

# **European Data Space for Tourism**

#Blueprint • Towards a secure and trusted tourism data space, ensuring transparent control of data access, use and re-use.



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# **Governance and business model**

The European Tourism Data Space (ETDS) is a secure platform designed to accelerate the digital transformation of the European tourism industry. It will enable tourism stakeholders, particularly SMEs, to access and utilize a wide range of data to make informed decisions, enhance their competitiveness, personalize their offerings, and build stronger relationships with travellers.

# Key benefits of the ETDS include:

- Accelerate the digitalisation process for tourism stakeholders, particularly local authorities and SMEs.
- Data-driven decision-making to improve competitiveness and personalize offerings.
- Knowledge exchange and relationship building among tourism stakeholders.
- Secure ecosystem for data from hundreds of destinations and thousands of SMEs.
- Enhanced traveller interaction through personalized communication across multiple channels.
- Support for Smart and Sustainable Tourism Destinations.
- Strengthened tourism data economy.
- Ecosystem of common services for deploying applications and enabling data exchange.
- Adherence to key design principles: trust, data sovereignty, federation, participatory governance, interoperability, flexibility, security, quality control, and openness.

# Energizing the European Tourism Data Space

# **Advantages of ETDS:**

- 1. Lower data access costs through a competitive data marketplace.
- 2. Promote open data models for public entities and enable data monetization.
- 3. Standardize use cases to streamline data collection and consistent quality.

# **Strategic Pillars for ETDS Success**

#### **Convergence**

 Analyze European data initiatives, policies, and legislation • Evaluate stakeholders' perceptions, resources, and potential costs • Determine the optimal governance structure and technical solution.

### **Deployment**

■ Establish a robust governance structure and secure funding ■ Simplify onboarding processes and minimize participation costs ■ Prioritize compatibility with other sectoral data spaces ■ Address organizational factors (social capital, skillsets, governmental support, and competitive pressures) ■ Align with the Transition Pathway for Tourism and the European Strategy for Data.

#### **Awareness**

Promote ETDS awareness, effectively communicating its long-term vision and tangible benefits 
Highlight the ETDS's advantages in data access and sharing.

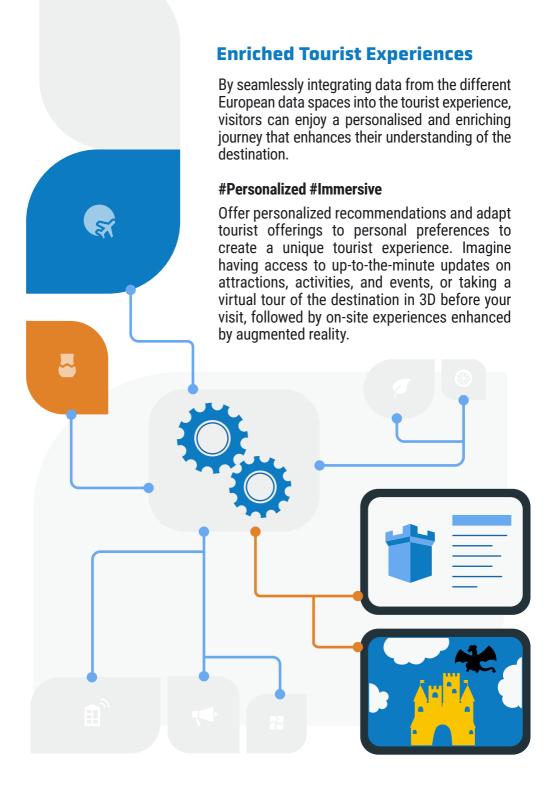
Ensure compatibility with existing practices and user expectations
Simplify the ETDS to enhance user-friendliness and adoption
Provide trial opportunities for stakeholders
Showcase the observable benefits of using the ETDS.

#### **Standardization**

Establish clear standards for data formats, types, and collection methods
Define these standards in the ETDS rulebook, ensuring interoperability
Continuously re-evaluate the applicability of standards in line with market trends and technological advancements.

#### **Experimentation**

• Foster continuous experimentation to identify promising use cases and explore market opportunities • Adapt to evolving user needs, environmental factors, and technological advancements • Utilize the ETDS as a catalyst for innovation within the European tourism sector.





ETDS seamlessly integrates data sources to orchestrate tourist flows and enhance visitor experiences while preserving destination authenticity.

The ETDS will revolutionize the European tourism industry by promoting digitization, data-driven decisions, knowledge sharing, and sustainable practices, empowering tourism stakeholders to thrive in the digital era and deliver enhanced experiences for travellers.













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