

IALA COUNCIL
77th session**28 May 2023**
Rio de Janeiro
Brazil**14 – CONFERENCES, SYMPOSIA AND OTHER EVENTS*****14.5 – World Marine Aids to Navigation Day*****14.5 – World AtoN (WAtON) Day**

Note by the Secretariat

INTRODUCTION

The Kingdom of Morocco has offered to host the main event celebrating the World Marine Aids to Navigation Day in Tangier, on 4 and 5 July 2023. The event will include a visit of the Cap Spartel lighthouse to celebrate the nomination as an IALA Heritage Lighthouse of the year.

The draft programme is as follows:

Tuesday 04/07/2023

Registration and Welcome cocktail

Opening remarks:

- The Minister of Equipment and Water
- IALA Secretary General

Official Exhibition Opening and Tour

Session 1: New emerging technologies in the field of maritime navigation and contribution of the port sector (To be confirmed)

Session 2: Preparation of the IMO Audit by African countries (tbc)

Session 3: Capacity Building for Africa

Session 4: The cultural heritage of lighthouses Trip to Cap Spartel: Thematic guided tour of the lighthouse and the Museum followed by a cocktail dinner

Wednesday 05/07/2023

Technical visit:

Visit of the maritime Surveillance traffic Center

Visit of the Tangier Med Port



Cultural visits:

- Visit the marina of Tangier city
- Visit of the Port Center
- Visit of the Medina of Tangier
- Visit of the IBN BattouTa Museum

THE COUNCIL IS REQUESTED TO

NOTE the information provided in this document and consider sending representatives to Tangier for the celebration. The Council is also invited to consider celebrating the WAtON Day locally and on social media and publicize pictures etc. on the special page on the IALA website.