

Country's Tourism Sector for Birds

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Following the launch of birding tourism in Rwanda last year, tourism stakeholders are eyeing it as another income generating product.

During a one-day workshop organised by the On The Frontier Group(OTF Group) at the Prime Holdings in Kimihurura, Kigali city last week, participants agreed that birding would easily become a major income generating activity.

Birding is believed to be the fastest growing outdoor activity in the United States and the United Kingdom with more than one million people belong to the royal society for the protection of bird; birdlife partners in the United Kingdom.

The OTF Group says that Rwanda has a variety of birds because her natural endowments hugely favour birding.

Although it is hard to put an accurate figure to the number of bird species, it is believed they could be over 650. The Akagera and Nyungwe national parks are believed to be homes of many species. The Akagera national park is located in the eastern part of the country while Nyungwe is found in the western part.

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