

## Annex d. Definition of topics.

### 1. Resilience - Risk management, education, and planning

Refers to its ability to adapt and grow despite challenges, remaining competitive and sustainable in the long term. For a tourism company, this means overcoming adversity while staying flexible and innovative.

Risk management is a process of identifying, assessing, and mitigating potential threats to an organization. It involves:

- **Identifying Risks:** Recognizing threats like financial instability, legal issues, and natural disasters.
- **Assessing Risks:** Analysing the likelihood and impact of these threats.
- **Mitigating Risks:** Developing strategies to minimize or control these risks.

Effective risk management helps organizations ensure continuity, reduce costs, and improve long-term success.

In tourism, **digital and technological adaptation** involves integrating modern tools like mobile apps, online booking systems, and AI to improve operations and customer experience. **Cybersecurity** protects data and prevents financial losses while ensuring regulatory compliance.

**Process digital transformation** improves operational efficiency, customer experience, and data-driven decision-making, fostering company agility.

**Energy and resource management platforms** enhance resilience by optimizing energy use and increasing adaptability to disruptions.

Investing in **customer engagement apps** personalizes experiences, increasing customer satisfaction and loyalty.

**Green technologies** reduce operational costs over time and support sustainability, contributing to long-term resilience.

**Natural disaster management** ensures preparedness, response, and recovery strategies to minimize the impact on people, property, and the environment.

### 2. Responsible and diversified tourism offerings, challenges seasonality, social impact (overtourism)

A comprehensive approach aimed at reducing the negative impacts of seasonality and overtourism while promoting sustainability, social responsibility, and local economic resilience.

Key aspects include:

- **Diversification:** Developing a variety of tourism products and experiences — cultural, naturebased, off-season, and local — to reduce dependence on a single market or season, and create stable, year-round demand.
- **Sustainability practices:** Integrating circular economy principles, sustainable purchasing, ecofriendly infrastructure, and carbon footprint reduction to minimise environmental impact and build long-term resilience.
- **Social responsibility and community integration:** Engaging local communities through partnerships, cultural respect, local sourcing, and co-creation of tourism experiences, ensuring that benefits are fairly distributed.
- **Management of tourism flows:** Planning and regulating visitor flows to avoid overcrowding, protect natural and cultural resources, and improve the overall visitor experience.
- **Awareness and training:** Educating tourists about sustainable practices and training staff to deliver inclusive, high-quality services that align with responsible tourism values.
- **Regenerative tourism orientation:** Going beyond sustainability by actively restoring ecosystems, empowering communities, and fostering deeper, more meaningful connections between visitors and destinations.

### 3. Management of tourism offerings and visitor flows

Effective management of tourism offerings and visitor flows is essential to ensure balanced destination use, protect local resources, and enhance visitor satisfaction. It involves strategic planning, operational flexibility, and innovation to respond to both challenges and opportunities in real time.

Key components include:

- **Adaptability:** The capacity to rapidly respond to changes in market conditions, demand patterns, regulations, or unexpected events such as health crises. Flexible planning ensures continuity and resilience.
- **Innovation:** Integration of new technologies and service models to improve visitor experience, streamline operations, manage crowds, and personalise tourism products.
- **Liquidity strategies:** Implementing financial and operational measures to maintain business stability during off-peak or crisis periods — including diversification of offerings, dynamic pricing, seasonal workforce planning, and access to emergency funding.

### 4. Resilience and sustainability training for the mid- and top-management level (data, skills)

A continuous capacity-building programme aimed at mid- and top-level management to strengthen leadership, strategic thinking, and risk management skills. The training integrates sustainability and resilience principles with practical tools such as business intelligence (BI) for data-driven

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decisionmaking. It enhances the preparedness of key personnel to anticipate, assess, and respond to emerging challenges, ensuring long-term organisational adaptability and competitive advantage in the tourism sector.

## 5. How to create campaigns to raise awareness (preservation of heritage, climate actions)

Awareness campaigns are strategic efforts designed to educate and engage the public around key issues such as cultural heritage preservation and climate action. In tourism, these campaigns can inspire more responsible travel behaviours and strengthen the identity and values of destinations.

To be effective, awareness campaigns should be built as part of a broader marketing strategy, which defines the value proposition, core messaging, audience segmentation, and the use of the four Ps: product, price, place, and promotion.

### Key elements of a successful awareness campaign:

- **Clear objectives:** Define the specific change in knowledge, attitudes, or behaviour you aim to achieve (e.g., increased support for heritage conservation or lower carbon impact from tourism).
- **Target audience:** Identify the groups whose awareness or behaviour you want to influence (locals, tourists, businesses, youth, etc.).
- **Compelling storytelling:** Use emotional and authentic narratives that connect people with the issue and the place.
- **Engaging content:** Create multimedia materials (videos, infographics, articles, social media posts) that are accessible, shareable, and informative.
- **Multi-channel promotion:** Disseminate the message through relevant platforms — social media, websites, local media, visitor centres, events.
- **Partnerships and local involvement:** Work with local communities, businesses, schools, or influencers to broaden reach and credibility.
- **Monitoring and feedback:** Track impact and adjust strategies to improve effectiveness over time.

## 6. Accessibility

Ensures that tourism experiences are inclusive and available to everyone, regardless of physical, sensory, or cognitive abilities. Making tourism accessible not only improves the experience for people with disabilities but also expands market potential and promotes equity and inclusion.

### Key elements include:

- **Accessibility Plan:** Developing a structured plan covering barrier-free infrastructure, accessible transport, inclusive activities, clear information and communication, emergency procedures, and feedback systems.

- **Accessibility Assessment:** Conducting self-assessments helps organisations understand diverse client needs, ensure legal compliance, improve service quality, and build a strong, inclusive brand identity.
- **Accessible Tourism Chain:** Guaranteeing accessibility throughout the entire travel experience — from booking to transport, accommodation, and activities — to avoid service gaps that may become barriers for users.
- **Staff Training:** Training employees to meet accessibility standards improves service, ensures legal compliance, enhances safety, and promotes a culture of inclusion and fairness.
- **Accessibility Compliance Awareness:** Understanding and applying regulations and standards that ensure services, environments, and communications are truly accessible to all.