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## Checklist to assess sustainability in binding and non-binding tourism policies

Checklist to support the assessment of sustainability in binding and non-binding tourism policies at the regional Catalan level and local (county and municipal) level. The checklist can support the assessment of sustainability in documents that are already in place or are being created and regularly updated.

The person or team who wants to assess the sustainability of the targeted policy can go over the checklist with the aim to achieve as many “yes” answers as possible.

If the analysed policy does not consider a specific “TO DO” stated in the checklist, it is crucial to, at least, bond the mentioned “TO DO” to other policies specifically tackling the topic and therefore, achieve a better understanding and interconnect tourism policies with sustainable principles.

# Checklist to evaluate sustainability in tourism policies

PILLARS	TO DO - Does this policy...	YES	In Progress	NO
Governance	...integrate the concept of sustainable tourism?			
	...include the 3 pillars of sustainability (environmental, economic, and social)?			
	...builds on the participation and decision-making of the quadruple helix actors (public authorities, private sector, society, academia) of the specific territory defining a communication strategy to work together?			
	...clearly defines the governance structure and mentions the competent organisms for its implementation and funding resources?			
	...follows diversity and gender equity principles?			
	...establish a monitoring system with specific indicators?			
Environmental	...take into account climate change mitigation and adaptation actions?			
	...integrate biodiversity conservation and restoration programmes?			
	...consider a sustainable mobility development?			
	...tackle specific waste management strategies?			
	...involve the preservation of freshwater resources for drinking and leisure purposes?			
	...include the use of renewable energy sources?			
	...demand minimising light and noise pollution?			
Socio-cultural	...integrate actions to allow community access to material and immaterial resources?			
	...prioritize the protection of cultural heritage?			
	...comprise local community engagement and capacity building action plans?			
	...incorporate guidelines to ensure locals secure living conditions and social cohesion aspects?			
	...take into account tourists health and safety programmes?			
	...penalise discrimination movements?			
	...prioritize the quality of the service and transparency of taken actions?			
	...consider spreading awareness and promote social and environmental responsibility?			
Economic	...include plans for fair working conditions and equal opportunities prioritizing local employment?			
	...tackle stakeholder cooperation enhancing fair business competition and value chain capacity building programmes?			
	...integrate actions to move towards digitalisation and data sharing protocols?			
	...inform on available funding programmes?			