

The MEET Standard

Ecotourism claims to bring benefits to both conservation and local communities in protected areas. DestiMED PLUS and MEET Network's goal is to develop ecotourism multi-day products with evidenced sustainability around the Mediterranean. How do we know this is actually happening?

The MEET Standard has been developed to ensure that, and includes a series of indicators to assess the enabling conditions for ecotourism to be developed in a protected area and destination, and the sustainability and quality of the product being developed. Below follows a summary of the rigorous assessments carried out in in the project. More information will be available in the project website.

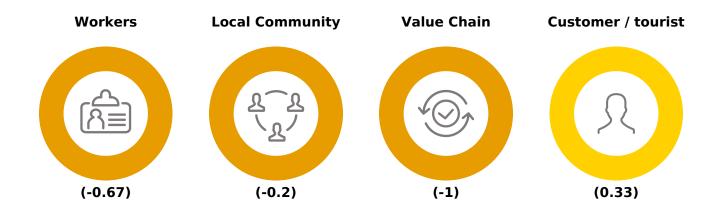




PRODUCT SUSTAINABILITY: SUMMARY

Average result for itinerary

By stakeholder group



By service provider category

Accommodation





Full report by stakeholder group



This graphic shows the average EF of travelling to Cabo de Gata-Níjar Natural Park from an average European city, and the diference between air and ground travel. The EF of travelling to the destination is slightly higher than the EF of the actual package (1.4 times the per capita EF of the package). To this destination, the average EF of travelling by ground (train/boat) is $\acute{a}\acute{a}\%$ lower than the average EF of travelling by flight from Europe.

Non-acceptable performance

Ideal performance

WORKERS



(-0.67)

WORKING CONDITIONS



Forced labour / Ilegal labour



are seasonal



% of jobs in tourism that Working hours/Overtime Fair salary



HEALTH & SAFETY



Presence of a formal policy concerning health and safety

TRAINING



Training hours per year

LOCAL





(-0.2)

LOCAL CAPACITY BUILDING



Partnerships involving the local community

LOCAL EMPLOYMENT



% of workforce hired locally



% spending on locally based suppliers

WELL BEING



Residents perception of tourism impacts

TOURISM



The service favours local tourism/residents



INTEGRATION OF SUSTAINABILITY ON SUPPLY CHAIN



Environmental/social criteria for supplier selection

SUPPLIER RELATIONSHIPS



Payments on time to suppliers

QUALITY OF THE SERVICE



Accessibility to people with disabilities





Risk management plan

FEEDBACK MECHANISM



Presence of a mechanism for customers to provide feedback

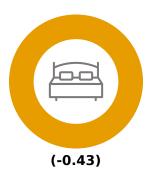


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Service provider category: Accommodation



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TRAINING

NO DATA

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LOCAL **COMMUNITY**

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PROVIDER: Restaurante Baiona

Status: Sent



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INTEGRATION OF SUSTAINABILITY ON SUPPLY CHAIN



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CUSTOMER / TOURIST

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Recomendations to Restaurante Baiona

Recomendations to : Forced labour / Ilegal labour

- To develope a corrective action plan with a clear timeline for completion if incidents of forced labour and/or illegal labour have been discovered.
- To develope a plan to raise awareness of issues associated with forced labour and illegal labour.
- To publicly report commitments, performance, progress and effectiveness of programmes in relation with forced and illegal labour.

Recomendations to: Working hours/Overtime

- To improve overtime pay above that of an ordinary hour.
- To let workers choose whether overtime is offset by time or money.

Recomendations to : Fair salary

- To offer workers additional social benefits on top of what is provided by the government.
- To remove the wage gap between man and women.
- To improve workers compensation above the living wage.

Recomendations to: Presence of a formal policy concerning health and safety

- To develope preventive measures and emergency protocols beyond compliance with local laws.
- To demonstrate that there is an improvement year after year of the health and safety of workers.

Recomendations to: Training hours per year

- To increase the hours of training for workers, along with the specificity, and also provide particular training for sustainability performance improvement.

Recomendations to: Partnerships involving the local community

Recomendations to: % of workforce hired locally

- To increase the % of local workers.

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Recomendations to: % spending on locally based suppliers

- To work toward increasing the supplies bought locally.

Recomendations to: Residents perception of tourism impacts

- To take action with the conclusions extracted from the monitoring system of residents' perception on tourism.
- To work toward achieving a reduction of the residents' complains.

Recomendations to: The service favours local tourism/residents

- To facilitate the access of local tourists to tourist places and activities.
- To use the local language in tourist activities and places.
- To promote local tourism and communicate the offers for local tourists.

Recomendations to : Environmental/social criteria for supplier selection

- To be proactive in providing help to improve the environmental and social performance of the supply chain.
- To consider, in a positive way, the suppliers having sustainability reports and/or certifications evaluating the sustainability performance.

Recomendations to : Payments on time to suppliers

- To comply with the law regarding payments to suppliers.
- To implement a payment management system to manage payments to suppliers.

Recomendations to : Accessibility to people with disabilities

- To implement a robust plan in terms of accessibility to people with disability.
- To offer alternatives to those activities that cannot be adapted to people with disabilities.

Recomendations to : Risk management plan

- To trace the results of plans and/or projects implemented for the improvement of the risk management performance.

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Recomendations to : Presence of a mechanism for customers to provide feedback

- To implement plans for improvement based on the information gathered through the customers feedback mechanism.
- To trace the results of plans and/or projects implemented for the improvement of the customers perception.

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PROVIDER: Hostar Pierre

Status: Sent



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Recomendations to Hostar Pierre

Recomendations to : Forced labour / Ilegal labour

- To develope a policy that pohibits retention of all or part of worker's salary, benefits, property or original documents.
- To implement a system to prohibit retention of all or part of a worker's salary, benefits, property or original documents and recruitment through deception about the content or legality of the work contract.
- To ensure that there is no evidence of forced labour and/or illegal labour.
- To develope a corrective action plan with a clear timeline for completion if incidents of forced labour and/or illegal labour have been discovered.
- To develope a plan to raise awareness of issues associated with forced labour and illegal labour.
- To publicly report commitments, performance, progress and effectiveness of programmes in relation with forced and illegal labour.

Recomendations to: % of jobs in tourism that are seasonal

- To develope a strategy and implement a series of actions to reduce the seasonality of jobs.

Recomendations to : Working hours/Overtime

- To let workers choose if they want to do or not overtime.
- To improve overtime pay above that of an ordinary hour.
- To let workers choose whether overtime is offset by time or money.

Recomendations to : Fair salary

- To compensate all workers with a living wage.
- To remove the wage gap between man and women.

Recomendations to: Presence of a formal policy concerning health and safety

- To develope preventive measures and emergency protocols beyond compliance with local laws.
- To demonstrate that there is an improvement year after year of the health and safety of workers.

Recomendations to: Partnerships involving the local community

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- To establish a regularity for dialogue between the company or facility and the local community.
- To demonstrate that partnerships and projects implemented with the local community are solid and long lasting.

Recomendations to: % of workforce hired locally

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Recomendations to: Residents perception of tourism impacts

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- To use the local language in tourist activities and places.
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Recomendations to: Environmental/social criteria for supplier selection

- To develope a selection criteria for suppliers based on its environmental/social performance.
- To be proactive in providing help to improve the environmental and social performance of the supply chain.
- To consider, in a positive way, the suppliers having sustainability reports and/or certifications evaluating the sustainability performance.

Recomendations to: Payments on time to suppliers

- To comply with the law regarding payments to suppliers.
- To develope a corrective action plan with a clear timeline for completion if a case of non-compliance with supplier payments laws is detected.

Recomendations to : Accessibility to people with disabilities

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