

Climate Change and Tourism in Europe

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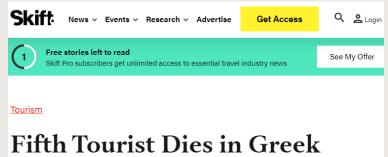
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## **Tourism depends on** predictable weather patterns

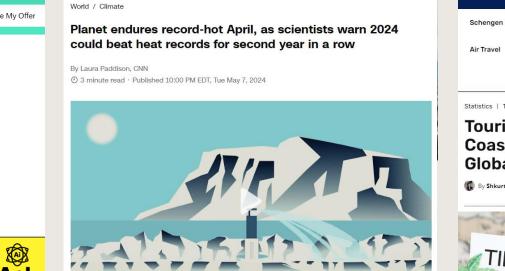
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#### Heatwave - Can European **Destinations Do More to Prepare?**

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**Tourists to Shift From Europe's Southern Coastal Regions to Northern Coast Due to Global Warming** 

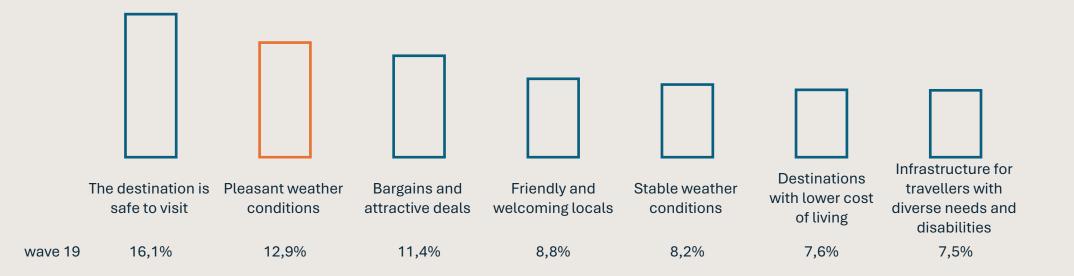




# Most important criteria for choosing a holiday destination in Europe

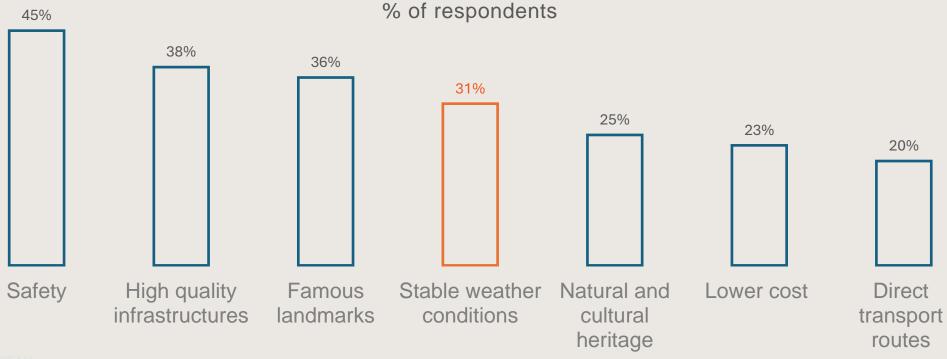


ETC Monitoring Sentiment For Domestic and Intra-European Travel (June-November 2024)



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ETC Long-Haul Travel Sentiment Index, May-August 2024





# The future of travel in the midst of climate change

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Adaptation strategies

Brand reputation management

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#### Future travel planning behaviour in Europe

Different seasonality patterns

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Change in activities within the same destination

Northern destinations could gain demand as their climate becomes more temperate



The Netherlands

## The Road to Climate-Neutral Tourism



Reality check

Innovation alone is not a magic bullet

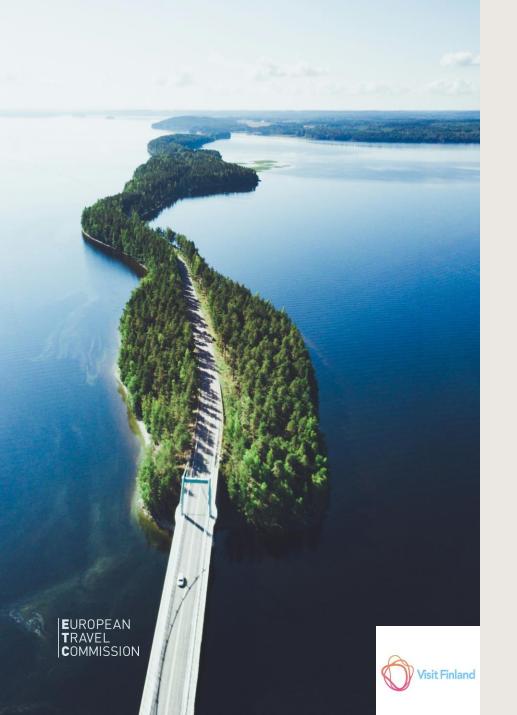
Consumers and business owners need help

We need boldness and leadership

Action-oriented framework

Take ownership

Network approach



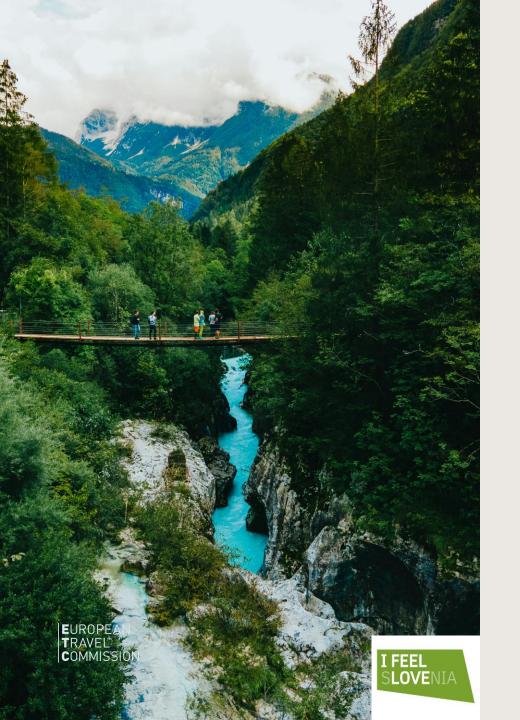
Finland

### **Measure and report**



#### Eco-Efficiency Index

Emissions vs Expenditure



Slovenia

### **Adaptation Strategy**



Risks and vulnerabilities

Stresses the need for tourism to be involved in broader national climate change adaptation strategy

## Holistic approach

Direct impacts (e.g. temperature increase)

Indirect impacts (e.g. expected increase of tourism impacts on biodiversity due to the prolonged summer season)

## ACT NOW

Climate change is an existential threat to the tourism industry.

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are great tools to implement meaningful changes when inserted into a broader strategy for climate-friendly tourism.

## Focus on ADAPTATION



## **Crises in Tourism: Report and Checklist**

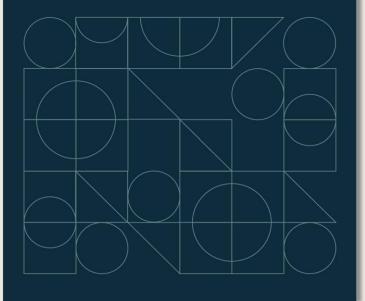
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Crisis Management Checklist for National Tourism Organisations EUROPEAN TRAVEL COMMISSION

Brussels, September 2024 ETC Market Intelligence Report





# Thank you for your attention



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