N O T E   V E R B A L E

The Secretariat of the World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) presents its compliments to the Member States of the UNWTO Regional Commission for the Middle East (CME) and has the honour to inform them that, in agreement with the Commission Chair, subject to confirmation by the Regional Commission itself at its 49th meeting on 7–9 June 2023 in the Dead Sea, the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, and as was the case in previous occasions in 2019 and 2021, there will be no meeting of the Regional Commission in the framework of the 25th session of the UNWTO General Assembly in 2023.

The purpose of this initiative, as in previous occasions, is to reduce the overloaded programme of the 25th session of the General Assembly with a view to optimizing resources, improving the productivity of the session and increasing substantial discussions on various priority subjects and needs of Members in the framework of the General Assembly.

Consequently, the structure of the agenda of the 49th CME will be extensive since nominations and elections to statutory organs and their subsidiary bodies will take place in the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, particularly the nominations of the candidates to represent the region on the Executive Council (2023-2027) and at the 25th session of the General Assembly (Vice-President of the General Assembly, Credentials Committee).

The Regional Commission is also called upon to take up the following matters: the election of the Chair and two Vice-Chairs of the Regional Commission (2023-2025) and the nomination of candidates to the different subsidiary bodies (Committees) of the Executive Council.

A detailed information document on the nominations and elections to statutory organs and their subsidiary bodies is enclosed.

The Secretariat of the World Tourism Organization avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Member States the assurances of its highest consideration.

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