

Special Issue

Sustainable Religious Tourism

Message from the Guest Editors

Originally, the expression religious tourism referred to religious places, but religious tourism is a practice related to the evolving concept of “sacred space”, which today refers to postmodern and “more than representational” approaches. Symbolic performances maintain and renew the value of sacred spaces. As a result, different practices are associated to religious tourism, such as pilgrimage. In addition, there are new emerging “sacred places”, whose importance is not necessary bound to officially recognized religions. Considering this postmodern approach, the aim of the Special Issue is to explore the permanence and emergence of religious places that leave their imprints on the territory and characterize it thanks to their different practices. This diverse “spatial use” supposes a new territorial organization that poses some issues in terms of sustainable tourism practices and management. For further reading, please visit the [Special Issue website](#).

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