# Concept

The United Nations 70<sup>th</sup> General Assembly has made 2017 as the International Year of Sustainable Tourism for Development.



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It is a unique opportunity to raise awareness on the contribution of information and communication technologies (ICTs) to sustainable tourism for development in public and private sector decision-makers and the public, while mobilizing all stakeholders to work together in making tourism a catalyst for positive change.

### Location

Hangzhou is the capital city of Zhejiang Province in China, renowned for its historic relics and natural beauty. It is known as one of the most beautiful cities in China. One of Hangzhou's most popular sights is West Lake, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. It comprises numerous temples, pagodas, pavilions, gardens and ornamental trees, as well as causeways and artificial islands.

# Organizers

The UNESCO Chair in ICT to develop and promote sustainable tourism in World Heritage Sites at USI–Università della Svizzera italiana (Switzerland) is committed to perform extensive research and teaching on how ICT can be effectively exploited to develop and promote sustainable tourism at WHSs. This year it has partnered with ZJU–Zhengjiang University (Hangzhou city, Zhengjiang, China), which was established in 1897 and is one of top three universities in China.

## **Practical Information**

#### SUMMER SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Prof. Lorenzo Cantoni

USI – Università della Svizzera italiana Chair-holder of the UNESCO Scientific Co-Chairman

Prof. Lingqiang Zhou

ZJU – Zhejiang University
Dean of the Department of Tourism Management
Scientific Co-Chairman

Jingjing Lin, PhD Student (USI)

Project Manager (Switzerland side)

Qiuchen Zhu, PhD Student (ZJU)

Project Manager (China side)

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

Please send a complete CV and a one-page motivation letter to **unescochair@usi.ch** by <u>April 28, 2017.</u>
Acceptance will be notified by <u>May 15, 2017.</u>
Full payment needs to be done by June 30, 2017.

#### **FEE**

PRICE (RMB)	STUDENT*	NON- STUDENT	NON-STUDENT but IFITT MEMBER
Participate in Week 1 & 2 (about 25 participants)	6800	8900	7800
Participate only in Week 2 (about 60 participants)	900	1400	1100
Participate only in Virtual Summer School	700	1200	900
Participate only in IFITTtalk @Hangzhou	200	200	200

\*Student discounts apply only to FULL-TIME students with a certificate from their home University

Cancel policy: free cancellation before July  $15,\,2017$ , or else 50% payment will be charged.

#### **BOARD & LODGING**

For people attending Week 1 & 2, accommodation and meals are included in the fee. For people only attending Week 2, accommodation and meals are not included in the fee.

Università della Svizzera italiana





# Summer School ICT2ST4D

The contribution of ICTs to Sustainable Tourism for Development

Website: www.unescochair.usi.ch. (scan below)

AUGUST 14 - AUGUST 25, 2017 HANGZHOU, CHINA





## Summer School Structure

The Summer School is divided into two weeks, learners can apply either for both weeks, or just for the second one. It will be also possible to participate only in the IFITTtalk@Hangzhou.

# IFITT Talk@Hangzhou

Sponsored by IFITT, IFITTtalk@Hangzhou is a one-day event to be held on 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2017 (second week of Summer School) gathering academics and industry players together to share and discuss around the topic of smart tourism and big data.

## Virtual Summer School

It is designed as a virtual space for people, who are not able to physically attend this Summer School but would like to access materials and resources, and communicate with other participants.

## Languages

During the Summer School, English will be used as main language, while IFITTtalk@Hangzhou will be held in Chinese.

For Virtual Summer School, English will be the instruction language.

## Speakers (Provisional list)

Content Area	Instructor			
World Heritage Sites				
eTourism and WHS	Prof. Lorenzo Cantoni USI, Switzerland			
WHS in China	Prof. Lingqiang Zhou ZJU, China			
Communication Technologies				
eTourism and technologies	Dr. Liang Wang ZJU, China			
MOOCs in tourism and hospitality	Jingjing Lin USI, Switzerland			
Marketing and Social Media in Tourism	Dr. Markus Schuckert PolyU, Hong Kong			
Smart Tourism				
Smart Tourism and Big Data	Dr. Zheng Xiang Virginia Tech, USA			
Tourism Technology Management	Dr. Dan Wang PolyU, Hong Kong			
Smart Tourism in Tourism Development	Prof. Bihu Wu PKU, China			
Tourist Behavior in the Digital Era	Dr. Maoying Wu ZJU, China			
Sustainable Tourism				
Sustainable Tourism and Destination Management	Dr. Tianyu Ying ZJU, China			
Web-based Tourism Innovation and Sustainability	Dr. Jiaying Lü ZJU, China			
Authenticity of Cultural Tourism	Qiuchen Zhu ZJU, China			

# **Participants**

#### Researchers

Advanced Master students PhD candidates Post-Docs

#### **Practitioners**

World Heritage Site managers Destination managers Interested tourism professionals



# Why To Participate

- Strengthen your knowledge through seminars by renowned instructors
- Connect to state-of-the-art research and case studies
- Present your own relevant research and receive feedbacks
- Network with academics and practitioners
- Experience various Chinese traditional cultures and World Heritage Sites
- Understand smart tourism in supporting and enriching World Heritage Sites