

# DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION OF THE SLOVENIAN TOURISM

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## Slovenian Tourist Board

National tourism organisation, which promotes tourist offer of Slovenia in foreign markets and assures sustainable development of Slovenian tourism.





## COMMITMENT TO RESPONSIBLE, GREEN AND SAFE TOURISM IN SLOVENIA



## Traveler Traveler

#### Slovenian among 10 sustainable destinations to visit in 2021

"This compact Central European country, with its chocolate-box mountain scenery and medieval fairy-tale villages, punches above its weight in the conservation stakes."



#### Independent: why the Vipava Valley should be top of your Slovenian travel bucket list

"It's a sublime example of why this idyllic region of Slovenia, 50 minutes from the capital Ljubljana, is making a name in the world of tourism."

## **Forbes**

#### Slovenia on a 8 Bucket-List Vacations For Wine Lovers

"Awarded European Region of Gastronomy for 2021, Slovenia is the underrated country that should be on every oenophile's radar for this year and beyond."



#### Slovenia The best holiday destination for 2021

"Michelin-starred food and oldworld wine make this an exciting up-and-comer."



#### Juliana Trail named one of the best hiking routes in 2021

"Juliana Trail is poised to show off the country's more rugged and charmingly rural side as it carves its way through the Julian Alps before passing by remote villages and ice-blue glacial lakes."



#### National Geographic: a chef's guide to Slovenia, the culinary destination for 2021

"Chef Ana Roš has become something of a de facto food ambassador for Slovenia, championing the zero-kilometre policy at which the country excels from her restaurant Hiša Franko."



#### Slovenia listed among 10 best foodie holidays for 2021

"Slovenia may seem like a culinary curveball, but don't write off this rising star with its medieval and imaginative Michelin-starred dining."



#### Slovenia is "The eco-friendly destination to visit in 2021"

"Its eco-credentials include the capital of Ljubljana being anointed Europe's Greenest Capital in 2016 by the EU and that was the year it also became the world's first 'Green' country."

## **Forbes**

### Slovenia among the 20 best places to travel in 2021

"It's a top destination for 2021, thanks to leading by example in areas like sustainable tourism."



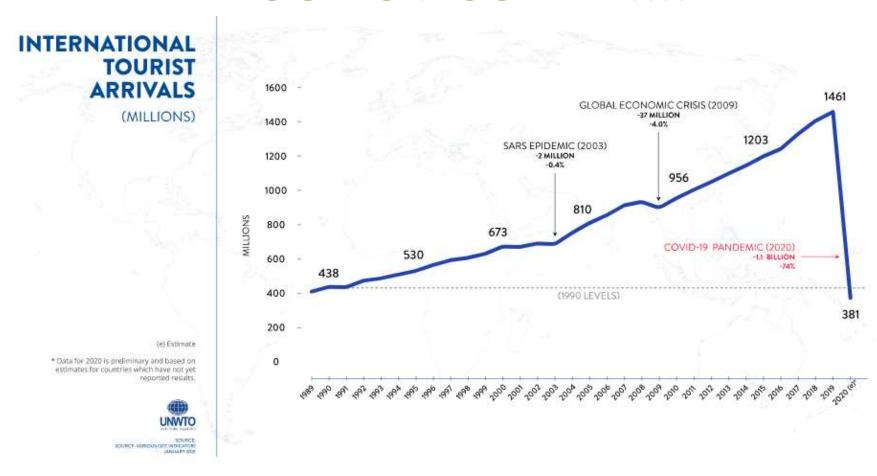
#### Slovenia listed as a destination to go in 2021

"On Fridays, Odprta Kuhna (Open Kitchen) in Ljubljana would normally take over part of the square and as many as 20,000 people would descend on a pop-up food fair with dozens of stalls selling everything from sauerkraut and Kranj sausage to šmorn."





# COVID-19 IS THE WORST CRISIS IN TOURISM SO FAR....



Source: UNWTO, 2021



### STRONG GROWTH OF SLOVENIAN TOURISM IN 2019



15,77 mio
OVERNIGHT STAYS TOTAL
+ 0,5 %

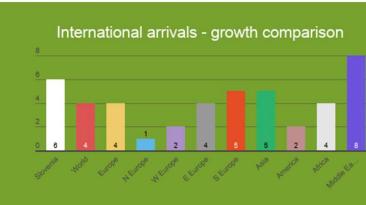
11,37 mio
FOREIGN + 1,7 %

4,40 mio
DOMESTIC - 2,5 %

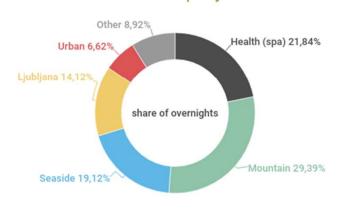
TOURISM EXPORT

2,75 mrd EUR
+ 1,8 %

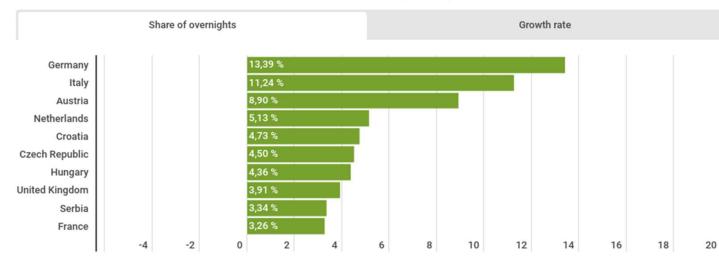
January - December 2019



## Share of overnight stays by type of municipality



#### Markets ranged by share of overnight stays and growth rate



source: SORS. BS. UNWTO dashboard



#### NEW REALITY

**SLOVENIAN**TOURISM IN 2020

Marked by the outbreak of COVID-19



3,06 mio -50,8 %

1,21 mio

**1,84 mio** DOMESTIC + 21,0 %



**3,35 mio** FOREIGN -70,5 %

**5,85 mio** DOMESTIC + 32,8 %

TOURISM EXPORT 1,08 bil EUR

- 60,7 %

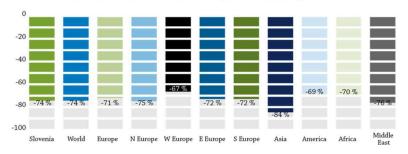
### MARKETS RANGED BY SHARE OF OVERNIGHT STAYS AND GROWTH/DECLINE RATE



#### SHARE OF OVERNIGHT STAYS BY TYPE OF MUNICIPALITY



#### International arrivals growth comparison







#### **MARKET** adjustment

- New markets

   (domestic, nearby markets)
- Campaign My
   Slovenia for domestic market
- New segmentation

# Adjustment of PROMOTION

- Digital campaign, social media
- TV campaign, printed media, OOH

# Redefinition of MESSAGES

 Safety, sustainability, unique experiences























#### **DIGITALIZATION IN MARKETING**



#### **TOURIST FLOW MANAGEMENT**

**DIGITALIZATION IN SALES** 



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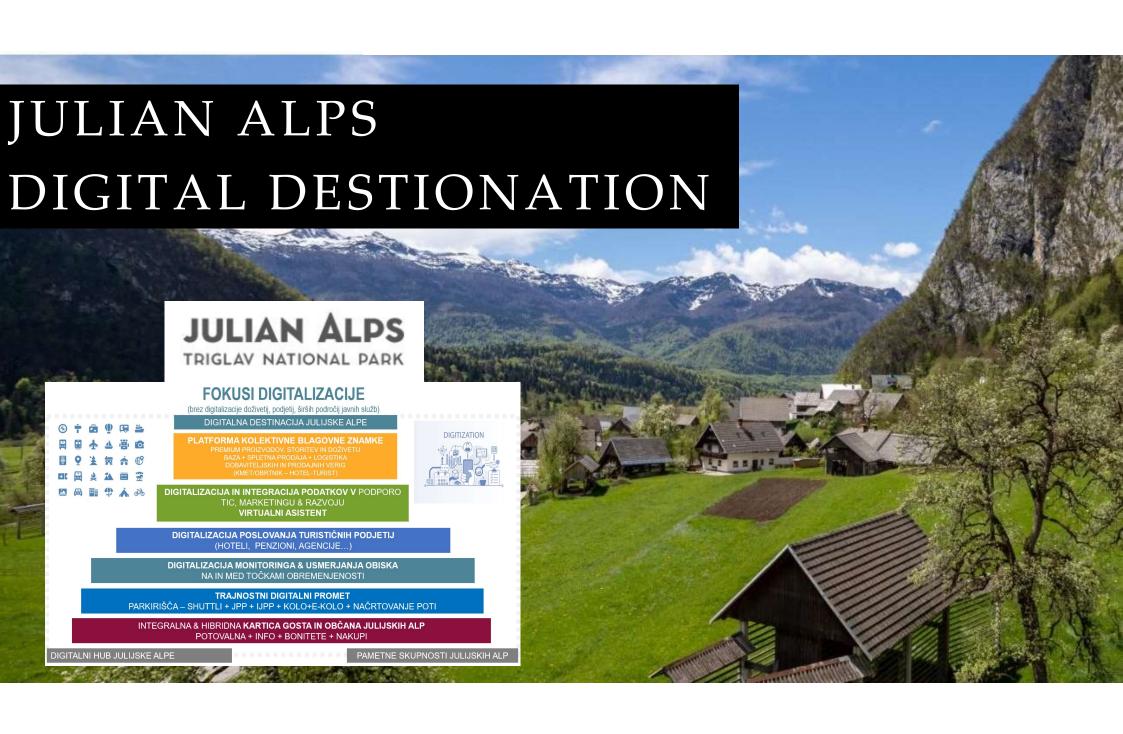
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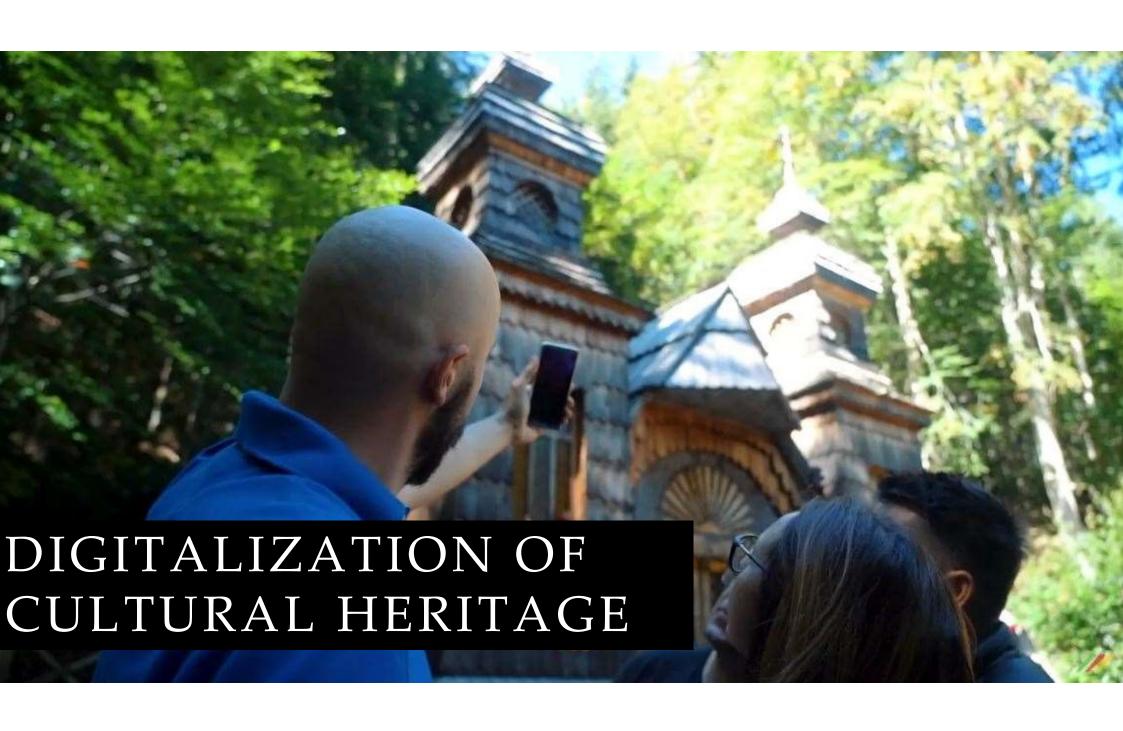
# Involving key industry sectors

- Accomodations hotels, apartments, camps, glampings, tourist farms etc.
- Restaurants
- Transport (airlines, taxis, buses, trains, parking lots, bicycles, route planning...)
- Travel agencies
- Meeting organizers DMC, event agencies
- Activity providers
- Attractions
- Tourist organizations: Slovenian Tourist Board, Destination Management & Marketing Organisations
- Associations











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