

IZVJEŠTAJ – INTERNATIONAL TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY ACADEMY AT SEA

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ITHAS - International Tourism and Hospitality Academemy at Sea je projekt kojeg Katedra za Turizam Ekonomskog fakulteta Sveučilišta u Zagrebu već devetu godinu za redom organizira u suradnji s turoperatrom specijaliziranim za Hrvatsku, I.D.Riva Tours GmbH iz Münchena. Ovo iznimno interaktivno studijsko putovanje nesumnjivo je ostavilo neizbrisive utiske kod svih sudionika, posebice kod nas studenata.

Ovogodišnja tema projekta ITHAS bila je „Promocija turističkog proizvoda“. Tijekom sedmodnevnog putovanja održana su raznolika interaktivna predavanja o promociji turističkog proizvoda u zemljama u razvoju, kao i u destinacijama u nastanku. Ugodan ambijent predavanja, koja su se održavala tijekom plovidbe jadranskom obalom i otocima, omogućio je lakše fokusiranje na teme predavača. Predavanja eminentnih profesora tijekom putovanja održavala su se u prijepodnevnim satima. Raznoliki stilovi predavanja profesora koji dolaze iz različitih dijelova svijeta, od Njemačke, Francuske, preko Izraela, pa sve do Australije ukazuju na to da je i bez uporabe najnovije tehnologije moguće pobuditi zainteresiranost studenata za materiju koja se predaje. Poseban naglasak stavljen je na važnost inovacija, kao i promociju turističkog proizvoda u vrijeme krize, uz istovremene dinamične i zabavne radionice obojane interkulturnim različitoštima čijih je 124 sudionika došlo iz čak 31 zemlje.

Program spomenutog projekta detaljno je isplaniran, što je omogućavalo da se vrijeme provedeno na putovanja maksimalno iskoristi. Prilikom pristajanja brodom odlazilo se u razgledavanje te destinacije, autobusom ili pješice. Ovogodišnje destinacije

REPORT ON INTERNATIONAL TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY ACADEMY AT SEA

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International Tourism and Hospitality Academy at Sea (ITHAS) is a project organised by the Department of Tourism of the Faculty of Economics and Business together with I.D.Riva Tours GmbH from Munich, Germany, specialised in Croatian travelling. In the past nine years this extraordinary interactive study programme has undoubtedly left unforgettable impressions with all participants, especially with us, the students.

This year's ITHAS project was devoted to the theme of the Promotion of Tourism Product. During a seven-day voyage we participated in a variety of interactive lectures/workshops on promotion of tourism product in developing countries and in emerging destinations. The cosy atmosphere on the boats where lectures/workshops were held while sailing on the Adriatic coast facilitated thorough focusing on the issues and concepts presented and discussed. The lectures/workshops held by eminent professors from Germany, France, Israel and Australia have proved that even without the use of state-of-the-art technology students' interest in the subject matter can be stimulated. Special emphasis was put on discussing the significance of innovations and on promotion of tourism product at times of crises in lectures accompanied by lively workshops in colourful intercultural exchanges among the 124 participants coming from as many as 31 countries from all over the world.

The schedule of lectures/workshops held on board boats while sailing, field visits and meetings with the local tourism experts in ports and teambuilding exercises in our 'free time' was planned in detail to facilitate maximum use of time. When the boats docked the students went on sightseeing tours of each destination (Split, Omiš, and Brela on

bile su: Split, Omiš, Brela, Brač (Bol), Šolta (Stomorska), Solaris Beach Resort (u blizini Šibenika) te Trogir. Pojedinačne aktivnosti bile su popraćene stručnim predavanjima, čime se doživljaj svakog pojedinog turističkog proizvoda iz perspektive turista stapaо s analizom istog tog proizvoda iz perspektive nositelja turističke ponude. Takav način učenja briše sve granice, navodi na razmišljanje izvan standardnih okvira i normi te pruža uvid u to kako u praksi funkcioniraju odnosi i subjekti u turizmu.

Izuvez mogućnosti za poboljšanjem znanja i umijeća korištenja engleskog jezika, projekt ITHAS otvara horizonte i u kontekstu upoznavanja različitih načina promišljanja, životnih stavova, navika, želja, ali i potreba. Ostvarivanje kontakata sa studentima i profesorima iz cijelog svijeta od neprocijenjive je koristi za naš budući razvitak i rad. Opisujući posebnosti i izdvajajući prednosti koje ITHAS pruža u širokom spektru, ne smijemo zaboraviti niti izostaviti šarolike

the mainland coast, Bol on the island of Brač, Stomorska on the island of Šolta, the Solaris Beach Resort near the town of Šibenik and Trogir on the mainland again) either by bus or on foot. All activities were accompanied by presentations by the local experts, which completed the picture of each experience of the particular tourism product both from the tourist's and tourism supplier's perspective. An insight into the practical functioning of the relationships among the tourism entities enriched our learning/studying through thinking outside the box and the usual norms.

In addition to offering the students opportunities to gain new knowledge and improve their English communication skills, the ITHAS project also opens new horizons in the context of getting to know different ways of thinking, life attitudes, customs, aspirations as well as needs. The interaction among the students and professors from all over the world is invaluable for our future professional development and careers. One of ITHAS's

Picture 1 / Slika 1: ITHAS 2014 participants / Sudionici ITHAS-a 2014



prezentacije, posebice nas studenata, koje nam daju mogućnost uspoređivanja našeg znanja i studijskih programa kao i stručne i osobne informacije od naših kolega i kolegica iz cijelog svijeta. Zanimljiva je i činjenica kako se usprkos toga što se sudionici razlikuju u kulturama i običajima, svi slažu u osnovnoj biti ITHAS-a - želji za učenjem i upoznavanjem, te radoznašošću koje predstavljaju glavni pokretač svih turističkih kretanja.

Cjelokupni projekt, osim što pruža mogućnosti stjecanja teoretskog znanja iz područja turizma, nudi i mnogo više od toga - upoznavanje samoga sebe, vlastitih granica, razvijanje organizacijskih vještina, upravljanje vremenom i sl. Suživot s ljudima iz cijelog svijeta, spoj različitih kultura, tradicija i rasa na jednom mjestu, potpuno mijenjaju doživljaj i kut gledanja, želja i potreba turističke ponude i potražnje, što dodatno pri-

peculiarities are the students' colourful presentations on their countries and universities, and on the assigned topic in which we could benchmark our own school and programme and get all sorts of professional and personal information from our colleagues from all over the world. An interesting fact is that the participants, although different in cultures and customs, all agree on the essence of ITHAS: the desire to study and curiosity as the main initiator for all tourism undertakings.

ITHAS offers much more than opportunities to gain theoretical knowledge in the area of tourism. It enables getting to know one self, one's own limits, developing organisational skills, time management, etc. The cohabitation with the people from all over the world, a mixture of different cultures, traditions and races in one place, completely alter the experience and the viewing angle, the desires and the needs of tourism demand and supply – all

Picture 2 / Slika 2: Students from M/S Vilma during presentations of their home faculties and universities / Studenti s broda Vilma tijekom prezentacija matičnih fakulteta i sveučilišta



donosi izoštravanju pogleda na mogućnosti koje su pred nama, na naše vlastite kapacitete i planove za budućnost.

Vremenski uvjeti tijekom putovanja nisu uvijek bili idealni, no vedar duh i potpora profesionalne i ljubazne posade, omogućili su prevladavanje negativne atmosfere u svakom trenutku. Tako smo i od njih dobili živu poduku o tome kako rade pravi timovi.

Konačno, svaki pojedinac koji je sudjelovao u ITHAS-u zna da nema pretjerivanja u tvrdnji – nakon ITHAS-a više niste isti. Citirajući sv. Augustina koji je rekao da je svijet knjiga - oni koji ne putuju pročitali su samo jednu stranicu, shvaćamo da je putovanje u sklopu projekta ITHAS nemirnovno najbolja investicija tijekom studija, kako intelektualna tako i životna. Mnoštvo lijepih uspomena, iskustava, dojmova, a napose znanja, ono je što smo kao sudionici ponijeli sa sobom. Zbog svega navedenog, s velikom željom i veseljem iščekujemo ITHAS 2015 koji će nas bez sumnje ponovno oduševiti.

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these contribute to sharpening our focus on the opportunities before us, to building our own capacities and planning our future.

Although the weather conditions during the voyage were not always perfect, the bright spirits and the firm support of the helpful and always professional crews on each boat made up for all peripheral snags. In this aspect we had an on-the spot lesson on how great teams operate.

To conclude I strongly believe without exaggeration that every person who participated in ITHAS knows that after ITHAS you are not the same person anymore. Quoting St. Augustin who said that the world was a book, one can say that those who do not travel have only read one page. Furthermore we realise that the voyage within the ITHAS project is undoubtedly the best investment during our studies both intellectually and in terms of life. What we, the participants, took home with us is a multitude of beautiful memories, experiences, impressions, and especially knowledge. Because of all of the above we eagerly await the next ITHAS 2015 which will definitely be a thrill.

On behalf of all students from the Faculty of Economics and Business Zagreb I would like to thank the University of Zagreb and our Faculty for the provided financial support.

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ITHAS 2014 Professors and lectures / Profesori i predavanja

Professor Charles Arcodia & Margarida Abreu Novais: *Promoting Tourism Products through Innovation / Promoviranje turističkih proizvoda korištenjem inovacija*

Professor Eli Avraham: *Tourism Promotion for Developing Countries and Emerging Destinations / Promocija turizma u zemljama u razvoju i destinacijama u nastajanju*

Professors Patricia East, Burkhard von Freyberg and Ralph Berchtenbreiter: *Intercultural Workshop / Međukulturna radionica*

Professor Yoel Mansfeld: *Promoting Tourism Product in Time of Crisis and Risks / Promoviranje turističkog proizvoda u vrijeme kriza i rizika*

Professor Michel Poté: *Puzzles in Predicting Tourist Expectation and Behavior in a Cross-cultural Environment / Slagalice u predviđanju očekivanja i ponašanja turista u kroskulturalnom okruženju*

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