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TOPICS

Integrating Heritage Preservation and Sustainable Tourism Development

Community-Led Revitalisation of Cultural Landmarks

Technological Innovations in Cultural Tourism

Cultural Heritage, Shared Identities and Cross-Cultural Exchange

Environmental and Conflict-Related Threats to Cultural Heritage

IMPORTANT DATES



Conference Announcement 09/01/2025



Deadline for Abstract Submission 08/02/2025



Abstract Acceptance Notice 16/02/2025



Deadline for Full-Paper Submission 20/04/2025



Conference Days 27-28/05/2025

AIMS

Discovering strategies to balance safeguarding historical and archaeological sites with growing tourism demands by minimising environmental and cultural detriment while maximising economic and educational benefits, emphasising policy frameworks, urban planning and stakeholder collaboration for sustainable heritage tourism.

➤ Researching the significance of intangible cultural heritage, as festivals, exhibitions and re-enactments, in raising awareness, revitalising cultural sites and creating economic opportunities.

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Researching the role of local communities in fostering resilience and proposing practical, innovative solutions for the protection and preservation of endangered historical and archaeological heritage by leveraging technologies for monitoring, documenting and mitigating risks.

AIMS

- Exploring the role of cultural heritage in shaping shared cultural and national identities.
- Researching the impact of new technologies such as virtual and augmented reality, digital storytelling on the preservation and development of tangible and intangible cultural heritage as well as on the sustainable development of tourism.
- Investigating the impact of applicable laws and regulations on the protection of archaeological and historical sites.
- Examining the potential of cultural tourism to foster cross-cultural understanding, highlighting its role in preserving genocide memory and safeguarding minority heritage.
- Investigating the impact of environmental factors, war and human-induced conflicts on the deterioration of cultural sites and artefacts.













