

The Confederation of African Tennis (CAT) organized in conjunction with Malagasy Tennis Federation its Annual General Meeting (AGM) on 15th June 2019 at Colbert Hotel in Antananarivo with the participation of more than fifty Presidents and delegates from CAT African Federations Members representing 31 countries: Algeria, Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burundi, Comoros, Congo Brazzaville, Democratic Republic of Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Ghana, Guinea Conakry, Kenya, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritius, Mauritania, Mozambique, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Seychelles, Somalia, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Tunisia and Uganda.



Family Picture with all participants at the CAT AGM 2019

This AGM was preceded the day before by the Meetings of the different African Zones. Thus, and in addition to the participation of the President and the members of the Executive Committee of the CAT, this AGM was marked by the presence of Mr. David Haggerty, President of the International Tennis Federation (ITF) as well as several executives of the ITF Development Department.



All items on the agenda were presented and discussed, mainly: the approval of the 2018 AGM Minutes, discussion and unanimous approval of the 2018 financial report; Annual report of the President of the CAT and the annual report of its activities.



Mr Tarak Cherif - CAT President



Mr Stephane Rakotondrainibe President FMT





Intervention of the Representatives of the Ministry of Sport & the National Olympic Committee of Madagascar The President and the ITF Officials also made a variety of interventions at this AGM, which took place as usual in a very friendly and fraternal atmosphere among all the delegates.



Mr David Haggerty - ITF President



Mr Luca Santilli – Ex. Director ITF Development



Mr Hichem Riani CAT SG & CEO



Mr Johann Koorts CAT General Treasurer

Election of the CAT President and the CAT Vice Presidents:

CAT Presidency:

Being the only candidate for his succession, Mr. Tarak Cherif was re-elected unanimously as President of the Confederation of African Tennis (CAT) for a new term 2019 - 2023

CAT Vice Presidencies:

With regard to the positions of Vice Presidents of the CAT and Presidents of the different African Zones, the polls were quite close resulting in the election of:

- Mr. Mohamed Bessaad Algeria, CAT Vice President & President of the North African Zone.
- Mr. Issa Mboup Senegal, CAT Vice President & President of the Western African Zone.

- Mr. Emile Ngoy Kasongo - Democratic Congo, CAT Vice President & President of the Central African Zone

- Dr Patrick Gichira - Kenya, CAT Vice President & President of the Eastern African Zone.

- Mr. Nelson Amanze - Botswana, CAT Vice President & President of the Southern African Zone



The new CAT Executive Committee From left to right Mohamed Bessaad – Patrick Gichira – Tarak Cherif – Issa Mboup – Nelson Amanze - Emile Ngoy Kasongo

Zones' Meetings:

As mentioned above, the CAT AGM was preceded the day before by the Meetings of the different African Zones with the attendance of the CAT and ITF Presidents as well as the CAT & ITF Development Staff who made the round tables of each meeting.



<u>Zone I</u>





Zone III









Zone V









ITF Tennis Tour Presentation:

Ms. Jackie Nesbitt, ITF Circuit Executive Director has made a presentation about an update regarding the ITF World Tennis Tour. All delegates have attended that important meeting that took place prior the zones' meeting on 14 June 2019.



CAT and ITF Awards & Official Dinner of Malagasy Tennis Federation:

The Malagasy Tennis Federation organized a Gala Dinner on Saturday 15 June in honor of all the delegates. During this dinner, the Presidents of the ITF and CAT awarded some National Federations awards in recognition of the work done in their country in the development of tennis during the year 2018. National Federations honored:

• <u>CAT Award 2019</u>: Togo Tennis Federation, for its achievements and progress in the development of tennis during the year 2018



Mr Atafeitom Tagba receiving the CAT Trophy to Togo Tennis Federation, for its achievements and progress in the development of tennis during the year 2018

• CAT Award 2019 for the best African Administrator in 2018: Mr Kriss Napaul - Mauritius



Mr Kamil Patel, President of Mauritius Tennis Federation receiving the Award of the Best African Administrator on behalf of Kriss Napaul

• <u>Outstanding Acknowledgement of the CAT</u> to the: Tunisian Tennis Federation, for its great achievements in African Tennis during the year 2018.



Mrs. Salma Mouelhi-Guizani, President of Tunisian Tennis Federation receiving an Outstanding Acknowledgement of the CAT

• <u>Outstanding Acknowledgement of the CAT</u> to the: Botswana Tennis Association, for its great achievements in African Tennis during the year 2018.



Dr Khaulani Fichani, President of Botswana Tennis Association receiving an Outstanding Acknowledgement of the CAT

• <u>Outstanding Acknowledgement of the CAT</u> to the: Algeria Tennis Association, for its great achievements in African Tennis during the year 2018.



Mr Mohamed Bessaad, President of Algeria Tennis Federation receiving an Outstanding Acknowledgement of the CAT

Other awards were given by the ITF President for a National Federation of each of the five African zones in recognition of the progress made in promoting tennis:

Zone I - North Africa: **Egypt**; Zone II - West Africa: **Senegal**; Zone III - Central Africa: **Congo**; Zone IV - East Africa: **Uganda**; Zone V - Southern Africa: **Zimbabwe**



Mr Issa Mboup, President of Senegal Tennis Federation receiving the ITF Award of Zone II in recognition of the progress made in promoting tennis



Mr Germain Ickonga, President of Congo Tennis Federation receiving the ITF Award of Zone III in recognition of the progress made in promoting tennis



Mr Cedric Babu, President of Uganda Tennis Association receiving the ITF Award of Zone III in recognition of the progress made in promoting tennis

The Presidents of the CAT and the ITF also honored the Malagasy Tennis Federation, the host country of the CAT General Annual Meeting of 2019 as well as the President of the National Olympic Committee of Madagascar and the Representative of the Ministry of Sport.



Mr Stéphane Rakotondrainibe, President of the Malagasy Tennis Federation honoured by the CAT President



The President of the National Malagasy Olympic Committee and the Representative of the Ministry of Sport in Madagascar honoured by the CAT President