Tourism Impact Model - TIM

Tourism Impact Model (TIM) is a comprehensive tool for modelling and optimisation of the tourism impact on a local ecosystem through fostering collaboration between different stakeholders. It enables assessment of the impact of tourism on different societal aspects (Environment, Economy, Culture, Health, Education etc.) in order to reach sustainable development in a specific geographical area by following the UN Sustainable
Development Goals

Search for the true impact of Tourism



Local inhabitants, tourist service providers, authorities ... every stakeholder has its own subjective perception of the reality. TIM brings **real data in the perception of the impact of tourism** to sharpen the real picture for everyone and allow data driven strategic planning.

The benefits for a destination



- Built-in transparency and inclusion of local inhabitants in strategic planning.
- Supervised collecting of data from various sources and their transformation into valuable information.
- Real picture of the whole spectrum of positive and negative impacts of tourism based on real data.
- Complex concepts made simple and understandable through visualisation of results and sets of recommendations for improvements.
- Dynamic real data simulations of possible scenarios for quick and competent response in all situations.

How it works



The process is supervised by TIM Certified Consultants and includes the following steps:



Definition of the most appropriate geographical micro-areas within the destination



Mapping the data sources



Completing the questionnaire and launching the AAT

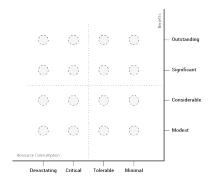


Validation of the results and detailed recommendations by experts (optional)

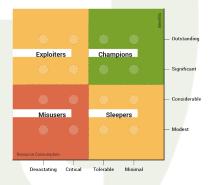
Easy to understand results with **Destination Character Chart™**



Destination Character Chart is a tool for visualisation of the destination character, summarising values of hundreds of indicators grouped into a 3-dimensional matrix combining: Positive impact of tourism (Benefits), negative impact of tourism (Resource consumption) and General conditions of the destination.

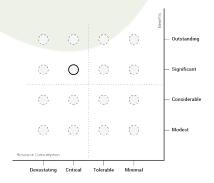


Benefits are represented on Y axis (from 1 to 4), Resource consumption on X axis (from -1 to -4), all together we have 16 (4x4) possible positions.

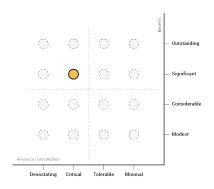


There are 4 different groups of primary characters, each containing 4 positions:

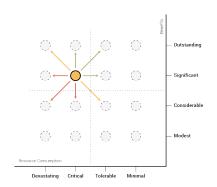
- Champions (high benefits, low resource consumption)
- Sleepers (low benefits, low resource consumption)
- **Exploiters** (high benefits, high resource consumption)
- Misusers (low benefits, high resource consumption)



Each destination is placed in **one of 16 positions** according to the given answers.



The third dimension, representing the **General** condition of the destination, is the colour of the position: it can be green (excellent), yellow (middle) or red (bad).



As many questions contain an additional answer where values for the near future are estimated, a trend where the specific destination is heading is presented in a form of a vector: the green arrows are good, heading towards the better positions (sustainable directions), yellow are neutral while red ones are heading towards the bad impact and should be avoided.



The final result is a combination of a position in 3-dimensional matrix (X, Y and colour) and a trend vectors, showing past position (if available from previous assessment) and the current trend of development (estimations for the future). The final name of the destination character is a combination of past and present positions, as well as trends.

For example: Sustainable champion (positive trends in the past and in a future, Champion quadrant and excellent general condition)

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