





10th International Tourism Studies Association (ITSA) Biennial Conference

Bridging the gaps in Tourism Knowledge and Practice: The Future of Sustainable, Smart and Secure tourism and hospitality

Conference Themes



Safety & Security



Changes in Traveller behaviour



Circularity

17 - 20 SEPT 2024

VIDZEME UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED

SCIENCES

RIGA, LATVIA





Call for Papers

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The 10th ITSA Biennial Conference will be hosted by Vidzeme University of Applied Sciences in cooperation with the International Tourism Studies Association (ITSA), Latvia Convention Bureau and PCO Latvia Tours Ltd.

About ITSA

ITSA is uniquely devoted to scholarly exchange between researchers and practitioners focusing on the growth of tourism worldwide, especially in Asia. Founded in 2006 in Hangzhou, China, ITSA now has an office in London. ITSA is committed to developing a global tourism leadership forum that facilitates improvements in global hospitality and tourism. ITSA is unique among international associations of tourism scholars and practitioners. It has the mission to encourage interaction and cooperation between members in developing and developed countries.









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Conference Sub-themes

- Building smart urban tourism systems for a sustainable future
- Management of resources within the framework of climate change, the environment, and responsible attitudes
- Networking and collaboration in tourism
- Changes in traveller behaviour and consumption of tourism offers.
- Digitalization & technological solutions for sustainable tourism services
- Circularity & Global Green Deal applications for tourism systems
- External shocks to the tourism industry and resilience
- Safety and security challenges and solutions for businesses and travellers.
- Future of travel insurance
- Bottlenecks for the sustainable planning of tourism destinations













Special Session

- Special Session proposals are invited from organisations, industry practitioners or groups that wish to run a session or workshop that presents their work on subjects or topics related to tourism and hospitality research and practice.
- Please, apply for a special session by **31st January 2024** through email to Prof Agita Livina (<u>agita.livina@va.lv</u>)









Publishing Opportunities

- Authors are invited to submit abstracts and original scientific papers, which have not been submitted/published/or are currently under consideration in other conferences/journals.
- Peer-reviewed articles and ones presented at the Conference will be published in the digital Conference Proceedings.
- Up to 12 papers will be selected after the IJTC review process for publication in the International Journal of Tourism Cities, which is owned and edited by ITSA.
- The journal will publish a **Special Issue** on the conference topic (Sustainable, Smart, and Secure tourism and hospitality).
- After IJTC's team reviews the conference papers, authors will be invited to submit full papers for the IJTC Special Issue.

Conference language: English















Important Dates and Deadlines



- Abstract (500 words) submission: 29th Feb, 2024 (include minimal references)
 - Acceptance of abstracts: 1st April, 2024
 - Full paper (4,000-6,000 words) submission: 24th May, 2024
 - Referencing Style: APA referencing style

The abstract submission portal will be open soon.

Further Information and local contact Please direct all inquiries to itsa2024@con-ex.com

Early bird registrations by 31 May, 2024
Regular registrations by the end of August, 2024









Conference Venue

- The formal conference registration will take place on 17th September 2024 at the Radisson BLU Daugava Hotel 4*4-star accommodation on the scenic Daugava River.
- This picturesque riverside setting lies just 15 minutes from the international airport and within walking distance from the old town.
- The hotel is adjacent to Riga's Old Town, where guests can visit key historical sites such as the Blackheads House, Riga Dome Cathedral, Art Museum "Riga Bourse", and Presidential Castle.

