O欧洲通 EuroPass Wanderlust, **Wonder Europe** Pan-European Promotional Campaign in China Proposal submitted by EuroPass

CHINESE TOURISM MARKET EUROPEAN RECOVERY PLAN

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CALL FOR APPLICATION



A Campaign 100% Dedicated to Destination Management Organizations (DMOs)



The European stimulus plan after Covid crisis dedicated to the Chinese outbound tourist market (1st market worldwide) will be presented.

EUROPEAN RECOVERY PLAN SAVE THE DATES

• European Webinar Friday, June 26th, 9:00AM CEST

- Link to the webinar: <u>https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6661662084391658255?source=Europass</u>
- Run by ETC, ETOA & EuroPass
- Apply before Friday, July 10th, 12:00AM
- Link to apply : <u>https://forms.gle/UVa4tZhVUAsFQbdJ8</u>
- Selected destinations announcement, Monday, July 20th, 12:00AM

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EUROPEAN RECOVERY NEEDS PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP



Working with European destinations and suppliers, and operators selling European product in source markets worldwide since 1989.

Policy, commercial networking e.g. CityFair, and practical support. Previous EU project work includes:

- Europe-China Tourism 2018
- 8 B2B workshops (4 in Europe, 4 in China)
- 3081 applications, 861 European partners selected
- 631 Tour Operators & Travel Agencies B2B

For this campaign « Wanderlust, Wonder Europe », ETOA will support destinations as they respond to themes identified by the European Travel Commission: Romantic travel, European culture & river routes, Family travel, Tailor-made travel, European Lifestyle, Film & TV.

- Welcome and reassurance > confidence
- Respect, and mutual cultural interest > innovation
- Multi-centre product > smart collaboration
- Think B2B and B2C > what does success look like?



- A Campaign 100% Dedicated to Destination Management Organizations (DMOs)
- Size does not matter! Assessment of qualifying DMOs based solely on their objectives and strategy
- EuroPass, ETC & ETOA will supply support throughout the overall project to help DMOs develop the right action plan
- Thanks to the **pan-European nature** of the campaign, EuroPass will make sure to use **all the available assets** to highlight **destinations** according to the profile of key players helping **to drive visibility**
- EuroPass objectives include dispersal of tourist flow across the full network of selected destinations

CONTEXT

EUROPEAN RECOVERY PLAN KEY POINTS

To assure a quick and efficient recovery of European tourism industry, the European Travel Commission (ETC) and EuroPass are organizing a global campaign dedicated to Chinese tourism market:

- 20 European destinations will be selected from all the applications received
- > An extensive communication campaign divided in 2 phases :
 - > Sept. 2020 to Dec. 2020 : Digital communication
 - > Jan. 2020 to March 2021 : Influencer campaign
- > A branding campaign that will drive sales conversions
- New innovative tools implemented in the Chinese digital ecosystem
- > A storyboard adapted to the strategy of each destination
- Submit application before 10th, July 2020, 12.00am



EUROPEAN RECOVERY PLAN WHY?

On behalf of the **European Travel Commission** and due to the exceptional consequences of the present crisis, EuroPass has been mandated to set-up a major recovery plan that will collectively promote Europe towards the Chinese market.

- > Why is it critical to act collectively?
- For the first time, the European tourism industry as whole is threatened by the consequences of the epidemic, jeopardising the future of thousands of companies within the sector
- Col-ordinated campaigns for recovery and related resources are much more powerful and their reach will be far higher
- Why Chinese tourism is a relevant reason to join the campaign?
- > Chinese market is the world's largest outbound tourism market (source UNWTO)
- > With Indians, Chinese tourists are the most resilient travellers in the world according
- to ETC Long-Haul Travel Barometer
- > More than 150 million of international travellers, increasingly looking at Europe
- > Over \$250 billion spent each year
- The number of Chinese tourists traveling abroad will triple within the next 10 years to come, with 400 million travellers expected by 2030 according to a UNWTO survey.



EUROPEAN RECOVERY PLAN HOW?

Strategy of the campaign

- Dedicated accounts on Chinese social networks will be created (WeChat, Weibo, Douyin, Mafengwo...) and linked to the ones of destinations selected for the campaign
- Private partners, strongly affected by the crisis, will be invited to join the campaign and boost visibility on their Chinese social networks (airlines, retailers, hotels, attractions...)
- Competitions and lucky draws will generate the interest of Chinese people and enhance the virality of the campaign
- Phase 1: Thanks to the "collective purchasing power", cost sharing, and the network of partners involved in this campaign, a huge **advertising campaign** will be funded across Chinese digital networks
- Phase 2: To assure the Chinese public that Europe is now safe 10 major Chinese KOLs will travel to the destinations selected, share their experience and help promote them.



AN INNOVATIVE EUROPEAN CAMPAIGN BASED ON CLUSTERS



Each one of the 20 destinations selected for the Campaign will be assigned to one of following Clusters. The Key Opinion Leader (KOL) campaign will then be driven per cluster. Each Cluster will include 4 Destinations.

- **a** 1. Art de Vivre: Wine Tourism & Gastronomy \rightarrow discover the secrets of the
 - vineyards, local food markets, local farm products and street food
 - 2. Slow Adventure \rightarrow immerse yourself in nature: mountains, lakes, islands, seaside / coastline and European gardens
 - 3. Unexpected experiences at local level → Creative cities: street art / URBEX, contemporary art, (traditional) flea markets, live music, pop-ups
 - 4. Handcraft Experiences / Local designers \rightarrow local handcrafts, Tailor Made Promotion, Purchase out of the box...
- 5. Wellness tourism to enhance Wellbeing → travel at your own pace: bath & thermal cities, countryside, stress reduction, sauna, Nordic wellness and week-end wellness retreats

DMOs are welcome to apply for more than one cluster.

ETOA has a proven track record in coordinating EU-China projects as they have been in the last few years leading European projects targeted to the Chinese market where DMOs applicants had to showcase the strengths and specificities of their destinations in order to be participate

ETOA's teams will work with each destination through the promotion of their offer while EuroPass' teams will assure the inter-destination coordination to guarantee the smooth implementation of the campaign.

EUROPEAN RECOVERY PLAN PLANNING?



| June 2020 | July Aug. 2020 2020 | Sept. Dec. 2020 2020 | Jan. Mar. 2021 2021 | Mar. 2022 |
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| Selection | Content preparation | Phase 1 : Massive online communication campaign | Phase 2 : KOI local report | Monitoring |
| Selection of the 20 destinations among all candidates. Selection will be done on objective criteria, including: - Chinese strategy - Relevance to clusters - Offer for FIT - Sustainability The size of the DMO will not be a factor. | For two months, EuroPass team will prepare the campaign with each destination. Full assistance will be given to the Destination through this process. We'll define together: • Brand to promote • Cluster of the destination • Hotspots visited by KOLs • Content available • Content to create • Itineraries • Local partners to engage | The first phase of the campaign will focus on informing Chinese tourists that a major campaign throughout all Europe has been triggered. This phase will also be dedicated to communicate on reassuring Chinese tourists as to the health risk and all the measures that are taken to guarantee their wellbeing. A strong focus will be that European countries are happy to welcome Chinese tourists back to Europe. To do so, we will cooperate with local Chinese ambassadors that will regularly feature messages of this kind. Besides sa eries of posts published on the official website and networks of the campaign, each destination, we will benefit from posts on WeChat, ads on Weibo, shared posts by KOLs on WeChat, | Teams of two KOLs will visit each partner destination for 2 days and cover the local thematic and attractions Online profile via millions of page views will be generated per destination, hence feeding the Chinese social networks (where they exist) of each destination and driving the users to book both featured hotels, transport, and attractions. | Monitoring of the campaign including regular reminders, using comments and content already published to reinforce the campaign and support the sales conversion process. |

and also videos per clusters.



EUROPEAN RECOVERY PLAN CONDITIONS?

Estimated value of the campaign per **destination** → 50,000€

Cost of the campaign per Destination thanks to **mutualization** \rightarrow 20,000€

European Travel Commission exceptional contribution → 10,000€

Investment required by destination selected → 10,000€

- > Due to the exceptional circumstances, ETC will cover 50% of the cost to the participating destination as an unprecedented package
- > For an investment of 10,000€, the participants will benefit from a 20,000€ campaign cost, with an estimated value of 50,000€
- > 20 European Destination will then be selected after the application process has been completed over June / July 2020
- > Due to the limited number of places available, we kindly advise to our interested partner destinations to apply as soon as they can
- Payment will be due at project launch



EUROPEAN RECOVERY PLAN OBJECTIVES ?

- ✓ 500 000 000 page views on Chinese social networks
- ✓ 1 500 000 interactions with the Chinese audience
- Mobilized Levers : KOLs, competitions, partners' social networks, ads, medias...
- Mobilized platforms : WeChat, Weibo, Douyin, Mafengwo...
- Type of contents : Videos, articles, H5, posts, live video show
- Categories of posts : Per destination, per cluster, and global

✓ 50 000 000€ generated into the European Toursitic Economy

Key Levers : Hospitality booking platform, instant ticketing platform for tourist attractions, transportation ticketing platform, duty-free platform. Key Technology : WeChat Miniprograms



AN UNDISPUTED VALUE ADDED FOR YOUR BRAND

YOUR NEEDS

You wish to recover Chinese tourist flow following the crisis?

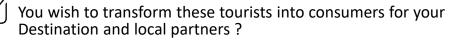
| 7 | You wish to attract more Chinese FITs (millennials, high purchasing | g |
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| J | power tourists) to your destination? | |

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You wish to dramatically increase the profile of your brand in China?



You wish to promote your destination as the obvious place to include for Chinese tourists' for their next long-haul holidays?



You wish to monitor your branding strategy, including accurate conversion KPIs?

THE EUROPEAN SOLUTION WE OFFER

- The greatest European touristic recovery campaign addressed to Chinese tourism powered by ETC
- ✓ 20 European Destinations cooperating together
- Specific digital tools dedicated to the campaign based on the Chinese ecosystem
- A network including ETC, ETOA, European NTOs, DMOs, Airlines, Railway networks and other powerful partners joining in a coordinated campaign
- Co-funded to generate more reach and impact in promoting your destination
- A tailor-made approach per-destination to enhance your highlights (Ads, Digital Games, KOLs trips, commercialization...)
- An exceptional opportunity to feed your social networks dedicated to Chinese tourism
- Both a branding and conversaion strategy where commercialization KPIs will be monitored
- A long-term campaign with a high market value relative to investment required

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