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CONFERENCE AGENDA DAY 1 – WEDNESDAY, 11 OCTOBER 2023

- 09:00 10:00 **REGISTRATION & WELCOME COFFEE**
- 10:00 10:10 **OPENING NOTE BY THE CHAIRPERSON**
- 10:10 10:30 TECHNOLOGICAL RESURGENCE OF THE TRAVEL INDUSTRY
 - How To Prepare the Tourism Industry for The Digital Future
 - Dynamic Approach to Innovation in Tourism
 - Startups And Innovation for Travel and Tourism Recovery
- 10:30 11:10 PANEL DISCUSSION | MIDDLE EAST: AN EXCEPTIONAL TOURIST DESTINATION IN 2023
 - Positioning as an Amplifier of Economic Diversity
 - Enhancing Cultural and Heritage Tourism Offerings
 - Investing Heavily in Infrastructure Development

11:10 -11:30 INFLUENCE OF DATA ANALYTICS & ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN THE TOURISM SECTOR

- Analyze Travel Trends, Predict Demand, and Optimize Resource Allocation
- Emerging Role of Voice-Based AI Digital Assistants
- Efficient use of AI-powered chatbots and virtual assistants
- 11:30 12:00 NETWORKING COFFEE BREAK

12:00 – 12:30 FIRESIDE CHAT | SUSTAINABILITY - A KEY CONSIDERATION FOR TRAVELERS IN 2023

- Reduction Of Single-Use Plastics
- Growing Demand for Eco-Friendly Accommodations
- Ways To Reduce Carbon Emissions Associated with Travel

12:30 – 12:50 CONTACTLESS TRAVEL: NEW AGE SOLUTIONS FOR NEW AGE PROBLEMS

- Contactless Payments and Bookings
- Robots For Room Service
- Flexible And Secure Travel Management Platform

12:50 – 13:30 PANEL DISCUSSION | TECHNOLOGY DRIVEN TRAVEL INNOVATIONS - ADDRESSING POST PANDEMIC MARKET





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- Enabling Seamless and Contactless Payment Verification
- Adoption Of Health and Safety Technologies
- Prominence of Virtual and Augmented Reality Experiences

13:30 – 13:50 2023: BUILDING A TRAVEL AUTOMATION SYSTEM

- Benefits of an Automated Travel System Implementation
- Challenges to Automated Travel System Development
- Efficiency in keeping records of customers, suppliers, and travel agents
- 13:50 14:00 CLOSING REMARKS FROM CHAIRPERSON
- 14:00 15:00 **NETWORKING LUNCHEON**

DAY 2 - THURSDAY, 12 OCTOBER 2023

- 09:00 10:00 REGISTRATION & WELCOME COFFEE
- 10:00 10:10 **OPENING NOTE BY THE CHAIRPERSON**
- 10:10 10:30 THE EVERCHANGING TRAVEL PAYMENTS LANDSCAPE
 - Payment technologies as an advantage for the travel sector
 - Are payments a travel operator's secret weapon?
 - Emerging trends in bookings and payment methods in the tourism sector
- 10:30 11:10 PANEL DISCUSSION | TRAVEL CULTURE RESHAPED BY MILLENIALS IN 2023
 - Millennials Leveraging Technology to Work and Travel Simultaneously
 - How DMOs Can Help Organizations to Attract Their Target Audience
 - Digital Marketing and Digital Partnerships to Attract Millennials

11:10 - 11:30 DEVELOPMENT OF METAVERSE IN THE TRAVEL INDUSTRY

- Transformation of the Pre-Trip Research
- Facilitating Virtual Collaboration and Conferencing
- Integration of AR Technologies To Enhance In-Person Travel Experience

11:30 - 12:00 NETWORKING AND COFFEE BREAK

12:00 - 12:40 PANEL DISCUSSION | CX TRENDS INFLUENCING THE FUTURE OF THE TRAVEL INDUSTRY

• Key Strategies for Travel Companies to Transform CX In This Changing Landscape



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Overcoming Challenges with Customer Communications in The Hospitality and Tourism Industry

• Travel Companies Prioritizing CX To Gain Loyalty and Future-Proof Their Business in The Post-Pandemic World.

12:40 - 13:00 WEB3: THE FUTURE OF HOSPITALITY IS NOW

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- Cryptocurrencies and Blockchain-Based Payment Platforms
- Loyalty Programs Tokenized Using Web3 Technology
- Development of Community-Driven Hospitality Platforms

13:00 - 13:20 TRAVELING WITH THE RIGHT CLOUD MINDSET

- Managing Fluctuating Demand During Peak Travel Seasons or Expanding into New Markets
- Securely Store and Manage Large Volumes of Data
- Facilitate The Development and Deployment of Mobile Applications and Online Booking Systems

13:20 – 13:50 FIRESIDE CHAT | BIOMETRICS: VANGUARD OF THE HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY

- Ease of Contactless Authentication
- Reducing The Risk of Unauthorized Access
- Use of Biometrics to Prevent Identity Theft and Fraud in the Tourism Industry
- 13:50 14:00 CLOSING REMARKS FROM CHAIRPERSON & END OF SUMMIT
- 14:00 15:00 NETWORKING LUNCHEON



