism

Tuesday, 16 April 2024, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
General Assembly Hall, UN Headquarters, New York

## Programme

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| 10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. | **Opening Segment**<br><br>Remarks by:<br>• H.E. Mr. Dennis Francis, President of the General Assembly for the 78th Session<br>• Mr. Zurab Pololikashvili, Secretary General of UN Tourism<br>• H.E. Ahmed Al-Khateeb, Chair of the Executive Council of the UN Tourism and Minister of Tourism for the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia |
| 10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. | **Fireside Chat – Future of Tourism**<br><br>Moderator: Mr. Richard Quest, CNN International Anchor, UN Tourism Ambassador<br>• Ms. Virginia Messina – Senior Vice President, Advocacy and Comms, World Tourism and Travel Council<br>• Mr. Jerry Inzerillo, Group CEO, Diriyah Gate Development Authority<br>• Ms. Dona Regis-Prosper, Secretary General of the Caribbean Tourism Organization<br>• Prof. Mr. Robertico Croes, Professor Tourism Economics and Management, Rosen College of Hospitality Management<br>• Mr. Christian de Boer, Managing Director of Jaya House Hotels<br><br>*Designation of Mr. Jerry Inzerillo, Group CEO, Diriyah Gate Development Authority, as the UN Tourism Ambassador for Sustainable Tourism by the Secretary-General of UN Tourism.* |
| 11:15 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. | **Plenary**<br>Statements from Member States and Observers |
| 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. | **Break** |

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| 3:00 p.m. - 4:20 p.m. | **Ministerial Roundtable 1**<br>Sustainable Tourism - The Statistical Framework for Measuring the Sustainability of Tourism<br><br>Moderator: Ms. Zoritsa Urosevic, Executive Director, UN Tourism<br><br>Panelists:<br>• H.E. Ms. Patricia de Lille, Minister of Tourism of the **Republic of South Africa**<br>• H.E. Mr. Harris Whitbeck, Minister of Tourism of the **Republic of Guatemala**<br>• H.E. Mr. Ibrahim Faisal, Minister of Tourism of the **Republic of Maldives**<br><br>Interactive Dialogue<br><br>*Interventions from Member States and Observers, as well as, time permitting, UN System and other stakeholders.* |
| 4:20 p.m. – 5:40 p.m. | **Ministerial Roundtable 2**<br>Resilient Tourism – Fostering resilience tourism to facilitate and ensure global sustainability<br><br>Moderator: Ms. Aradhana Khowala, CEO & Founder, Aptamind Partners, UK<br><br>Panelists:<br>• H.E. Mr. Edmund Bartlett, Minister of Tourism of **Jamaica**<br>• H.E. Mr. Sandiaga Salahuddin Uno, Minister of Tourism and Creative Economy of the **Republic of Indonesia**<br>• H.E. Mr. Jordi Torres Falco, Minister of Tourism of the **Principality of Andorra**<br><br>Interactive Dialogue<br><br>*Interventions from Member States and Observers, as well as, time permitting, UN System and other stakeholders.* |
| 5:40 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. | **Closing Segment**<br><br>Remarks by:<br>• Mr. Eric Adams, Mayor of New York City<br>• Mr. Zurab Pololikashvili, Secretary General of UN Tourism<br>• H.E. Mr. Dennis Francis, President of the General Assembly. |

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**High-Level Meeting on Sustainable Transport**

Wednesday, 17 April 2024, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
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| 10:00 a.m. – 10:20 a.m. | **Opening Segment**<br><br>Remarks by:<br>• H.E. Mr. Dennis Francis, President of the General Assembly<br>• Mr. Li Junhua, Under Secretary-General of Economic and Social Affairs<br>• Mr. Batyr Annayev, Minister and Chairman of the Turkmendenizderyollary Agency under the Cabinet of Ministers of Turkmenistan |
| 10:20 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. | **Plenary Segment**<br>*Statements by Member States and Observers* |
| 11:30 a.m. – 12:55 p.m. | **Multistakeholder Panel - Enhancing intermodal transport connectivity and developing socially inclusive and environmentally friendly transportation.**<br><br>Moderator: Ms. Thilmeeza Hussain, Director of Regional Commissions New York Office<br><br>Panelists:<br>• Ms. Renée Amilcar, President of International Association of Public Transport<br>• Mr. Umberto de Pretto, Secretary General of International Road Transport Union<br>• Mr. Igor Runov, Executive Secretary of International Centre of Transport Diplomacy<br>• Ms. Maruxa Cardama, Secretary General of Partnership on Sustainable, Low Carbon Transport<br><br>Interactive Dialogue<br><br>*Interventions from Member States and Observers, as well as, time permitting, UN System and other stakeholders.* |

| 12:55 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. | **Closing Segment**<br><br>Remarks by:<br>• H.E. Mr. Dennis Francis, President of the General Assembly |
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