



**PROPOSED AGENDA FOR THE 18TH COMMONWEALTH SPEAKERS
AND PRESIDING OFFICERS' CONFERENCE (CSPOC),
YAOUNDE – CAMEROON FROM 13TH – 22ND July, 2023**

1. Opening Remarks by the Chairperson and Host Speaker, Rt. Hon. Cavaye Yeguie Djibril, MP., Speaker of the National Assembly of Cameroon;
2. Apologies;
3. Consideration and Adoption of the Agenda;
4. Consideration and Adoption of the Minutes of the 17th Conference held in Kigali, Rwanda on 25th November, 2021;
5. Matters Arising from the Minutes;
6. Hosting of future conferences and subsequent committee meetings;
7. Nomination and election of Office Bearers;
 - 7.1 Chairperson;
 - 7.2 Vice Chairperson; and
 - 7.3 Members of the Standing Committee.
8. Closing Remarks by the Chairperson.

COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION

AFRICA REGION



**PROPOSED PROGRAMME FOR THE 18TH CONFERENCE OF THE SPEAKERS
AND PRESIDING OFFICERS OF THE COMMONWEALTH (AFRICA REGION)
YAOUNDE – CAMEROON IN JULY, 2023**

CONFERENCE THEME: AFRICAN PARLIAMENTS AND THE AGENDA 2063

SN	DAY/DATE	ACTIVITY
1.	Thursday 13 th July, 2023	Arrival of the Regional Secretariat and Registration
2.	Friday 14 th July, 2023	Briefing Session with the preparatory team
3.	Saturday 15 th July, 2023	Logistical preparations and documentation
DAY 1		
4.	Sunday 16 th July, 2023	Arrival of Standing Committee Members
DAY 2		
5.	Monday 17 th July, 2023	i) 10:00: Standing Committee Meeting (Venue TBC) ii) Arrival of Delegates, Observers, spouses and accompanying officials

SN	DAY/DATE	ACTIVITY
DAY 3		
7.	Tuesday 18 th July, 2023	i) 09:00 - 10:30: Official Opening ceremony (Separate Programme) ii) 10:30 -12:30: General meeting iii) 13:00: Lunch iv) 19:00: Welcome Dinner TBC
DAY 4		
8.	Wednesday 19 th July, 2023	i) Plenary session 1 10:00 – 12:00: Topic one: <i>Securing public trust: The Role of Parliaments in strengthening openness, transparency and accountability.</i> Mover: Botswana Seconder: South Africa Session Chairperson: Nigeria. 13:00: Lunch ii) Plenary Session 2 14:00- 15:30 Topic two: <i>The role of African Parliaments in the implementation of the Africa Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA).</i> Mover: The Gambia Seconder: Kenya Session Chairperson: Malawi. Free evening

SN	DAY/DATE	ACTIVITY
DAY 5		
9.	Thursday 20 th July, 2023	<p>i) Plenary session 3</p> <p>10:00 – 12:00 Topic three: <i>Addressing the challenge of food security in Africa by promoting investments in Agriculture</i></p> <p>Mover: Ghana Seconder: Eswatini Session Chairperson: Seychelles.</p> <p>ii) Plenary session 4</p> <p>14:00 – 15:00 Topic four: The devastating impacts of climate change: A call for more parliamentary interventions</p> <p>Mover: Cameroon Seconder: Zambia Session Chairperson: Tanzania.</p> <p>iii) Resolution 15:00 – 17:00</p> <p>iv) 17:00 Closure</p>
DAY 6		
10.	Friday 21 st July, 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excursion (TBC) • Farewell Dinner (TBC)
DAY 7		
11.	Friday 22 nd July, 2023	Official Departure for all delegates