

CHAPTER TWENTY

CO-OPERATION IN TOURISM AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT

ARTICLE 115

Tourism

1. In order to promote the achievement of the objectives of the Community as set out in Article 5 of this Treaty, the Partner States undertake to develop a collective and co-ordinated approach to the promotion and marketing of quality tourism into and within the Community. To this end, the Partner States shall co-ordinate their policies in the tourism industry and undertake to establish a framework of co-operation in the sector that will ensure equitable distribution of benefits.
2. The Partner States shall establish a common code of conduct for private and public tour and travel operators, standardise hotel classifications and harmonise the professional standards of agents in the tourism and travel industry within the Community.
3. The Partner States undertake to develop a regional strategy for tourism promotion whereby individual efforts are reinforced by regional action.

ARTICLE 116

Wildlife Management

The Partner States undertake to develop a collective and co-ordinated policy for the conservation and sustainable utilisation of wildlife and other tourist sites in the Community. In particular, the Partner States shall:

- (a) harmonise their policies for the conservation of wildlife, within and outside protected areas;
- (b) exchange information and adopt common policies on wildlife management and development;
- (c) co-ordinate efforts in controlling and monitoring encroachment and poaching activities;

- (d) encourage the joint use of training and research facilities and develop common management plans for trans-border protected areas; and
- (e) take measures to ratify or accede to, and, implement relevant international conventions.