

CACMS – FIA AFRICA REGION MEETING – PRESS RELEASE - 29th August 2017

Following the FIA Africa Congress held in Abuja, Nigeria on Saturday 26th August 2017 attended by 19 FIA Member countries from Africa the following are the items confirmed and decided.

1. Best ARC Rally in 2016

This was awarded to the Sasol Rally South Africa by the FIA President Jean Todt accompanied by FIA Deputy President Mr. Graham Stoker and the FIA Rally Director Mr. Jarmo Mahonen and the award was received by the Sasol Rally Clerk of Course Mr. Willie Du Plessis accompanied by the Motorsport South Africa Delegate Mr. Steve Harding. The points scored for the ARC Rallies were as follows: South Africa 985.50 , Rally Cote D'Ivoire 978 , Rwanda MG Rally 905 , Zambia Rally 834.50 , Tanzania Rally 822 , Uganda Rally 745.

2. Changes to the 2018 FIA African Rally Championship regulations

- All rallies in 2018 will be run on road closed for the rally.
- Championship points will be awarded for the actual position of the competitor in the rally. All competitors using eligible cars for the ARC will score points.
- New points scoring system for up to 14 overall result of only homologated cars will be adopted: 1st-25 , 2nd-21 , 3rd-18 , 4th-16 , 5th-14 , 6th-12 , 7th-10 , 8th-8 , 9th-6 , 10th-5 , 11th-4 , 12th-3 , 13th-2 , 14th- 1
- Registration for the ARC championship is completely removed. All cars eligible to score points in the ARC regulations will score as per the table above.
- The penalty for deviation from the route is reduced to 5 minutes from the previous 10 minutes. It is noted that if this deviation misses a tulip diagram on the road book the penalty is exclusion.
- Restart after retirement will be permitted but driver will not be classified in the results.

3. 2018 FIA African Rally Championship Calendar

23-25 th February 2018 -	Rally Bandama Cote D'Ivoire
16-18 th March 2018 -	Safari Rally Kenya
19-21 st April 2018 -	York Rally South Africa
22-24 th June 2018 -	Zambia International Rally
20-22 nd July 2018 -	Pearl of Africa Uganda Rally
24-26 th August 2018 -	Rally of Tanzania
21-23 rd September 2018 -	Rwanda Mountain Gorilla Rally

4. CACMS Elections and Statutes Amendments

The meeting felt that there was not enough time to deliberate on the changes to the CACMS Statutes and this task was given to Mr. Christian Gakawya to circulate and get comments from all members. For this reason, it was agreed to extend the term of the current CACMS President Mr. Surinder Thatthi for one year and elections will be held in 2018. Meanwhile the meeting felt it was important to appoint a Vice-President for CACMS from the French speaking region and Mr. Alain Ambrosino from Cote D'Ivoire was unanimously elected for one year as the Vice President for CACMS.