



The Pan-African Bicycle Tour



In general, competitions related to cycling are about a country, such as the Tour de France, El Giro, the Vuelta, the Tour of Benin, or the Tour of Rwanda, etc. The Panafrikan Bicycle Tour is a round-the-world bicycle tour. Designed by Dr Louis-Georges Tin, the Prime Minister of the State of the African Diaspora, it is part of a Pan-African logic, and aims to cross Africa and the Diaspora, therefore the whole world.

Goal



The main objective is to promote Africa and the Diaspora through cycling. This promotion will be done first through the natural and geographic heritage. Indeed, the Tour will cross sumptuous landscapes, such as the Andes in Colombia, Kilimanjaro in Tanzania for these two mountain stages. But the route will also evoke the cultural and historical heritage, with places such as the slave port of Liverpool, the Panama Canal, the beautiful ruins of the great Zimbabwe and of course the Pyramids of Egypt.



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Route



The Route is composed of 15 stages in 3 phases: a first phase of 7 stages in the Diaspora, a second phase of 7 stages in Africa, plus a final phase which also takes place in Africa, in this case in Egypt. In each country, an independent race takes place, with its riders and its winners. In the next country, other runners participate, with other winners, and in the final phase, the winners of the 14 stages meet for one last race, and the winner of the winners is consecrated at the foot of the pyramids



Through the Continent

Liberia : from Edina to Monrovia

Benin : from Ouidah to Cotonou

CongoS : from Brazzaville to Kinshasa, through the Congo River

Zimbabwe : from Chivhu to Masvingo, the Great Zimbabwe Ruins

Tanzania : from Moshi Town to Mandara Hut, through the Kilimanjaro

Kenya : from Nairobi to Mount Kenya

Ethiopia : from Shashamane to the African Union Building

Final Stage

Egypt : from the Stadium of Cairo to the Kheops Pyramid

Through the Diaspora

UK : London / from Manchester to the Liverpool Museum of slavery

USA : from Jamestown to Washington

Jamaica : from Port Antonio, Portland, to Old Harbour, St. Catherine

Panama : from Gamboa to Cinta through the Canal

Colombia : from Cali to Buenaventura

Brazil : from Salvador in Bahia to the Beach of the Fort

Argentina : From Chascomus Lagoon to Buenos Aires





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The route clearly has historical and symbolic significance. During the days of slavery, ships sailed from Europe, went to Africa, captured men and women and deported them to America, before returning to Europe - this was the triangular trade. Today, the Pan-African Cycling Tour departs from Europe, but travels in the opposite direction: it then goes to the Americas, and ends in Africa, and in particular in Egypt, at the foot of the pyramids. It is therefore a return to the sources, a comeback, an anabasis, in the geographical and spiritual sense of the term.

Calendar

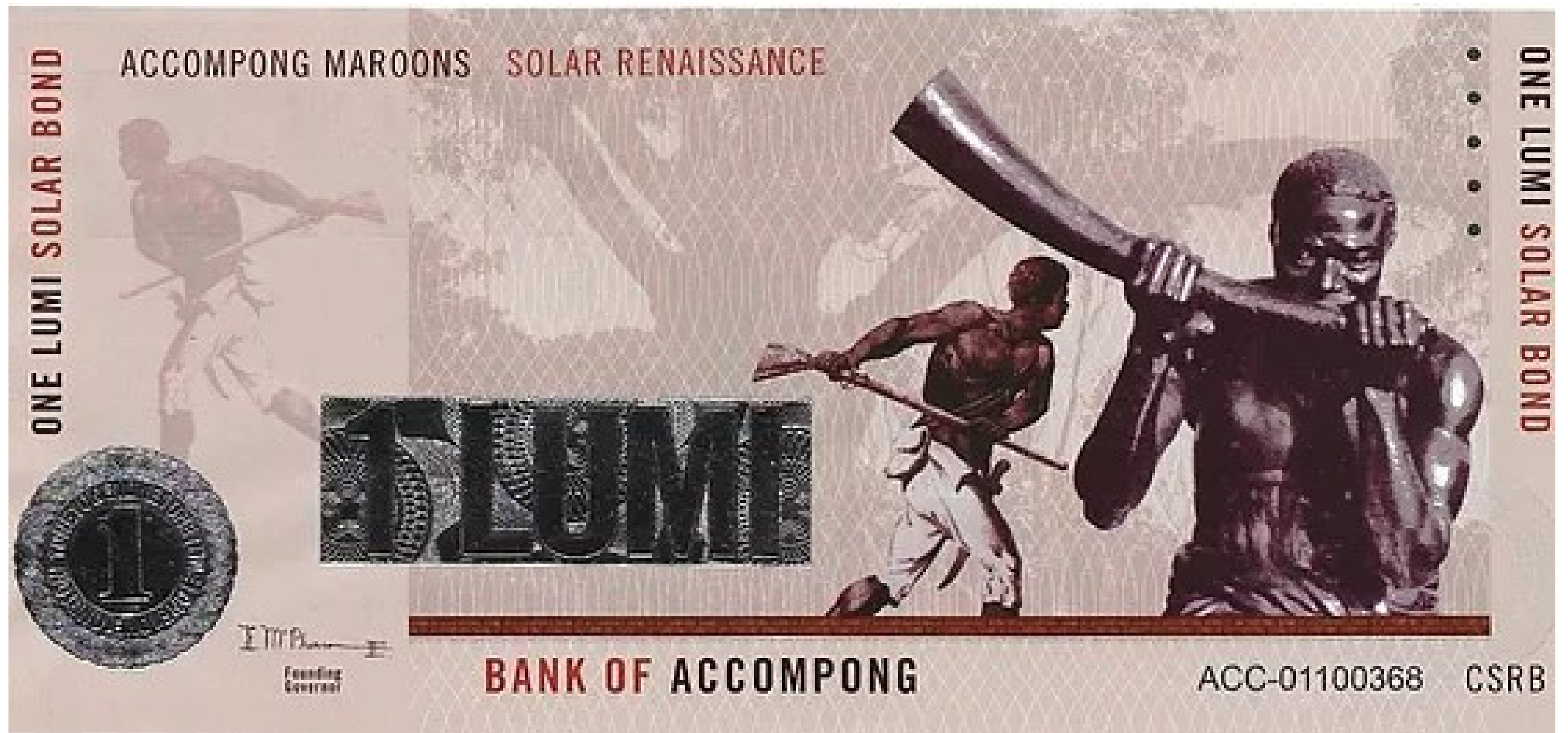


The race will start on Monday August 1st 2022, and will last the whole month until August 30th.



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Award



The winner of each stage will receive 3000 Lumis (the Lumi being the national currency of the State of the African Diaspora, and being worth 15,96 USD). The winner of the winners will receive the final Award, a sculpture capturing the essence of our flag. He will be crowned at the feet of the Pyramids, will receive 20 000 Lumis, i.e. 319 200 USD. This is more than what the winners of the Tour of Spain (200 % more) and the winner of the Tour of Italy (50% more) actually receive.