



Sustainable Tourism Perspectives for Islands

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Dear Colleagues,

Islands represent a special cluster, such as an independent state from member countries, with peculiar features in terms of local economy and development dynamics. Local development is more often dependent on the tourism sector and connected activities. However, tourism can bring not only development and growth but also negative effects on the local environment and residents. Because of this, the positive and negative aspects of economic development based on the tourism sector need to be taken care of and driven towards long-term wellbeing.

Thus, we need to consider a sustainable development approach based on quantitative and qualitative indicators, a wide awareness about the need to preserve and valorise local resources and the right cooperative strategies among tourism industry operators. We also need to consider the future tendencies of island development based on tourism.

We encourage researchers to highlight advances, best practices, forecasting analysis, questions and any other issue related to this topic in order to encourage a fruitful scientific debate and exchange.

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