

UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

SYLLABUS DEL CORSO

Controllo delle Aziende Turistiche (blended)

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Learning objectives

The objective of the course is to provide students with an integrated view of managerial and strategic control in tourism companies, with particular focus on decision-making processes, measurement and reporting systems, and their social, economic, and environmental impact.

Contents

The course covers the main topics related to corporate governance and control, focusing the analysis on the tourism industry.

Detailed program

Introduction to Control and Corporate Governance in Tourism Companies

Definition of control: strategic and operational function

Corporate governance in the tourism industry

Stakeholders and decision-making dynamics

KPIs and business control

Role of control in sustainability and social responsibility

The tourism context between volatility and adaptability: impact of digitalization, consumer trends, crises, and opportunities

General Management Control and Its Application in Tourism Companies

Definition and objectives of management control

Differences between financial and managerial control

Control tools in tourism companies: hotels, tour operators, airlines Decision-making process and control: who decides what?

Budgeting and strategic planning

The Different Phases of Control in Tourism Companies

Ex-ante control (forecasting and planning)

Ongoing control (monitoring and adaptation)

Real-time analysis tools and techniques

Rapid intervention models in critical situations

Ex-post control (evaluation and continuous improvement)

Performance analysis and feedback

Creation of improvement plans

Information and Economic Measurement for Control

The value of information in tourism management

Key economic and managerial indicators

Quantitative and qualitative data for control

Case study: how to read and interpret data in the tourism sector

Technological tools for data analysis (CRM, Business Intelligence, Big Data)

Reporting and Control Systems in Tourism Companies

Objectives of reporting for management control

Types of reports: financial, operational, customer experience, sustainability

Automation and digitalization of reporting

Reporting as a communication tool with stakeholders

Revenue Management and Performance Optimization

From pricing to revenue management: maximizing service value

Customer segmentation and offer personalization

Demand management techniques in the hotel and airline sectors

Digital tools for revenue management

Service Quality Control and Customer Satisfaction

The value of service and quality perception

Customer satisfaction indicators and complaint management

Monitoring online reviews and impact on reputation

Best practices for improving perceived quality

Sustainability Control and Social Responsibility in Tourism Companies

Economic, environmental, and social sustainability in tourism

The role of control in managing environmental impact

Standards and certifications for sustainable tourism

Social balance and green reporting

Personnel Control and Productivity in Tourism Companies

Work organization and productivity in the tourism sector

Managing seasonal peaks and operational flexibility

Motivation and turnover: how to monitor human capital

Personnel performance indicators

Digitalization and Innovation in Control for Tourism Companies

Big Data and Artificial Intelligence for managerial control

Automation and management software

Monitoring market trends through digital tools

Evolution of control with the Metaverse and the Internet of Things

Case study on a tourism company using advanced technologies for control

Prerequisites

Basic knowledge of business economics and management.

Teaching methods

The course will be conducted in a blended format, including lectures, in-depth sessions led by experts and group activities to be arranged with the professor.

Assessment methods

ATTENDING STUDENTS:

50% written exam 50% group project work

NON-ATTENDING STUDENTS:

Written exam

Textbooks and Reading Materials

Capocchi, Alessandro. (2012). *L'Azienda Turismo. Principi e metodologie economico-aziendali*. Milan : McGraw-Hill. (For exam preparation, the study is limited to chapters 1, 2, and 6). Materials provided during lectures.

Any readings and documents uploaded to the platform will be considered exam material.

Semester

Second semester

Teaching language

Italian

Sustainable Development Goals

GENDER EQUALITY | DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH | INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE | SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES