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SCHEDULE

"Towards the Reconstruction and Rebuilding of Tourism Post COVID-19"

(Adopted during the first plenary session)

8:00 - 9:00 Registration of participants

9:00 - 9:30 INAUGURAL SESSION

Welcoming remarks:

* Sofía Montiel de Afara, Minister, National Secretariat of Tourism of Paraguay
* Luis Almagro,Secretary General, Organization of American States (OAS)

9:30 - 9:45 TOURISM VIDEO OF PARAGUAY

9:45: - 9:50 FIRST PLENARY SESSION:

Election of the Chair

Formalization of agreements reached during the Preparatory Meeting

9:50 - 11:15 SECOND PLENARY SESSION: Reports of the Inter-American Committee on Tourism (CITUR) and the OAS General Secretariat

* Report of the Inter-American Committee on Tourism (CITUR) – (Mexico, Chair of CITUR)
* Report of the OAS General Secretariat – Executive Secretariat for Integral Development, OAS
* Report of the Chair of the Working Group to Develop an Agenda on Climate Change and Sustainable Development for Tourism in the Americas (Costa Rica/Colombia)
* Report of the Working Group on Standardization of Biosanitary Travel and Tourism Protocols in the Americas (Chile)
* Report of the Working Group to Develop a 2050 Tourism Agenda for the Americas (Mexico)
* Report of the Working Group to Develop aRecovery Action Plan for the Cruise and Airline Industries in the Post-Pandemic Stage (Jamaica)

Ministerial Dialogue

11:15 – 12:45 THIRD PLENARY SESSION: Strategies to mitigate the negative effects of Covid-19 on Tourism: Incentives and support for tourism-related companies

* Strategies to mitigate the negative effects of Covid-19 on Tourism, Honorable Edmund Bartlett, Minister of Tourism of Jamaica
* Experience from Ecuador, Niels Olsen, Minister of Tourism, Ecuador
* Julia Simpson, CEO, World Travel and Tourism Council (WTTC)
* Experience from Chile, Beatriz Román Alzérreca, Deputy Director for Development, National Tourism Service (SERNATUR), Chile

Ministerial Dialogue

12:45 – 14:00 LUNCH

14:00 - 14:15 FOURTH PLENARY SESSION: Presentation of the Indigenous Tourism Collaborative of the Americas

* Remarks by Kathryn Isom-Clause, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs -- Policy and Economic Development, U.S. Department of the Interior
* Short Video on the “Indigenous Tourism Collaborative of the Americas”
* Paraguay -Video on Community-based Tourism in Indigenous Communities

14:15 - 15:30 FIFTH PLENARY SESSION: Strategies to mitigate the negative effects of Covid-19 on Tourism: Protocols and technological tools

* Alejandro Varela, Deputy Regional Director for the Americas, United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO)
* Oracio Marquez, Regional Director,Member & External Relations Latin America & Caribbean- The Americas, International Air Transport Association (IATA)
* Adela Moreda, Tourism Lead Specialist, Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)
* Iván Eskildsen Alfaro, Minister of Tourism, Panama

Ministerial Dialogue

15:30 –15:45 SIXTH PLENARY SESSION: Declaration of Paraguay: Towards the Reconstruction and Rebuilding of Tourism Post COVID-19

* Consideration of the Draft Declaration of Paraguay: Towards the Reconstruction and Rebuilding of Tourism Post COVID-19

Ministerial Dialogue

15:45-16:45 SEVENTH PLENARY SESSION: Tourism Post Covid-19

* Climate Change and Sustainable Tourism, Alberto López Chaves, Executive Director, Costa Rican Tourism Board (ICT), Costa Rica
* Improving Connectivity, Rafael Echevarne, ACI-LAC Airports Council International, Latin America & Caribbean
* Tourism for Inclusive Growth, Sergio Rodríguez, President, Americas Section, International Social Tourism Organization (ISTO)

Ministerial Dialogue

16:45 - 17:00 EIGHTH PLENARY SESSION: Venue of the XXVI Inter-American Congress

of Ministers and High-Level Authorities of Tourism

17:00 – 17:15 CLOSING SESSION

* Remarks from Kim Osborne, Executive Secretary for Integral Development, OAS
* Remarks by Sofía Montiel de Afara, Minister, National Secretariat of Tourism of Paraguay

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