

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Course name:	Tourism Law		Course code:	
Course type:				
Classes	2		Creditpoints:	5
Semester:	I.		Training type	full time
Training programme	Tourism and Hospitality			
Pre-requirements:	-			
Course leader:	Dr. András Salamon			
Lecturer:	Dr. András Salamon			
Department	Tourism			
Objectives:	The objectives of the course is to build awareness of the legal dimension to management activity in the travel, tourism and hospitality industry.			
Short description:	<p>The course provides an overview of the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • legal framework for travel (human and other rights, immigration law, UNWTO Global Ethical Codex of Tourism, EU travel/tourism institutions), • permissions (permission to sell accommodation, to sell travel services and operate air and cruise passenger services), and • relationship with customers (trips and holidays including package holiday law, air travel law, including delay, injury and baggage loss, and general liability rules cover injury in hotels/visitor attraction EU cruise law, conflict management like ADR, mediation etc etc). The course places special emphasis on developing the students' skills of individual thinking and problem solving. 			
Competencies:	After completing this course, the student will be able to: recognise the importance of the legal dimension to professional activity in the hospitality industry; interact at an appropriate level with regulatory and professional legal opinion; have an appropriate knowledge and understanding of the range and detail of laws applicable to the main areas of the hospitality industry; analyse issues in the hospitality industry with a heightened logical focus.			
Course topics:	<p>Lectures:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduction to the course. Objectives, Lectures and work on seminars, the course requirements. 2. Overview of the European Union, the EU and the Institutions in the point of view of travel and tourism. The Global Ethical Codex of tourism. Treaty of Rome and tourism. 3. Laws and decision-making procedure of the EU. Role of the Parliament, EC. Types of EU laws. Petitions Committee, European Court of Justice. 4. The EU single market and the four freedom of EU: free movement of goods, persons, capital and services. Ban on nationality discrimination, proportionality. 5. EEC Directive 90/314, package travel, proposed amendments of the Directive, ECJ decisions (Leitner-case, Rechberger-case, Merkur-case). 6. Travel contract, conditions of tour operator licence, tour operator liability rules, EU consumer protection policy. Definition of "package", package-problems, organizer/retailer insolvency, unfair terms in consumer contracts. 7. Air carrier liability rules, EU Regulation 261/2004, Montreal Convention, ECJ decisions (Emirates-case, Air Baltic-case, Air Italia and Air France-cases). ECJ 			

	<p>awarded compensations for consequences of delay, cancellation, denied boarding.</p> <p>8. Hotels, liability of hoteliers, Paris Convention, hotel rating systems HSU, the new accomodation trend: AirBnB.</p> <p>9. Cruise law, EU cruise law (EC Regulation 392/2009, EC Regulation 1177/2010) the Athen Convention, the Reederei-case.</p> <p>10. Conflict management: ADR, mediation. Mediation in the tourism, EU conflict management policy.</p>
Teaching methods:	Lectures: introduction of the main points and coherence and comprehension of the topics by the lecturer and discuss them with the students in dialogue
Course requirements, and evaluation	<p>The course is concluded with term mark.</p> <p>A term mark is given at the end of the course based on the evaluation of an essay.</p> <p>The evaluation is on scale of one to five.</p>
Compulsory literature:	<p>EEC Directive 90/314 on package travel (www.eur-lex.europa.eu)</p> <p>EU Regulation 261/2004 (Air carrier liability in case of delay, cancellation, denied boarding) www.eur-lex.europa.eu</p>