Welcome to Tourism, Leisure and Global Change, the new online proceeding series of the IGU Commission

As an outcome of last year’s IGU regional conference “Tourism between Tradition and Modernity” in Kyoto, Japan, the steering committee of the commission decided to start an online and open-access proceedings series. The reason for this has been the ambition to enhance a rapid documentation and dissemination of the commission’s activities.

Tourism, Leisure and Global Change is published as annual volume including several sections, each presenting program and papers from conferences sponsored by the commission. In order to accomplish a quick publishing presentations are not peer-reviewed.

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New Companion to Tourism now available

Several current and former members of the commission steering committee contributed to a new edition of the Wiley-Blackwell Companion to Tourism. The volume is edited by commission vice chairperson Alan A. Lew, former commission chair C. Michael Hall and former steering committee member Allan M. Williams.
According to the publishers the companion offers “… a collection of readings that represent an essential and authoritative reference on the state-of-the-art of the interdisciplinary field of tourism studies”.


Focus on second home tourism

Altogether 34 delegates from Sweden, Finland, Denmark, Switzerland, Austria, France, Italy, Spain, Poland, Croatia, Czechia, Australia, New Zealand and the UK attended the conference New Perspectives on Second Homes at Skevik gård in the Stockholm archipelago in early June 2014.

The conference was sponsored by the IGU Commission and organized by commission chair Dieter Müller and his colleague Roger Marjavaara, Umeå University, Sweden.

Papers addressed economic, social, and environmental aspects of second home tourism and revisited second homes as part of rural and urban development. Moreover, the relationship of second homes to mobility and migration was discussed. The results of the conference will be presented in a book edited by C. Michael Hall and Dieter K. Müller.

Upcoming events

The IGU Tourism Commission Pre-Conference, Tourism and Transition in a Time of Change, 13-17 August 2014, Kraków / Pieniny Mts, Poland and the IGU Regional Conference, Changes, Challenges, Responsibility, 18-22 August 2014, Krakow, Poland, will be discussed in the next newsletter.

The next newsletter will also contain information on future IGU- and Commission events as well as a short summary of the Commission business meeting in Krakow.

New webpage

Recently the webpage of the IGU Commission has been moved to a new address - www.igutourism.org – where it is now available in a new and fresh design.

Please feel free to disseminate this newsletter to interested colleagues!

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