

Promotion of Europe as a Destination

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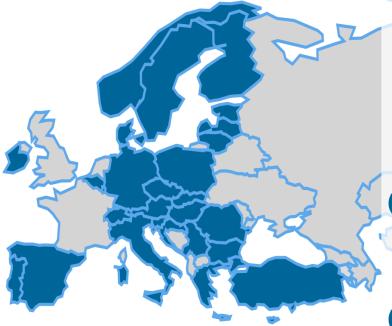
















61% of international tourist arrivals 62% of direct contribution to GDP



MISSION

Strengthen the sustainable development of Europe as a tourist destination and to increase competitiveness, through knowledge gathering and sharing amongst members and lobbying as well as by establishing a professional marketing platform for the successful promotion of member countries in overseas markets.

MEMBERS

33 National Tourist Organisations (NTOs) in Europe.



ETC is responsible for the promotion of Europe as a tourist destination.









































































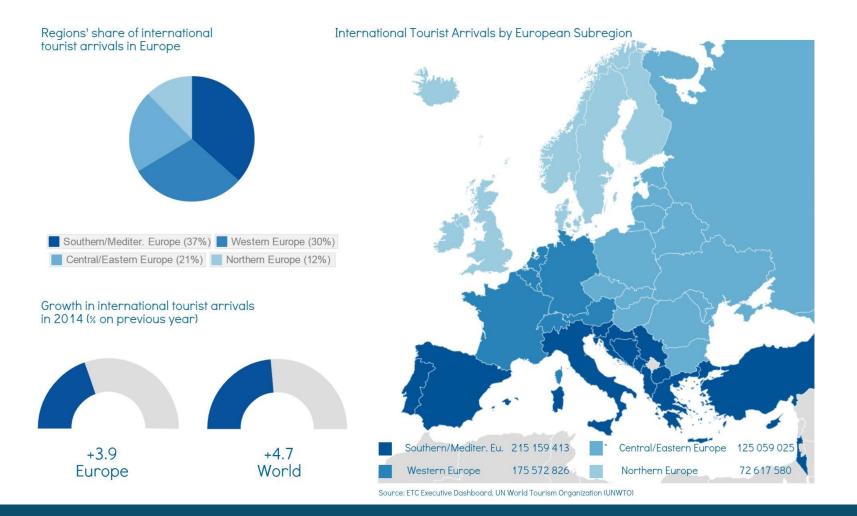




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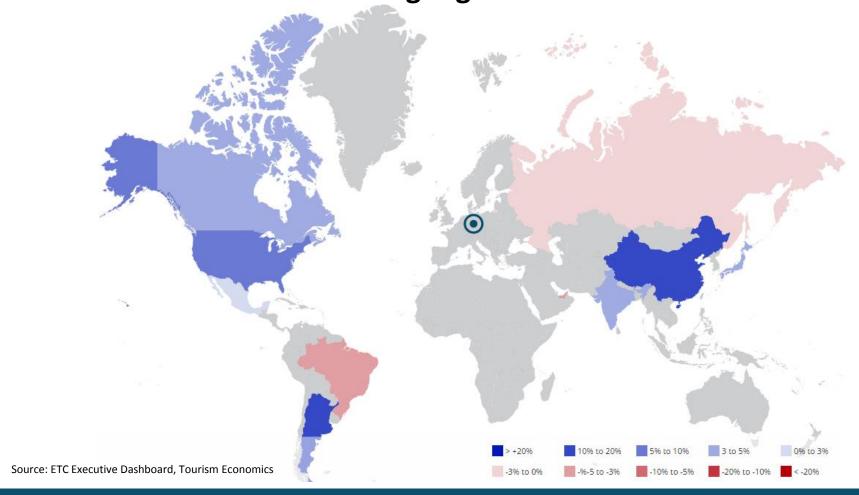
Europe recorded 588 million international tourist arrivals in 2014







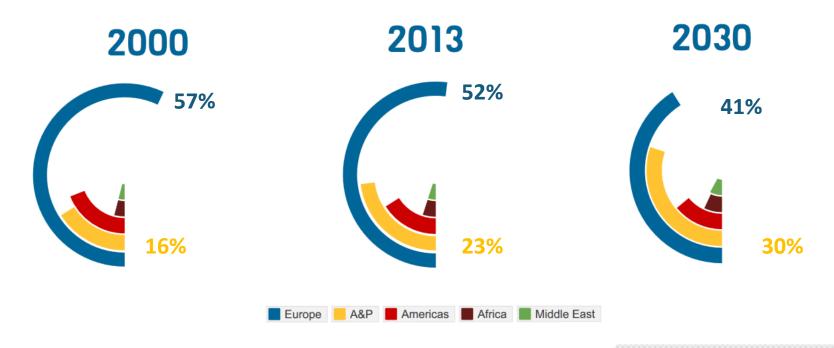
Long-haul markets led growth in 2014, on top of a strong regional market







International tourist arrivals are forecast to grow but Europe's market share will reduce by 10% by 2030



Asia and the Pacific will capture the majority of the new arrivals in 2030, largely intra-regional.

Source: World Tourism Organization (UNWTO), Tourism Towards 2030 $\,$





Branding Europe Vs. Joint Promotion



The Meaning of Travel and

the Perception of Europe as Travel Destination











What the Brazilian blogosphere is saying about Europe

























Destination Europe



Inspiration

- Emotional connection
 - ties spurred by movies, music, literature and online content
- Collection of pan-European experiences not countries
- A must-see destination

Capitalise on delights and eliminate barriers

- Quality infrastructure
- Diversity
- Safe
- Legal and perceptual barriers

Pan-European Themes

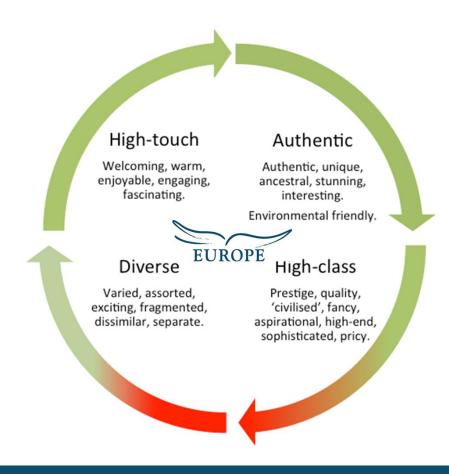
- History, culture, heritage
- Gastronomy
- Health and wellbeing
- Sporting activities
- Religious tourism
- Shopping





Destination Europe:

Promotion of values and USPs







Destination Europe:

Raising awareness and satisfaction among long-haul travellers

- ✓ Identification of visitors' perception of Europe thru market research:
- Promoting what travellers want rather than what sellers prescribe
- Promoting what is developed and develop which is demanded

√ Tackle and eliminate perceptual barriers









Destination Europe:

Promoting with a Pan- European approach

Foster Europe's USPs through pan-European product development

market mix

product development

competitiveness

Established and emerging markets

Segmentation

Pan-European experiences

Raising awareness for less-known destinations

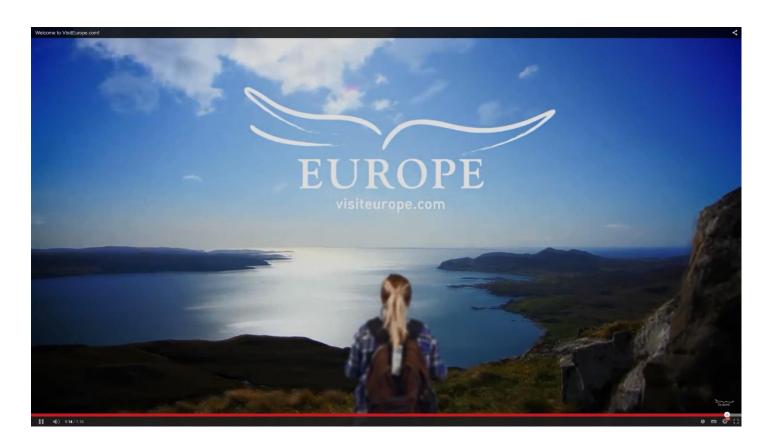
Public-private partnerships

Promotion of "Destination Europe"





The pan-European experience: VisitEurope.com







Final remarks











Thank you for your attention!

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