Smart Tourism Destinations

Peer Learning #1



14th March 2023







Today's Agenda

The event will be recorded REC



9.30 – 9.45 CET	Welcome address & introduction to the best practices	Costanza Bersani & Carlo Montino, Intellera Consulting
9.45 – 10.00	EarthCheck self-assessment tool to promote sustainable development - the case of the Azores	Carolina Mendonca, Azores DMO Coordinator
10.00 - 10.15	Intelligence applied to a tourism destination - the case of Benidorm	Leire Bilbao, CEO @ VisitBenidorm
10.15 – 10.30	Testing of sensors to collect data on tourist flows - the case of Ferrara	<i>Marcella Pirazzoli, Municipality of Ferrara & Giada Spadoni, SIPRO</i>
10.30 - 10.45	Helsinki DMO data management tool	Jukka Punamäki, Senior Advisor @ Helsinki Tourism
10.45 - 11.00	Coffee break	
11.00 – 11.15	The Tourism Impact Model (TIM) - the case of Postojna	<i>Maja Piskur , Municipality of Postojna & Urska Starc Peceney, Arctur</i>
11.15 – 11.30	Metaverse AR Solutions in Smart Tourism Destinations – the case of Kurzeme	Artis Gustovskis, Kuldiga Digital Innovation Hub Chairman
11.30 – 12.00	Have your say! Consultation on Smart Tourism recommendations	Costanza Bersani, Intellera Consulting
12.00 – 12.10	Materials for you from the Smart Tourism Destinations project	Antonio Peláez Verdet, Universidad de Málaga
12.10 – 12.30	Q&A	Costanza Bersani, Intellera Consulting
12.30 – 12.40	Closing remarks and next steps	Costanza Bersani, Intellera Consulting

The Smart Tourism Destinations project



Promoted by the European Commission - DG GROW, the Smart Tourism Destinations Project is managed by Intellera Consulting, CARSA, the University of Malaga, and PwC EU Services.



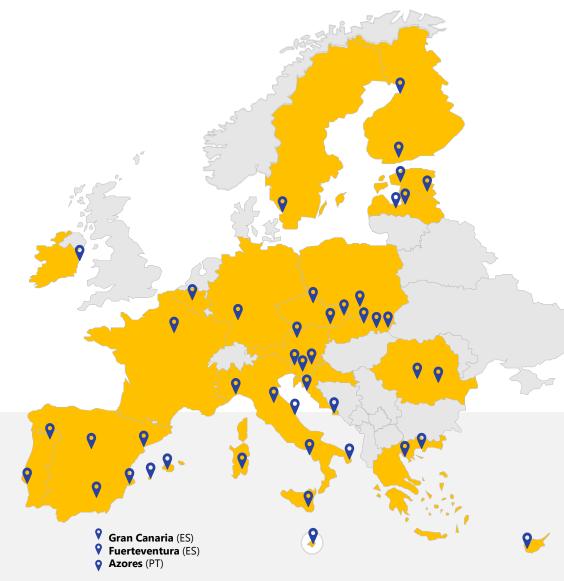
The project aims to support EU destinations implementing data-driven approaches to make tourism more sustainable and accessible.



The project can also count on the support of **10 independent experts** including private sectors practitioners and academic researchers.

SELECTED DESTINATIONS

48 Destinations have been selected to be part of the Project, having the possibility to **learn from experts and peers** and work on **their Smart Tourism Destination's Roadmap.**



Smart Tourism Destinations – Objectives

The key objectives of the Smart Tourism Destinations project



Strengthen collaboration and peer learning between EU tourism destinations

Develop a knowledge base and provide **capacity building activities** to support the adoption of Smart Tourism solutions and approaches

Disseminate lessons learnt and good practices, raise awareness on Smart Tourism and develop **final recommendations**

To achieve these goals, **we will work together** with the independent experts, the selected destinations, and involve the wider community of stakeholders in a series of **capacity building and knowledge sharing activities**.

Key tools developed by the project are already available on our project website!







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Peer learning and matchmaking: today's objectives

This event represents a great chance to see **concrete examples** on **how data-driven solutions can be concretely applied in tourism**, thus sharing knowledge with the wider EU tourism community. To do so, today's event is pursuing the following goals:

Get inspired from the use cases

Today's Peer Learning Session **allows some Smart Tourism Destinations to share their own experience** in using datadriven solutions. Get inspired from what other destinations did and do not miss the chance of presenting your own case during the next Peer Learning Session!

Find potential partners

Today's event also foresees a **matchmaking session** during which you can get to know the initiative of a Destination which is looking for partners. Artis Gustovskis from the **destination of Kurzeme** will provide you with details on the AR/VR/Metaverse solutions for culture tourism being developed by the city and how partnerships would be beneficial for the city's specific case. Reflect on this initiative and see if you can become Kurzeme's partner!

Share your ideas

During the Peer Learning Event we will ask for your contribution to develop further recommendations around the concept of Smart Tourism following the lead given by the EC's Transition Pathway for Tourism

Consultation on Smart Tourism recommendations

We will ask for your contribution to gather **your suggestions and ideas** on a series of practical **recommendations** to be addressed to the European Commission, EU Member States and tourism destinations for further actions in the field of smart tourism

Be proactive and share your ideas

Different points of view matter!

Your collaboration in developing the recommendations will help us having a wider overview on the concrete actions you need to continue your path towards better use of data for tourism

Be part of a co-creation process

Collaboration is crucial in order to achieve results that can be beneficial for a vast community of actors. This is our first consultation activity within this task, but others are yet to come!



House rules



Please mute your microphone to avoid background noise



Post questions using the "chat" function



During the meeting, we will ask you a few questions through the **Microsoft Teams poll** function



Presentations will be shared and made available on the Smart Tourism Destinations website



Smart Tourism Destinations



Best Practices







Overview on the Best Practices

Azores – EarthCheck self-assessment tool to promote sustainable development

Carolina Mendonça – Azores DMO Coordinator (PT)



Benidorm – Tourism intelligence as a knowledge base to improve municipal governance and sustainable knowledge-based business Leire Bilbao – CEO @ VisitBenidorm (ES)



Ferrara – Testing of sensors to collect data on tourist flows Giada Spadoni – SIPRO Ferrara & Marcella Pirazzoli – Municipality of Ferrara (IT)



Helsinki – Helsinki DMO data management tool Jukka Punamäki – Senior Advisor @ Helsinki Tourism (FI)



Postojna – The Tourism Impact Model (TIM)

Maja Piškur – Municipality of Postojna & Urska Starc-Peceney, Arctur (SI)





Kurzeme – Metaverse AR Solutions Artis Guvstoskis – Chairman @ Kuldiga Digital Innovation Hub (LV)

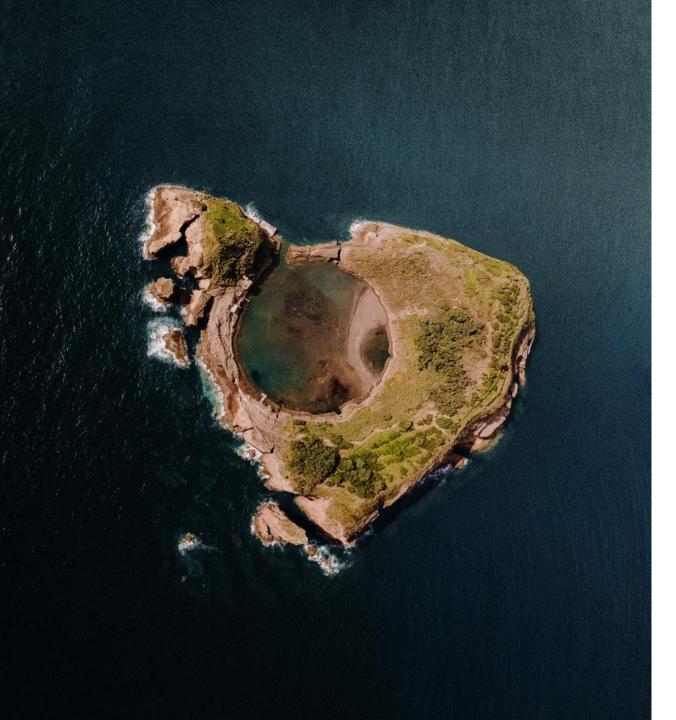


Azores Leading Sustainable Tourism

Regional Secretariat of Tourism, Mobility and Infrastructures Carolina Mendonça | Azores DMO Coordinator

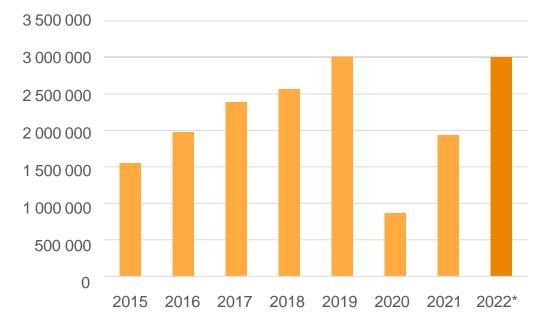






Tourism development cycle in the Azores

Overnight stays



+ 3 M overnight stays in 2022



Certification process



International organization that promotes the universal principles of sustainable tourism

Defines international standards

for accredited entities



EarthCheck is the world's leading scientific benchmarking, certification and advisory group for travel and tourism.





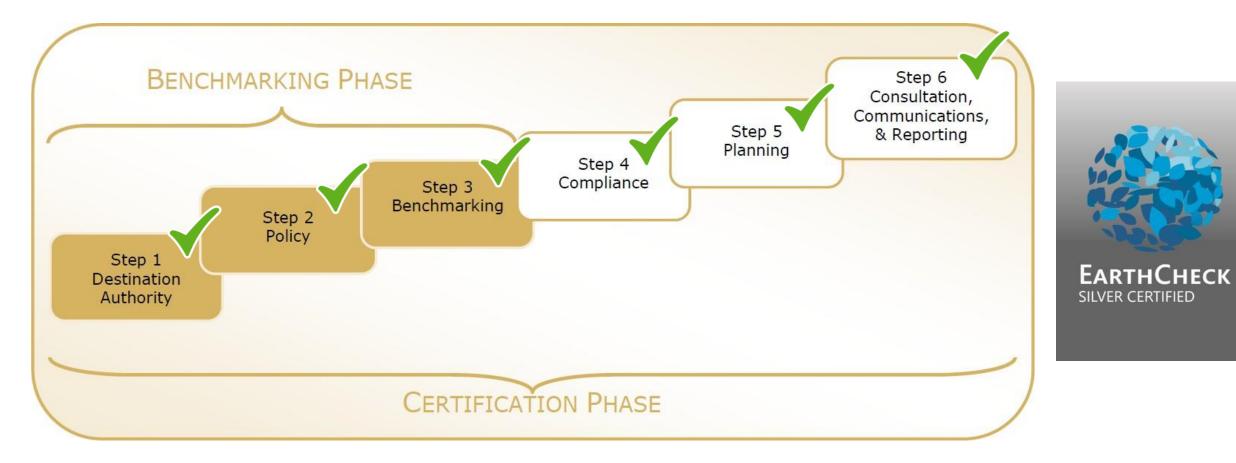
Sustainability is only effective if it is a collaborative process

The Azores DMO works as a 'catalyst' structure for sustainable development

"We can't manage what we don't measure."

— Peter Drucker

EarthCheck certification process





12 Key performance areas





Benchmarking results

Best practice 🗡

Habitat
 conservation

- % Green Spaces
- Destination Safety

Below baseline X

- Above baseline 🗸
- Energy consumption
- GHG Emissions
- Waste sent to landfill
- Water samples passed
- Water saving
- Socio-economic benefits
- Potable water consumption



BENCHMARKING ASSESSMENT REPORT

DESTINATION BENCHMARKING

REGIÃO AUTÓNOMA DOS AÇORES PONTA DELGADA, PORTUGAL

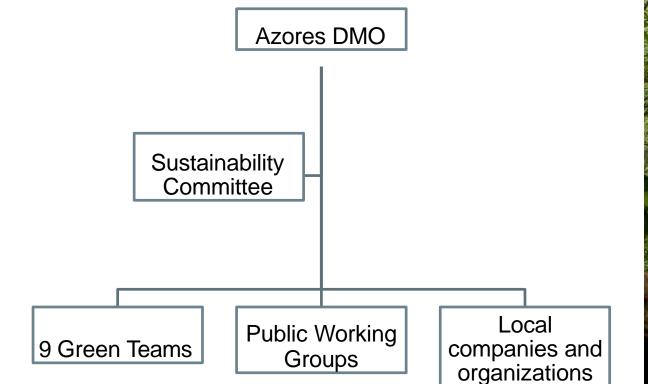


REPORT DATE: 22 September 2021 Benchmarking Data Collection Period: 1 January 2020 - 31 December 2020

The planet deserves more than half measures



Ensure the active participation of the entire community







Prioritization of issues and asymmetries by Island



A transformative process for the Azores







Rev. 01

SUSTAINABILITY CHARTER OF THE AZORES

9 Islands

+ 200

SUBSCRIBING ENTITIES

+ 800

COMMITMENT S



IMPACTFUL

A voluntary membership

forum, where every entity

subscribes with 3

verifiable and

objective

commitments per

year aligned with the

SDGs

Thank you!

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Intelligence applied to a tourist destination, Benidorm Leire Bilbao







USE CASE OF DATA SHARING SPACE (DESTINATION, TOURISTS AND BUSINESSES) AROUND THE OBJECTIVES/CHALLENGES OF THE MANAGING BODY AND THE MASTER PLAN

ECOSYSTEM WHERE VOLUNTARY SHARING OF DATA AND SERVICES BETWEEN PARTICIPANTS IS REALIZED



Our solution

DATA - SHARING SPACE

THE DATA SPACES DETECT BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES LINKED TO SMART DESTINATION CHALLENGES BASED ON TOURISM INTELLIGENCE.

THE DESIGN OF USE CASES MUST BE SCALABLE

DATA SHARING GENERATES VALUE BEYOND THE SUM OF EACH PART INDIVIDUALLY

PUBLIC-PRIVATE COLLABORATION, DRIVEN BY THE ADMINISTRATION





INNOVATION

The **SMART DESTINATION OFFICE**, is the Technical Office of Innovation and Intelligence, created as a

destination for the municipality of Benidorm.

Management of innovation and intelligence in order to increase the creation of new knowledge,

and new innovation tools such as innovative public



- Data strategy: tourism intelligence (UNE 166 006), dashboard of KPIs, transparency and open data
- Data analysis
- Quality
- Fund raising and management, innovative public procurement area.
- Search and implementation of pilot projects, innovation and technology lab.
- Ciclops, monitoring of the integrated management system for smart destinations (UNE 178 501).

allows:



TOOLS & SOURCES

Incorporation of comprehensive and up-to-date data analysis into the decisionmaking process in the tourism sector.





Collaborative data analytics tool for the hotel sector

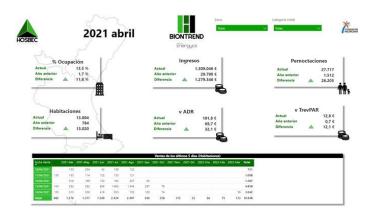
BIONTREND is a dashboard that provides hoteliers with quality information directly and updated in almost real time thanks to the connectivity of the tool with their hotel management system (PMS).

This business smart tool allows connected hotels to monitor the current, future and past situation of tourism activity. It aims to perform predictive analysis to facilitate business decision making.

The management of views has been coordinated with 12 different PMS to successfully implement hotel







Our solution

HOSBEC - BIONTREND

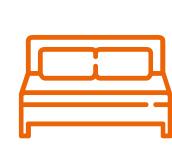




REVENUE

OCCUPANCY





NIGHT STAYS



REVPAR Y ADR



ANALYSIS

104 HOTELS COMUNITAT



STARTS IN BENIDORM, CURRENTLY 22 DESTINATION



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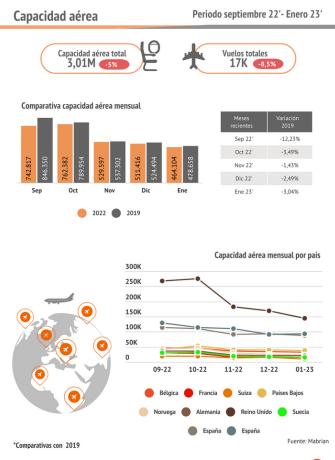
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Incorporation of comprehensive and up-to-date data analysis into the

decision-making process in the tourism sector.

Periodo diciembre

Benidorm





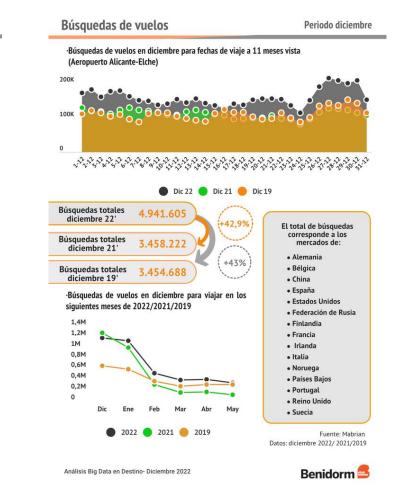


Comparativa capacidad por aerolineas

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easyJet	U2 - easyJet *	46.814	55.448	-15,6%	
Jet2holidays	LS - Jet2 *	30.633	36.326	-15,7%	
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BRITISH AMORAYS	BA - British Airways	4.579	2.634	73,8%	
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*Comparativas con 2019

Análisis Big Data en Destino-Diciembre 2022



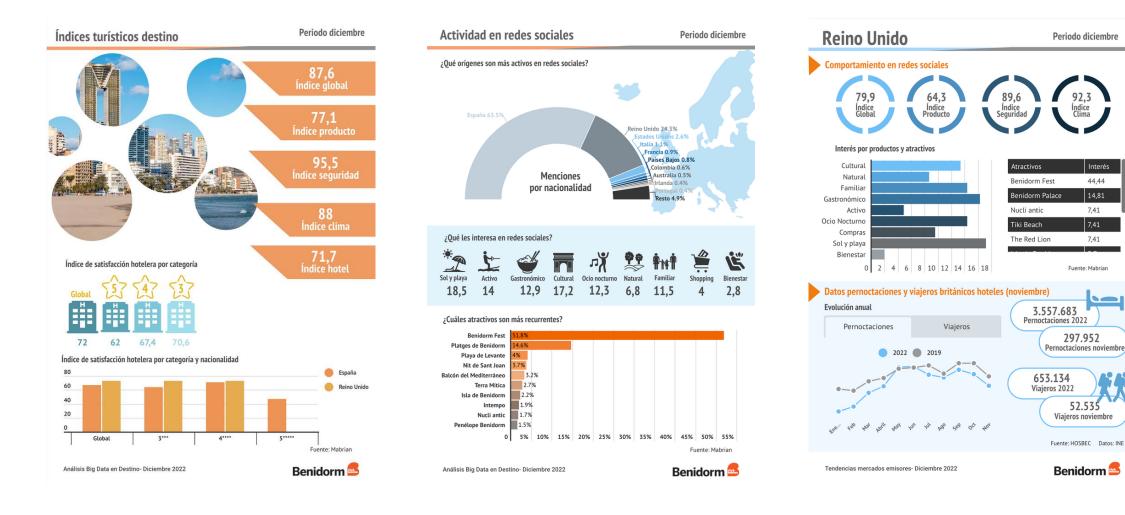
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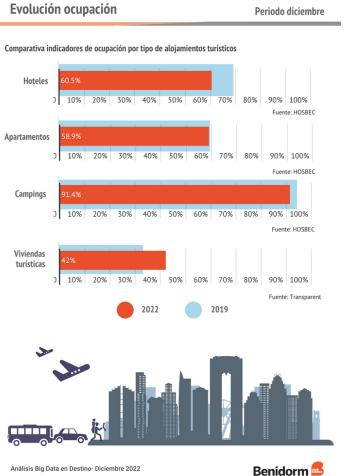
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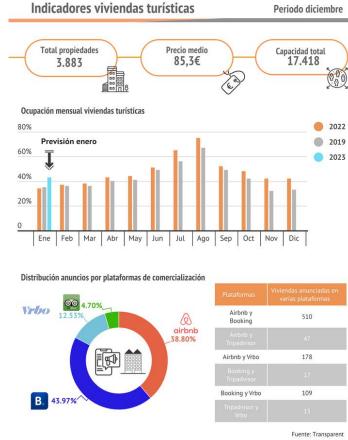


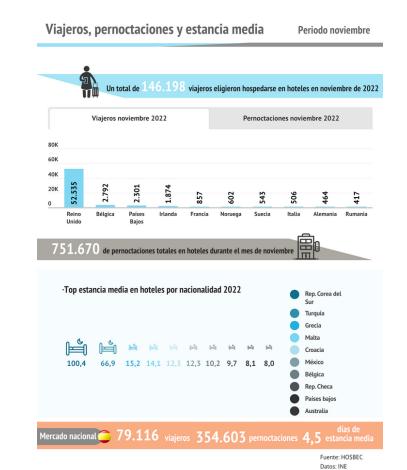
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Fuente: Transparent







Lessons learned and replicability

- The **improvement and development of the information sources** collected is encouraged in order to adapt them to the needs demanded by the sector.
- Better informed decisions on tourism management and promotion, as users, public administrations, economic and social actors in the tourism sector now have at their disposal a greater volume of easily accessible specific information, thus reducing search and processing costs.
- Improved measurement and monitoring capabilities of the tourism sector.
- Increased knowledge and analysis of the tourism sector beyond the numbers. This system simplifies and unifies the way of collecting, organising and analysing tourism sector data, facilitating the transformation of data into knowledge.
- Availability of the necessary data and appropriate processing to improve competitiveness and facilitate the comparison and study of possible different situations.
- Contribution to the reorientation of the tourism model towards sustainability not only as an added value, but also as a requirement for tourism to continue to be an engine of economic and social development for Benidorm-
- **Development of new products/experiences** that contribute to diversifying the market or, where appropriate, to adapting and perfecting those that already exist.



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Testing of sensors to collect data on tourist flows in Ferrara

Giada Spadoni - SIPRO Development Agency - Ferrara Marcella Pirazzoli - Municipality of Ferrara













The context of Ferrara



Ferrara is a medium-sized tourist city (129.326 inhabitants), located in the north-east of Italy.

The Municipality, in addition to the main aspects for which the city is famous and known, want to promote even the minor heritage and historical shops located in the city center, to channel tourist flows in a different way, generating new routes in the city.

To achieve this objective, a very important step would be the creation of a smart destination hub capable of collecting data in order to know what type of tourist visit the city and to share it with all local stakeholders.

The context of Ferrara



One of the first step has been the installation of six sensors located in strategic points of the city.

This initiative was part of a collaboration between SIPRO, MoF and University of Bologna within S.LI.DES. Project (Smart Strategies for sustainable tourism in Lively cultural Destinations).

It aimed at fostering cross border cooperation among cultural destinations in the Programme area and the joint planning of smart strategies to support more sustainable and balanced territorial development through the promotion of tangible and intangible cultural heritage.

Our challenge

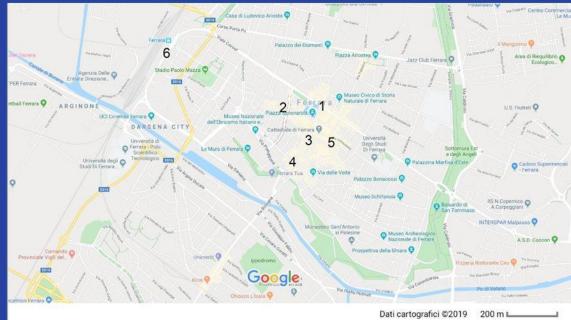
The proposal of experimentation for the analysis of the routes and the method of arrival of tourist visitors to the Old Town had some main objectives:

- To understand the dynamics of mobility in the city
- Support to the development of the attractiveness of the territory through the re-elaboration of data on mobility and tourism (intelligent solutions for the PA)
- To provide a system of support to public decision makers for the use of smart solutions for planning tourism policies and strategies
- Analyze the post-covid restart phase and try to understand the possible developments

Our solution

The adopted data-driven solution, realized by CAST UniBO and Deda Next, was developed on the basis of the data processed by a dashboard integrated with data collected from mobile phones and from the installation of the sensors (able to recognize the presence of a mobile device capable to connect to wifi in a specific area) in the city centre of Ferrara.

These sensors were strategically positioned in order to recognize the tourist flows that from the station or from the main car parks were di



the station or from the main car parks were directed towards the historic center.

All the data will be supplied to the dashboard that will allow its visualization and interface them with a dynamic model of data integration and processing.

Benefits

The creation of a new tool for the study and the management of tourist flows in the historical center

- The enhancement of local tourism offer, to revitalize social and economic development in city center and to transform cultural assets in valuable resources
- The identification of some new city tours through its historical shops and knowledge of products which have defined the history of the city
- The enhancement of the least considered parts of the city or commercial activities or heritage



The valorization of local cuisine and typical food and wine products

Lessons learned and replicability

- This methodology was implemented not only by the Municipality of Ferrara but also by other involved destination (e.g. Sibenik) in the S.Li.Des. Project.
- This means that, this solution could be transfer to other contexts in order to support specific territorial initiatives to generate added value in the sustainable promotion of tangible and intangible cultural assets as well as reduction of visitors' time and spatial concentration.
- The adopted solution, with the sensors installation and the elaboration of their data through a dashboard, could be easily used by all local authorities as a first step to enhance their
- decision-making process regarding the management of most popular sites, especially by exploiting the tourism potential of "minor" cultural assets, as a leverage to revitalize the urban and social environment and diversify the local economy.

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Thank you!









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Use case: Helsinki DMO data Management tool Jukka Punamäki





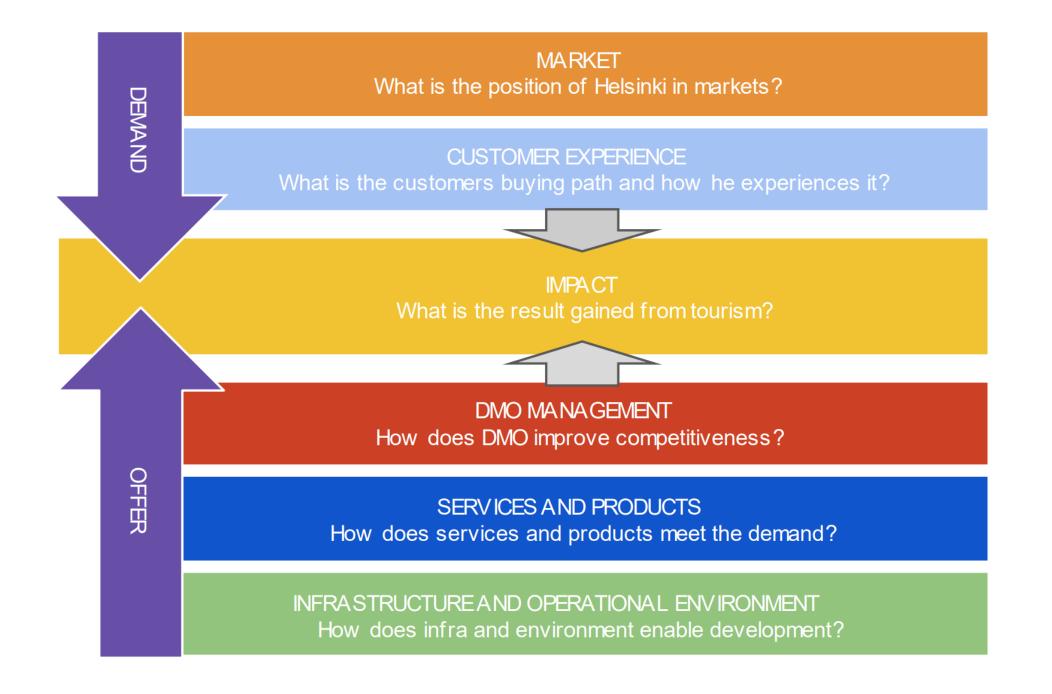


Our challenge

Helsinki Tourism and Destination management unit has utilised tools and processes of knowledge-based management, but the operations have not been organised and responsibilities have not been systematically assigned.

Various sources of information are already being exploited widely but in a fragmented manner without uniform practices. The data is scattered across different systems, to which not all the necessary persons may have access.

Due to the above, a clear model, common tools and operating methods are desired for knowledge-based management. In order to achieve this goal, we need to understand the challenges involved.



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Visitor Benchmark

Social Media Listing BETA

Social Media Insights

Instagram Summary

LinkedIn Summary Website Summary Google Search Google Trends

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Kyselyiden ja koulutusten hallinta

Kyselyiden yhteenveto Digivalmiuskysely

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1 Testing

Overnights **Reservation Channel** Capacities

Resource Library Airport Data

🔧 Tools

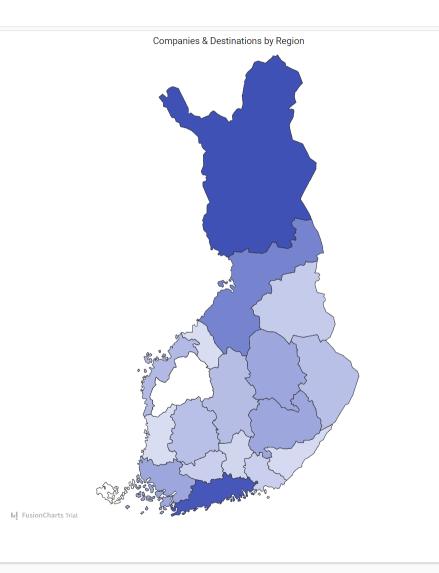
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	Ab Kasnäsudden Oy	LakelandGTE		
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Rukakeskus Oy
Ruska Laukka Ky
Sahanlahti Resort Oy
Saija Oy
Saimaan Eräpalvelu Oravi Oy
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Certificate

Maiatala Duukarin Duaäkki



• Executive summary

- Landing page: Contents (sisällysluettelo) + [3 most important] KPI's
- Management board (Tourism directors most important numbers)
- KPI's | Tourism and Events Action Plan 2022–2026
- Tourism and events key numbers (e.g. overnights, flights, ect)

Events

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- Key numbers-dashboard
- Key events (yleisötapahtumat/ avaintapahtumat, taulukko)
- Meetings & congresses

• Visitory experience

- (Dreaming)
- (Planning)
- (Purchasing)
- Experiencing
- (Sharing)

• Tourism information

- Management-dashboard
- Survey results
- $_{\circ}$ Visitor counter
- o Chat data

Benchmark

- (Key numbers-dashboard)
- Visit Finland survey results (national)
- Sharing data between DMO's
- (Visit Finland website analytics)

• Industry statistics

- (Key numbers-dashboard)
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 - Hotel capacities & investments

• Mobility

- (Summary-dashboard)
- Flights
- Harbour liner traffic
- Cruises
- (Suomenlinnan lauttamäärät)
- (Visa travel data)
- (HSL public transportation)
- (Telia, Elisa, ForwardKeys tms liikkumisen data tulevaisuudessa)

• Attractions

- Visitor numbers the main attractions
- (Museum visitors)

• Pacing/forcasting

- o Summary
- Accommodation reservation channel capacities
- Flights ForwardKeys
- $\circ \quad \ Cruises$
- $\circ \quad \ \ Trends$
 - google search
- o google trends
- **Digital channels and marketing** (see separate detailed word in tietoikkunat-page)
 - o Summary
 - MyHelsinki.fi key figures
 - Social media key figures
 - Digital marketing key figures
 - Social media organic timeline
 - website MyHelsinki.fi
 - Facebook
 - o Instagram
 - $\circ \quad \ \ LinkedIn$
 - o Twitter
 - Google Ads
 - (International media monitoring)
 - Digital customer journey

Sustainability

- Key numbers-dashboard
- Environment
- Inclusivity
- Index & certifications
- Tourism safety

• Smart tourism

- Key numbers-dashboard
- TPR, LinkedEvents, DataHub, STF, TS
- o bislenz user amounts
- Visit Finland survey about digitalization and data management
- (EU tourism dashboard digitalization index Helsinki)
- (Helsingin offeing in OTA-channels)

• Helsingin tekijät -operator network

- (Key numbers-dashboard)
- Helsingin tekijät -operator network (amount and type of members)
- Stakeholder communication
 - (LinkedIn analytics)
 - (Newsletter analytics)
 - (Hel.fi analytics)
 - Domestic media metrics
- Events -how many participants to evetns
- Library
- Data import
- Settings

Users

City of Helsinki
DMO and Helsinki Partners
Tourism Companies
Schools and Universities
Media
NGO's
Visit Finland
Etc.

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Q&A



Thank you!











Time for a break!



Smart Tourism Destinations – Peer Learning Session #1



TOURISM IMPACT MODEL MAJA PIŠKUR, Municipality of Postojna





The best innovation in Al and Data Analytics Award 2020



Golden plaquette for best innovation of North Primorska 2020

Our challenge

Tourism Impact Model (TIM) is an award-winning tool using real data to create an objective picture of the impact of tourism in a certain micro-location. It analyses different societal aspects: from environment, economy and culture to collaboration and produces an automatically generated report based on more than 300 indicators.

Municipality of Postojna was one of 3 pilot municipalities who went through the process of destination assessment.

This was a pilot action, thus we haven't defined any specific challenges at the beginning of the processs. We just follow our moto to create and promote a green and sustainable tourist destination.

Our solution

The TIM assessment tool allows an automatically generated report based on more than 300 indicators. INDICATORS:

- environment and space,
- public transportation,
- waste/water management,
- tourist visitors, ...
- TYPE OF DATA: statistic data, data form our own evidenc, financial data, ...
- Data sources: local stakeholders, local service providers, national statistics office, municipality data
- Procedures and skills involved: ADVANCED skills for finding data
- Partners (if any) Zavod Znanje Postojna, public institute, ARCTUR

new

AIR QUALITY Satellite data

Benefits

NEW INVESTMENTS:

- Traffic counters located at Postojna-Predjama = CO2 footprint measurement
- CO2 counters (to be implemented now just as a pilot)
- Mesuring system in ecological islands waste management
- Tourist tax direct implementation in the municipal yearly budget as a source of financing new investments GOAL: targeted sepending of the tourist tax

Lessons learned and replicability

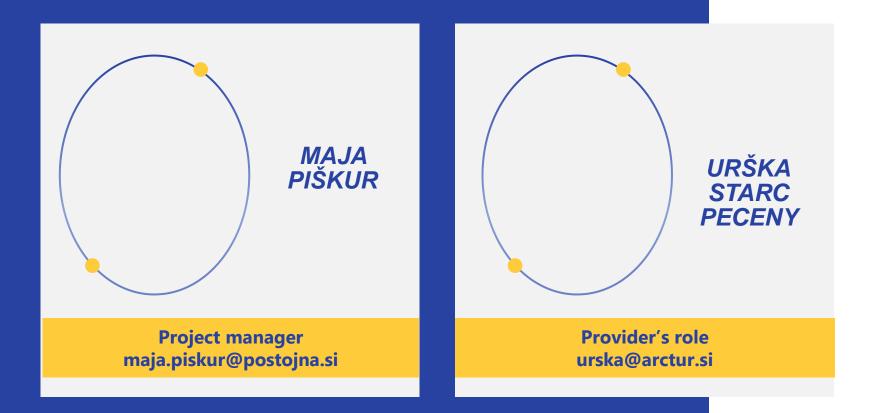
TIM ASSESSMENT

LONG TERM (TOURISM) DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

ACTION PLAN

Enhancement of Data acquisition systems Infrastructure development Supply chain optimisation Improved HRM Destination image improvements SDGs, ecology, sustainable ... actions

Contacts



In case you want to give to the audience the possibility to know more on your case, please provide here sources and/or references

Q&A



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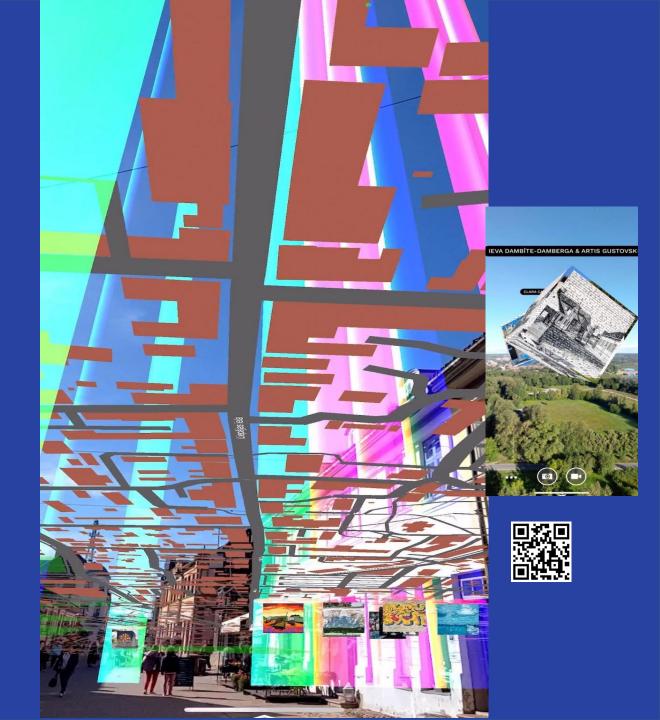
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Smart Tourism Destinations – Peer Learning Session #1

Metaverse AR Solutions in Smart Tourism Destinations Artis Gustovskis The Case of Kurzeme/Kuldiga





Our challenge

We have implemented a few AR Metaverse solutions for tourists in the city Kuldiga, but we wish

- to go further, **develop solution** deeper:
- we wish **exchange experience** with other Destinations:
- create the joint future projects in AR/VR/Metaverse + AI

Our solution

Describe the data-driven solution you have adopted to face the problem described in the previous slide. Remember to indicate:

- Augmented Reality APP (i.e. SAN app and ART+ app)
- Building **AR/VR solutions + Artifical Intelligence**





Benefits from AR Metaverse by AI

*Enhanced user experience: Metaverse solutions provide a unique and imm ersive experience to users. They enable users to interact with digital content in a more engaging and interactive way, leading to a more memorable and enjoyable experience.

*Increased engagement: Metaverse solutions can help businesses increase user engagement with their products or services. By providing a more interactive and personalized experience, users are more likely to spend time engaging with the content and coming back for more.

*Improved collaboration: Metaverse solutions allow users to collaborate and interact in a virtual environment, regardless of their physical location. This can be particularly useful for remote teams or individuals who need to work together on a project.

***New revenue streams**: Metaverse solutions can open up new revenue streams for businesses. For example, virtual storefronts can allow businesses to sell digital goods and services to users within the metaverse.

***Opportunities for innovation**: Metaverse solutions provide an opportunity for businesses to innovate and experiment with new ideas. By leveraging the latest technology and trends, businesses can create unique and compelling experiences for users.



Benefits

What objectives have you achieved?
Virtual information & galleries for tourists
Metaverse is about accesability for all 24/7 tourist inofrmation and all kind of AR/VR Tours for visitors

Future developments

- We wish **to enlarge it** together with other Smart Destinations

Mention any further activity for which you would like to match with partners - EU calls and **joint porjects**



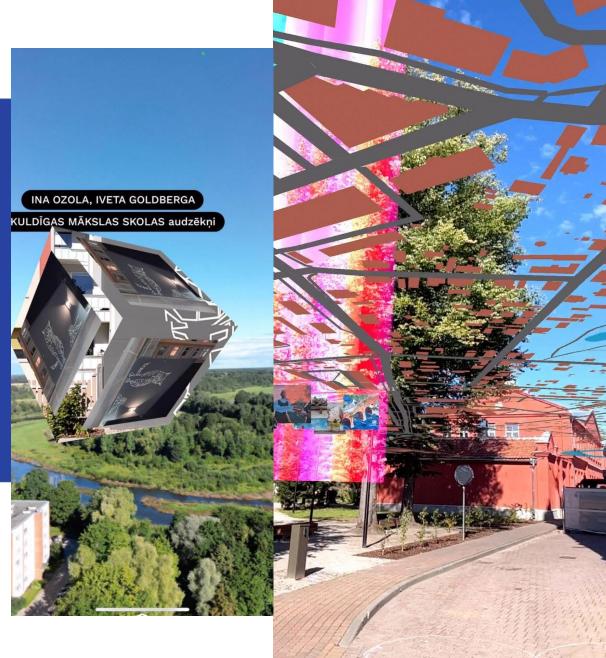
Who we are looking for

Why are you looking for partners?To enlarge our AR solutions and experience

What would you bring to the new team/collaboration?we hope it would be interesting for other destinations too

Which competences/skills are you looking for?- AR/VR/Metaverse incl. UnrealEngine and Unity experience

What would be the benefits for potential partners? -Joint EU projects especially because AR/VR/Metaverse is a one of the TRENDS and priorities of EU Tourism Towards 2030



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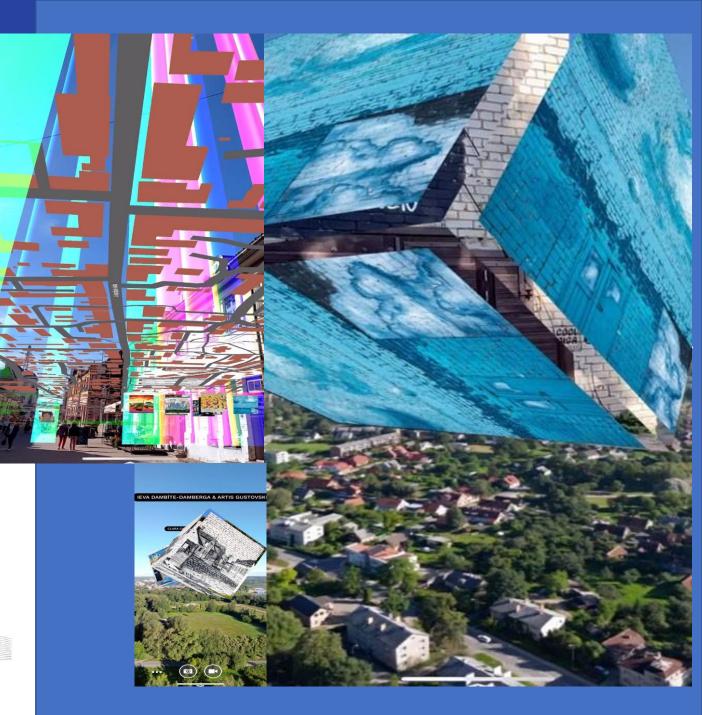


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Smart Tourism Destinations Project



Consultation on Smart Tourism recommendations





Key project phases

Study "Mastering data for tourism by EU destinations" (Phase 1)

3 phases



Completed (Mar 2021 – Mar 2022)

- Identify how tourism data is used
- Map **good practices** from around the world
- Launch an **Open Call** to recruit **10 experts**
- Launch an **Open Call** to involve **48 EU destinations**

Development of data mastering tools for EU destinations (Phase 2)



ONGOING (Apr 2022 – Jul 2023)

- Drafting of an 'EU Guide' and a 'Toolkit' for mastering data for EU destinations
- **Destination's Journey:** coaching and capacity building activities based on the tools developed
- Creation of a **Community of practice**

Recommendations for follow-up actions (Phase 3)

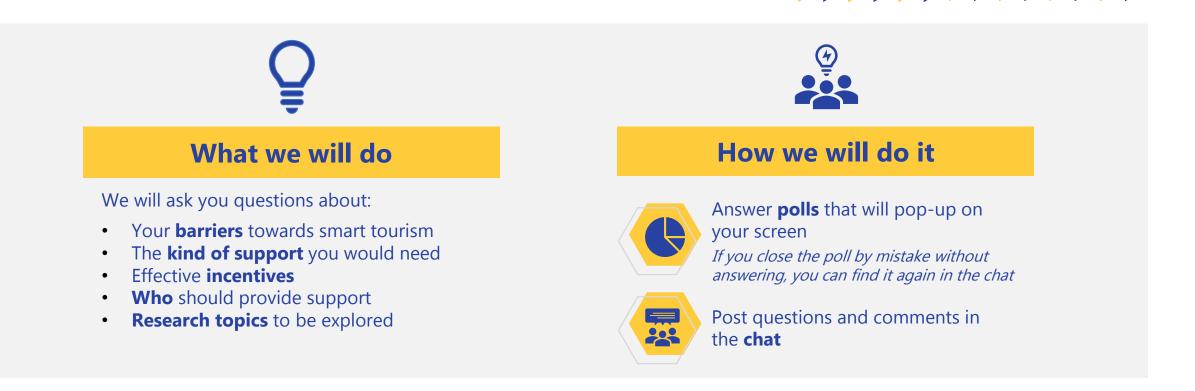


ONGOING (Jan 2023 – Aug 2023)

- Set of recommendations on future actions to support tourism ecosystem developing data management capabilities
- Final Event and project closure

Aim of the consultation

- We are drafting the project's **final recommendations** targeting the **European Commission**, the **EU Member States** and the destinations (especially the **Destination Management Organizations DMOs**)
- These recommendations should identify actions to initiate or enhance in the future to support tourism destinations developing data management capabilities
- To make **effective recommendations**, we would like to explore destinations' point of view



Question 1

Which are the main barriers to improve your tourism data management capabilities?

- Lack of funds
- Lack of available data infrastructure
- Difficulty in managing contracts/procurement/suppliers (data providers)
- Lack of data skills
- Lack of awareness of the importance of using data within the organisation
- Scarce stakeholders' awareness (policy level/other stakeholders)
- Lack of inspiring examples/best practices of the use of data
- Difficulty in setting the boundaries between tourism sector and connected sectors (e.g. mobility, cultural heritage...) creating issues to governance and mandate



How to



Rank the option in **descending order** of importance (1° position = most important)



Question 2

Which type of support would you need for developing your approach towards data management for tourism?

- Support for the development of competencies (trainings, coaching...)
- Awareness raising campaigns targeting relevant stakeholders (knowledge sharing)
- Additional funds
- Enhanced availability/accessibility of data or infrastructure



How to



Rank the option in **descending order** of importance (1° position = most important)



Question 3

Which is the most effective incentive to enhance tourism data management capabilities of your destination?

- Competition among destinations at EU or national level (e.g., awards, prices, rankings...)
- Obligations (e.g., compulsory requirements for receiving funds/applying to projects, EU and national laws...)
- Soft incentives (e.g., availability of free supporting materials, data, info-sessions, etc...)

How to



Single choice: choose **only** the preferred option



Question 4

The most effective support should be provided by...

- Your Member State (tourism ministry or other institution at national/federal level)
- European Commission
- Your Region (public administration at regional level)
- Service providers (private sector)
- Other \rightarrow Specify in chat



How to



Single choice: choose **only** the preferred option



If you chose **«other**», please specify your idea in the **chat**



Question 5

The European Commission finances **research and innovation projects** in different fields through different programmes, such as the Horizon Europe program and Digital Europe Program. Member States do the same – through different programmes depending on the country.

Applied or basic research activities could enhance innovation in the tourism sector, including the digitalisation of the sector and the better use of data within it.

What research areas would require further initiatives and investment to address future challenges?



How to



Open question: write your idea in the **chat** and speak up when the moderator calls!



- Post your suggestions in the **chat**, you can also *like* other's ideas
- If the moderator calls you, you can **unmute your microphone**

Smart Tourism Destinations Project



Materials for you! Antonio Peláez Verdet – University of Malaga





Materials available for you



Study "Mastering data for tourism by EU destinations"

Knowledge base on how data is being used by destinations and other actors in the tourism industry



EU Guide on data for tourism destinations

A concise guide to disseminate the basic concepts on data management for smart tourism

All EU languages



Mastering Data: A Toolkit for Tourism Destinations New

A toolkit for mastering data, describing how to improve destination's smart tourism capacities

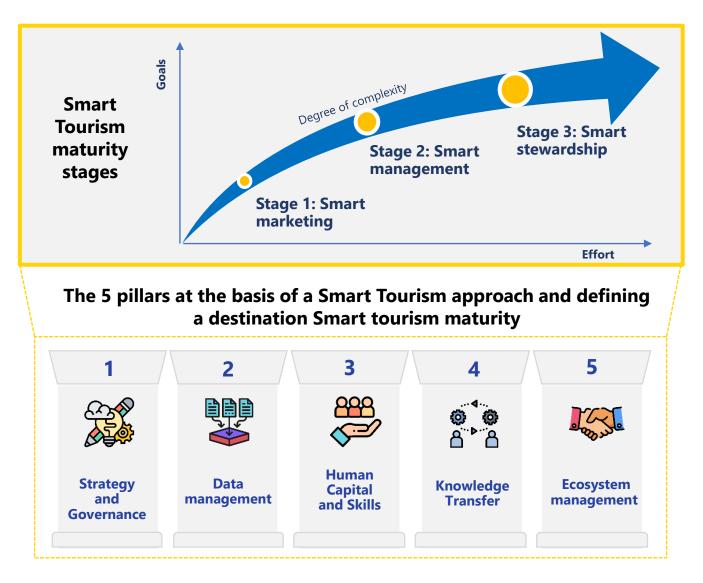
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Key concepts of the Toolkit: the maturity model and the pillars of a Smart Tourism approach



Our Smart Tourism **maturity model** and the **underlying key pillars** provide the **analytical framework of the Toolkit and for our upcoming activities** within the Destination's Journey.

For **each pillar**, in the Toolkit you will find:

- A description of the key attributes of a Smart Tourism Destination, depending on its maturity, to support you defining your goals and develop your roadmap.
- ✓ A list of initial concrete tips, tools and resources, to support you getting Smart(er)

How to use the toolkit



A tool for you

You can then refer to the toolkit to **prepare for our different**

activities and find initial guidance, including tips on how to conduct the self-assessment, start defining your roadmap, and on useful resources to improve under each pillar.



Our support

Our webinars, workshops, and coaching activities will further expand and build upon the contents of the toolkit.

If while reading the toolkit you feel you are missing some background information, do not forget to check also the **Guide on Data Mastering**!



Let's work together

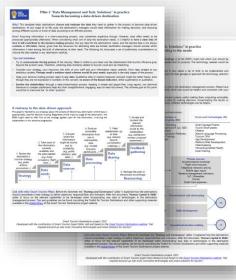
As we progress through our activities, do not hesitate to share your feedback with us!

If there is something in the toolkit that captures your attention, let us know and we can further explore this in our activities. In the same way, we will be happy to clarify questions and doubts and cover additional topics that you feel are missing.

Materials available for you – Pillars in practice









How to use the Pillars in practice



Ready to use

The "Pillars in practice" docs are **guided templates** to carry out practical tasks toward the definition of the smart tourism roadmap.



Complementary materials

10 of these tools are being developed, providing practical guidance on how to address some of the topics of the Smart Tourism Pillars

In order to better understand the context of each "Pillar in practice", read the **Toolkit** and watch the **Webinars** available on our website

One example...



Pillar 2 "Data Management and Tech. Solutions" in practice Towards becoming a data-driven destination

Why? This template helps destinations **choose and evaluate the data** they need to gather in the process to become data-driven destinations. At any stage of its life cycle, the destination's managers would need information for making decisions, and choosing among different sources or kinds of data, according to an efficient process.

How? Acquiring information is a time-consuming process, only sometimes expensive though. However, data often needs to be processed appropriately afterwards. When considering what sort of data the destination needs, it is helpful to have a clear idea of how it will contribute to the decision-making process. Not any data fits the destinations' needs, and the desired data is not always available or affordable. Hence, given that the resources for allocating data are limited, destination managers should wonder which information is best among the bulk of alternatives at their reach. The following list showcases a set of preliminary considerations to choose the data needed in any destination carefully.

Tips and Guidelines

- Try to communicate the big picture of the industry. Make it visible to your team and the stakeholders that tourism influence goes beyond the evident cases. Therefore, collecting data indirectly related to tourism could also be interesting.
- Consider your strategy, your resources, the skills of your staff and your information needs carefully. Don't leap straight to too
 ambitious models. Perhaps small o medium-sized schemes would fit your needs, especially in the early stages of the process.
- Keep your decision-making process open to any data. Qualitative data or indirect measures (proxies) might be rather handy, even though they are not expressed in numbers. In this concern, be aware of the biased indicators, either quantitative or qualitative.
- Involve the stakeholders through a data-dissemination process, keeping it simple and jargon-free. Long reports, too technical literature or complex dashboards help less than straightforward, engaging, easy-to-read documents. The ultimate goal at this point would be to overcome the "so what" question.

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	2. Take stock of the information	might be stored, and its	data (e.a. models.	reports, coordination meetings)	assessment)
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(e.g. goals, actions,	slots)	Data	processing		
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Link with other Smart Tourism Pillars: Before this factsheet, the 'Strategy and Governance' (pillar 1) explained how the destinations should consolidate a clear strategy to define objectives, responsibilities and indicators. After this document, "Human Capital & Skills" (pillar 2) focus on the relevant capabilities to be developed when incorporating new data or technologies in the destination management process. Tips and guidelines can be found consulting the Toolkit for Tourism Destinations and other supporting materials available in the digital library of the Smart Tourism Destinations project website.

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Pillar 2 "Data Management and Tech. Solutions" in practice Towards becoming a data-driven destination

Instructions: This template can help align the destination strategy with the data the DMO needs to make decisions. Along with it, the available data should be provided by identified sources, processed and shared. On top of that, the outcomes should generate feedback that the DMO should collect from the destination stakeholders.

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Indicator	Data associated	Data source	м	A	U

DATA PROCESSING (The techniques for processing or refining the raw or intermediate data should be carried out by)						
Data	Technique	Periodicity	Responsible			

DATA SHAR	ING	FEEDBACK GATHERING		
Stakeholder	Data	Gathering technique	Periodicity	

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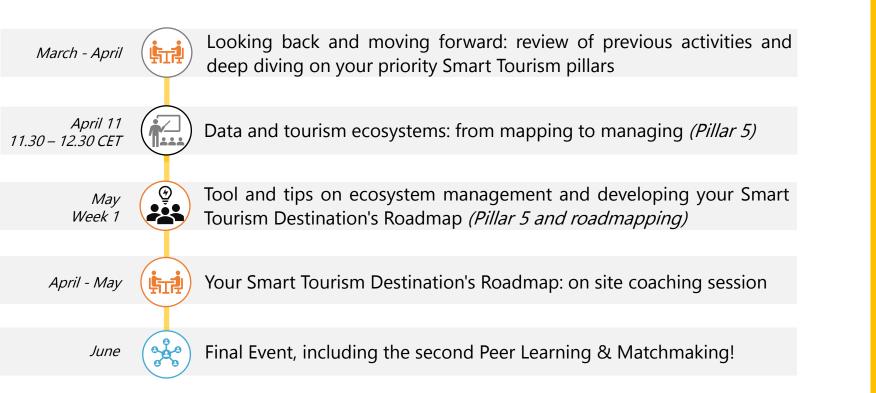


Closing remarks





Next events



Key info:

- Selected Destinations have the possibility to organise other two coaching session. Get in touch with your Smart Tourism Coach and arrange the sessions!
- The Project's Final Event is currently being organised and will be an opportunity for destinations to meet each other in person to share common knowledge and practices. Stay tuned for news!





Check our website for *materials and updates* <u>https://smarttourismdestinations.eu/</u>

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Thank you!





