Smart tourism and and digital transformation

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What comes to your mind when you hear smart tourism?

Smart technologies?

- intelligent systems
- cloud computing
- linked data
- social networks
- the Internet of Things
- Mobile applications
- Machine learning
- Chat boxs

- Context-awareness of mobile systems
- **Near Field Communication**
 - Augmented Reality
 - Virtual Reality
 - Processors
 - Sensors
 - Big Data
 - Industrial Internet (devices, software analytics + cloud computing)

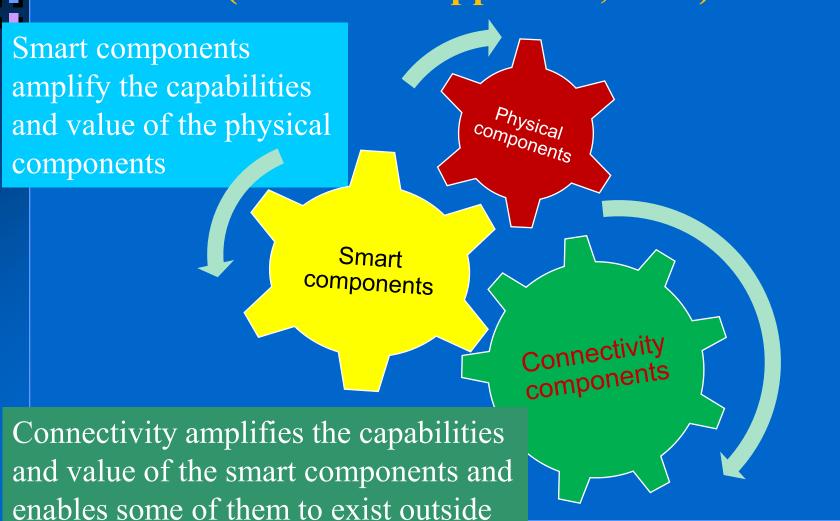
The smart bike scenario

What does SMART mean?

ssmart capabilities:

- intelligence
- connectivity
- <u>autonomy:</u> tech functioning with little or no human intervention
- technology as meaning capable of independent action (Oxford dictionary)

Building Smart Tourism Actors (Porter & Keppelman, 2014)



the physical product itself

Capabilities of smart tourism actors

Monitoring

- · Sensors and external data enable monitoring of:
- The resource condition
- The external environment
- · Resource operation, capacity, usage
- · Alerts, notification of changes

Control

- Software embedded in the tourism resource or the cloud enables:
- Control of tourism resource operations and functions
- Personalisation of user experience

Optimisation

Autonomy

- Monitor + control optimise resource operation and use in order to do:
- Improvements and real time quality management
- Predictive diagnostics and strategic planning

- All the above allow:
- Autonomous self-operation of the resource
- Co-ordination with other smart resources and systems
- Autonomous resource enhancement and personalization
- self-diagnosis and re-regeneration

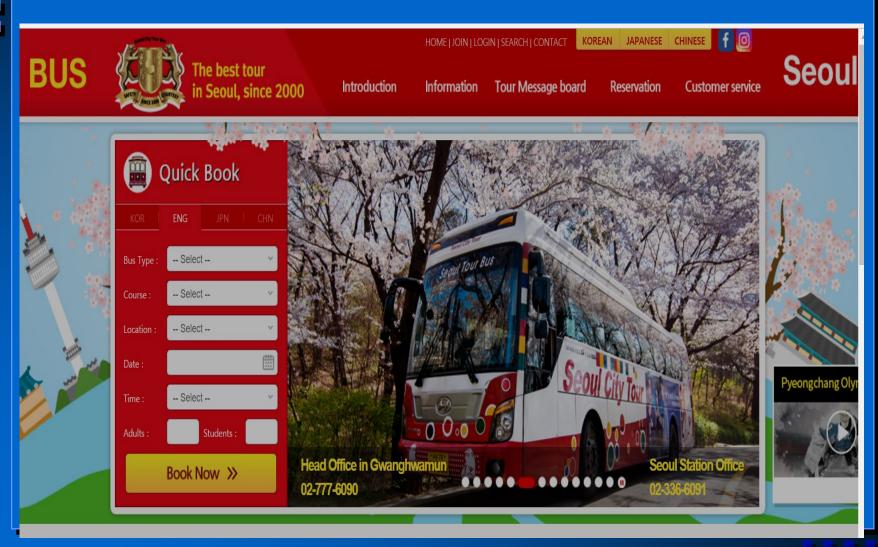
Smart is about everything!

The interconnection, synchronization and concerted use of networks, hardware, software, infoware and humanware to take real-time and pro-active optimal decisions (Washburn et al. 2010; Harrison et al., 2010, Sigala, 2016)

Best London apps

http://www.visitlondon.com/traveller-information/getting-around-london/london-maps-and-guides/apps#wejWIbDu3wRCVbMD.97

Seoul City Tour Bus stops equipped with beacon technology that offer targeted information in four different languages



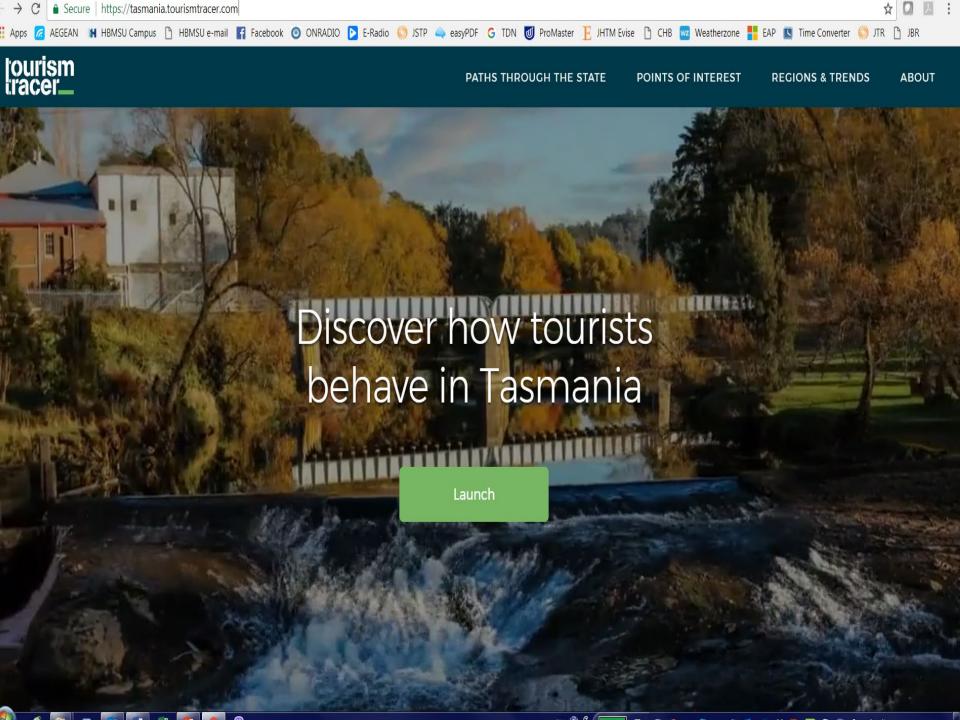
Is beacon the smart tech?

Brisbane has recently mounted over 100 beacons onto points of interest to communicate information to tourists via a mobile app if they are within a certain radius of the location (http://goo.gl/QidSOC).

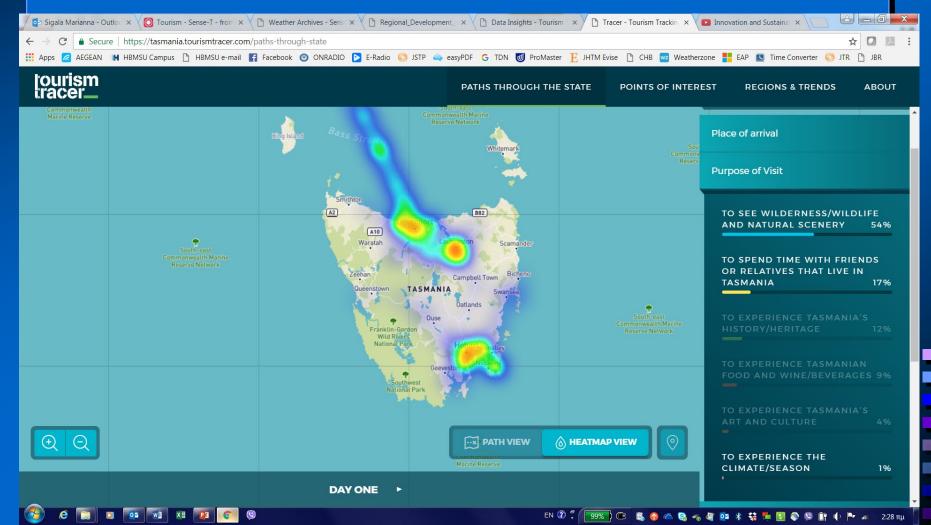
Amsterdam uses beacons to let tourist signs translate themselves into different languages

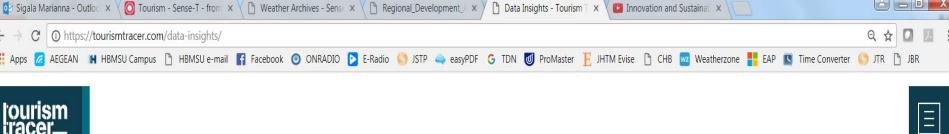
Amsterdam ArenA is testing sensors for better crowd management (http://amsterdamsmartcity.com/).

Or do you think of smart use of (big) data?



https://tasmania.tourismtracer.co m/paths-through-state





Data Insights - Tourism T X





Data Insights

We're learning more about how tourists behave every day. Check back regularly for insights into where tourists go and what impacts their behaviour.



What's driving tourists in Tassie?

We have been busy analysing our data to work out what factors are



Tourists weathering it in Tasmania

On a fine day On a rainy day All Tasmanians know that the weather can be fickle in our beloved island



Innovation and Sustainal x

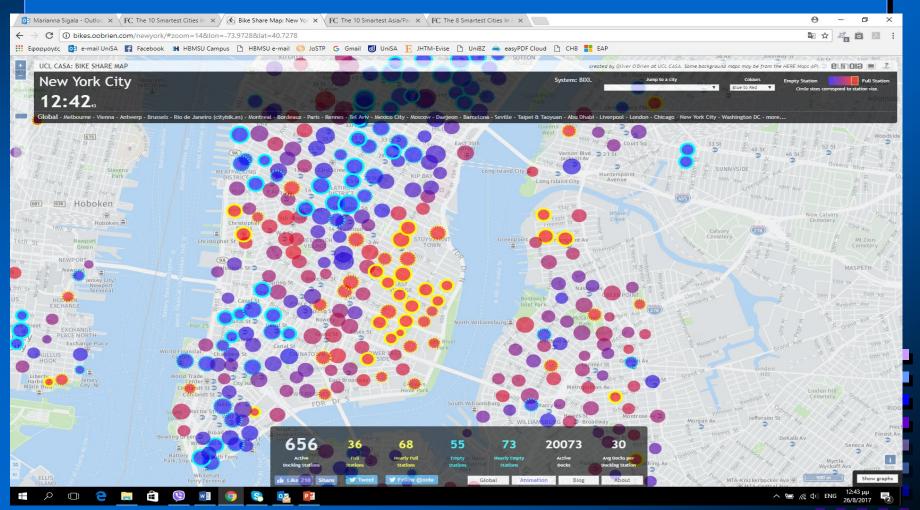
Tourists to Tassie travelling in the dark

The data that the visitor tracking project team has collected allows us to investigate tourist behaviour which

ps://tourismtracer.com/whats-driving-tourists-tassie/

Do you think of smart tourism applications?

Bike share: smart mobility New York



Smart mobility: digital map of Dublin buses

Real time traffic monitoring and management

Big Data streaming in from an array of sources – bus timetables, inductive-loop traffic detectors, and closed-circuit television cameras, GPS updates that each of the city's 1,000 buses transmits every 20 seconds

Predictive analytics:

Where should we add bus lines?

What are the optimum start times and start locations?

How can we take proactive steps to improve a traffic jam we know is about to occur?

Enhanced, personalized, meaningful experiences

> Enrich experience with more information at attractions through the use of technology

> Improve satisfaction with more activities as tourists now want to "do," not just "see"

> Strengthen overall industry with more repeat visits and positive online reviews

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Smart touchscreen wall



Seamless Travel-transport

- > Improved nation-wide navigation system to encourage visit to under-explored destinations
- > Encourage <u>longer stays</u> as inter-region travels become easier
- > Optimisation of resources: smart parking, mobility sharing schemes

Smart Tourism Applications



Integrated transport app



BIKE sharing



Translation app

Convenient planning, booking, payment

- > Increase spending with more payment options
- > Allow attractions to develop more chargeable activities with <u>facilitated payment</u>
- Improve personalisaiton, safety and convenience of tourists—e.g. less need to carry cash

Destination smart cards

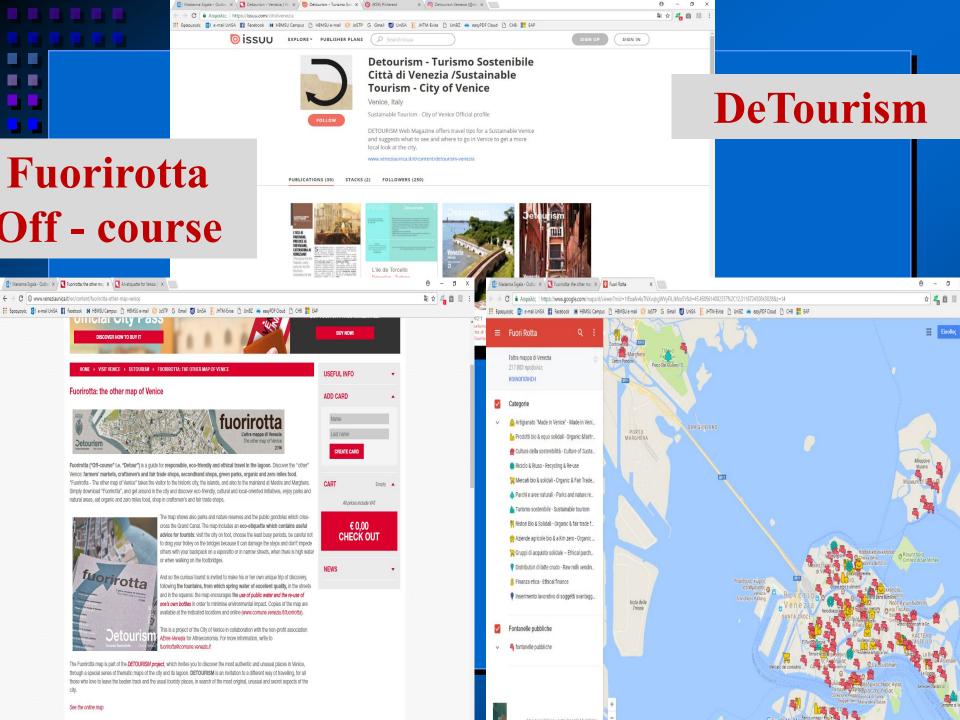
Digital payment options incl. NFC



SoCoMo planning & booking







Gretzel, Sigala & Koo, 2015

smart tourism is defined as tourism supported by integrated efforts at a destination to collect, aggregate and harness data derived from physical infrastructure, social connections, government/organizational sources and human bodies/minds in combination with the use of advanced technologies to transform that data into on-site experiences and business valuepropositions with a clear focus on efficiency, sustainability and experience enrichment.

Smart Tourism:

co-System approa **DMO** OS TS Smart technology-Intermediary OS supported OS TC interaction space TS Intermediary TC RCMedia DM **Smart tourism ecosystem** TC **DMO** Intermediary Intermediary TS OS DMO TS Data RCOS **Smart** Government technology **Digital Ecosystem** Intermediary

(Gretzel et al., 2015; Beritelli et al. 2007, 2014,

Baggio and Del Chiappa 2013, 2014)

SMART TOURISM: a SDL approach

Smart INPUTS

Smart Co-creation processes & platforms

PESTEL environment

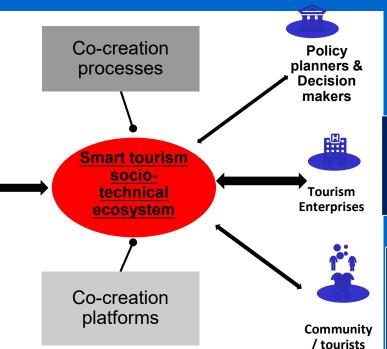
Smart tourism technological agents, e.g. robots, chat-box

Smart tourism actors



Smart tourism resources





Smart OUTPUTS

SMART GOV

Set data-driven policies & strategies e.g. tourism areas zoning, pollution control, products classification

SMART BUSINESS

Improve ability to tailor products & services using analytics to match tourists preferences/ cultural needs

SMART PEOPLE

Improve social inclusion and wealth distribution Quality of life

Well - being

Enhanced/enriched, highvalue, meaningful and sustainable experiences

Decomposing definitions

inputs

- Real time data
- Technology infrastructure and tools
- Stakeholders

outputs

- Urban efficiency, development planning
- Efficient and effective use of resources
- Destination competitiveness and sustainability
- Effectiveness communication marketing
- Tourism experiences: meaningful, context and big data driven, technology augmented
- Quality of life

processes

- Interactions and interconnections
- Co-creation
- Knowledge exchanges sharing

E-Tourism Vs Smart Tourism

| | e-Tourism | Smart Tourism |
|-----------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|
| Focus-objects | connected actors, | connected, intelligent, |
| | tourism resources | autonomous smart actors – |
| | | tourism resources |
| Sphere | digital | bridging digital & physical |
| Core technology | websites | Software+hardware+netware+huma |
| | | nware+infoware |
| | | Synergies more than the sum! |
| Travel phase | pre- & post-travel | during trip, seamless experience |
| Lifeblood | information | big data, machine learning |
| Paradigm | interactivity | technology-mediated value co- |
| | | formation |
| Structure | value | ecosystem |
| | chain/intermediaries | |
| Exchange | B2B, B2C, C2C | public-private-consumer |
| | | collaboration, tech agents |
| Value | economic | economic, socio-cultural, |
| | | environmental |

Smart tourism

FROM

Multi-disciplinary innovation

TO

Anti-disciplinary creative space with disruptive innovation

THANK YOU!

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