





DESTINATION FORUM

LEADING DESTINATION
WORKSHOP OF THE
GERMAN TRAVEL
INDUSTRY



GERMAN TRAVEL ASSOCIATION (DRV)

DRV is the umbrella organisation for all: tour operators, travel agents and associated members (airlines, airports, car rentals, hotels etc.)

- Stands for over 90% of total turnover of German travel agency and tour operator market
- Represents interests of small, mid-size and large travel companies, European travel service providers and international policy makers
- Approx. 3.000 members from individual owned-managed companies to listed international groups.









TARGET

The DRV Destination Forum in collaboration with fvwlTravelTalk, is a prestigious event which was launched in 2014, aimed to promoting the destination among the participating travel agents and tour operator representatives from the German source market, increasing awareness of the destination throughout the German tourism industry and magnifying the overall guest arrival figures substantially.





REGULAR SCHEDULE

Day 1:

- Departure from Germany
- Welcome evening with stakeholders and tourism industry representatives

Day 2 – 4:

 Group is divided into 3 - 5 Experience Tours (depending on the number of delegates and the touristic offerings)

Day 5:

- Destination Workshop (industry workshop day)
 with all event participants as well as local
 stakeholders and industry representatives
- Farewell function at night

Day 6:

Departure to Germany



FACTS AT A GLANCE

- **Timing:** spring or fall
- **Duration:** usually 6 days (short to medium-haul flights)
- Delegates: 60 hand-selected experts from the German travel industry
- **Destination Experience Tours:** 3 5
- Industry workshop day: 1
- Delegate handling:
 - pre-event: DRV
 - on-tour: hosting destination
 - post-event: DRV

- Flights: ideally from Frankfurt, Hamburg,
 Munich, Berlin
- Accommodation: 3 4-star hotels / occupancy: single use
- Transportation: air conditioned coaches
- Tour guides: fluent in German and English
- Marketing Fee: 75.000 EUR (paid to DRV and fvw for its services)
- **Delegate ticket fee** (paid to host and a reference/negotiable price):
 - DRV-members: 299,00 EUR
 - DRV-non-members: 399,00 EUR



THE VOICE OF THE TRAVEL INDUSTRY

MEDIA PACKAGE

- Web-page: DRV-landing page with event registration, information and travel data as well as post-event image gallery
- Newsletters: DRV Newsletter sent to 11.500 readers, Infox Stand Alone Newsletter sent to 19.000 travel agency readers in the region DACH, fvw Newsletters sent to 45.000 readers and 180.000 unique users of hompage fvw.de
- Social Media: Pre and post event-coverage and live updates from the Destination Forum on DRV and fvwlTravelTalk channels
- Print: 10-page report in fvwlTravelTalk magazine with 60.000 readers
- <u>Experts:</u> Participation of DRV president, fvwlTravelTalk editor in chief, professional photographer and social media specialist
- → Total Media Value of 140.000 EUR





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WHAT MAKES THE DESTINATION FORUM SO SUCCESSFUL?



Authentic Moments
Cultural Insights
Networking Opportunities
Exchange of Expertise
Countering Cultural Biases
Experience Marketable Touristic
Infrastructure

→ Creating unforgettable memories and valuable first hand experiences































OUR PROFESSIONALS: YOUR BRAND AMBASSADORS OF TOMORROW!

Through the Destination Forum, we successfully **bring the destination to life**, offering a vivid and comprehensive **experience**.

This not only allows to display the <u>unique selling</u> <u>points</u>, but also fosters a strong <u>emotional</u> <u>connection</u>.

Consequently, the participants are <u>well-equipped</u> to convey the essence of the destination at sales counters in their respective travel agencies.





INDUSTRY WORKSHOP

With our workshop at the end of each Destination Forum, we create the opportunity for <u>direct interaction</u> between participants and hosts.

In addition we facilitate direct <u>insights</u> <u>into the German market</u>, its needs and furthermore the potential areas for <u>product development of the local</u> touristic offering.





UNLEASH THE BENEFITS OF HOSTING A DESTINATION FORUM!

Access to German decision makers

Emotional destination showcase

Countering cultural biases

Valuable participant feedback

New contacts within German tourism industry

Increasing sales share in German travel market

High presence and visibility within the German travel industry



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