



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
13TH October, 2011. Warwick Le Lagon Resort, Port Vila. Vanuatu.

Meeting Resolutions

The following resolutions were adopted by the Directors at this meeting:

1. SPTO WORK PROGRAMME 2012

The Board recommends to the Council of Ministers to endorse the Board's approval of the 2012 amended Work Programme and Budget.

2. SME DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

The Board recommends to the Council of Ministers to endorse the SME Development Project update and the Board's directive to Management to replicate it to other member countries taking into consideration their different needs.

3. SPTO/SPC PARTNERSHIP AND MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

The Board recommends to the Council of Ministers to note the Board's endorsement of the strategic partnership between SPTO and SPC and to note the MOU to be signed between the two regional organizations that covers issues relating to sustainable tourism development such as, cruise, renewable energy and climate change adaptation, aviation issues and capacity building.

4. FORUM LEADERS MEETING, SEPTEMBER 6-9, 2011

The Board recommends to the Council of Ministers to note the advocacy efforts by Management and member countries in pushing for tourism sector development through the Forum Leaders meeting.

The Council of Ministers is further requested to note a directive by the Board to urge Management to pursue further dialogue on tourism development with its development partners including Australia and New Zealand and relevant CROP agencies.

5. EDF 10 WORK PROGRAMME 2012-2014

The Council of Ministers is requested to note the progress made on the processing of SPTO' application for the release of EDF10 Grant Funding.

6. CLIMATE CHANGE AND SUSTAINABLE TOURISM

The Council of Ministers is requested to note Management initiative in concluding the partnership with GIZ on Climate Change and Sustainable Tourism.

This includes facilitating work cooperation with relevant CROP agencies to avoid duplication of initiatives by other CROP agencies.

7. SPTO'S STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Council of Ministers is requested to note the Board's endorsement of the draft strategic plan 2012-2016 and to align this with plans of member countries, noting the inclusion of the review of the SPTO office location.

8. EU SYSTEM FOR PROCESSING FUNDING REQUESTS

The Council of Ministers is requested to endorse the recommendation by the Board that the Council of Ministers support the need for the European Union and related donor agencies to simplify the documentation and processing procedures of their funding support.