

PROGRAMME OF THE 3rd MEETING OF THE COMCEC TOURISM WORKING GROUP (March 4th, 2014, Ankara, Crown Plaza Hotel)

"Enabling Tourism Investment Climate in the COMCEC Region"

08.30-09.00	Registration
09.00-09.15	Opening Remarks
09.15-10.00	The COMCEC Tourism Outlook

- Presentation: Ms. Aslı TAŞMAZ DADAKOĞLU

Expert

COMCEC Coordination Office

10.00-10.45 Global Trends in Tourism Investments: Benefits and Risks

- Presentation: Mr. Scott WAYNE
President
SW Associates

Question(s) for discussion

• How does your country perceive the recent global trends regarding tourism investments?

10.45-11.00 Coffee Break

11.00-12.45 Enabling Tourism Investment Climate in the COMCEC Region: Challenges and Prospects

Presentation: Mr. Manuel Lisandro Knight
Project Manager
SW Associates

Question(s) for Discussion:

- How do you evaluate the role of government agencies for attracting tourism investments? What is the situation in your country?
- What are the main challenges faced by your country in attracting tourism investments?
- How can these challenges be overcome and how can the cooperation among the Member States be constituted in order to handle these issues?

12.45-14.00 **Lunch**

14.00-16.00 Success Stories of the Member States

16.00-16.15 Coffee Break

16.15-16.40 International Institutions' Perspective on Tourism Investment Climate

- Presentation: Ms. Hermione Nevill

Operations Officer

International Finance Corporation (IFC), World Bank
Group

16.40- 17.30 **Private Sector Perspective on Tourism Investment Climate**

- Presentation: Ms. Shola Bayramova

Deputy Director

Heritage Travel Tour Company, Azerbaijan

- Presentation: Mr. Emrullah Akçakaya
General Manager, Swissotel Ankara
Touristic Hotels & Investors Association (TUROB)

- Presentation: Mr. Barış Haşemoğlu

Executive Committee Member

Turkish Tourism Investors Association (TYD)

Question(s) for Discussion:

• Does your country have programs/projects for encouraging private sector investments in the field of tourism? What are your country experiences regarding these programmes/projects?

17.30-17.50 The Way Forward: Utilizing the New COMCEC Project Cycle Management (PCM)

- Presentation: Mr. Mustafa Tekin
Director
COMCEC Coordination Office

17.50-18.00 Closing Remarks