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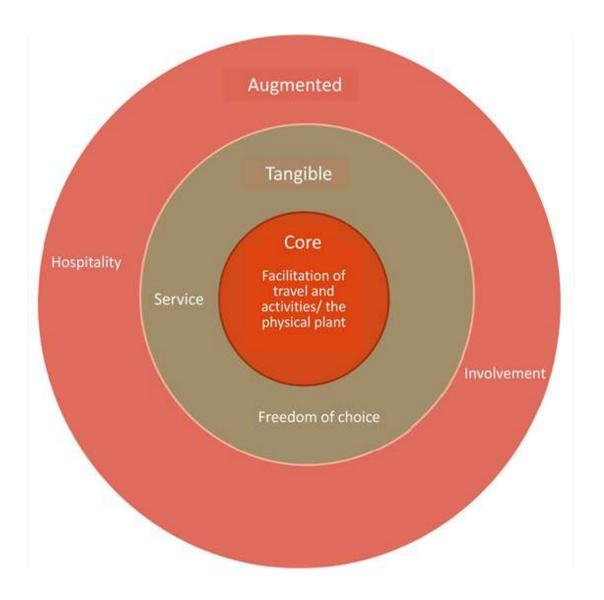








# What is a tourism product?



# Tourism product portfolio

### NATURE



- · Natural Park
- · Itineraries and routes
- · Fountains
- · Picnic areas
- · Etc.

# CULTURE & HERITAGE



- Gastronomy
- Pilgrimage
- Architecture & heritage
- Events
- Museum
- · Etc.

### SPORTS



- · Winter sports (ski, snow,
- sleds, etc.)
- Fishing
- Hunting
- Mountain Bike routes
- Motor sports
- · Etc.

# SPECIAL INTEREST



- Mushroom piquing
- Speleology
- Canoeing
- Climbing
- Horse riding
- Paragliding
- Etc.

### **EVENTS**



- Local festivities
- Concerts
- Local folklore
- Popular events
- · Etc.

### RURAL TOURISM

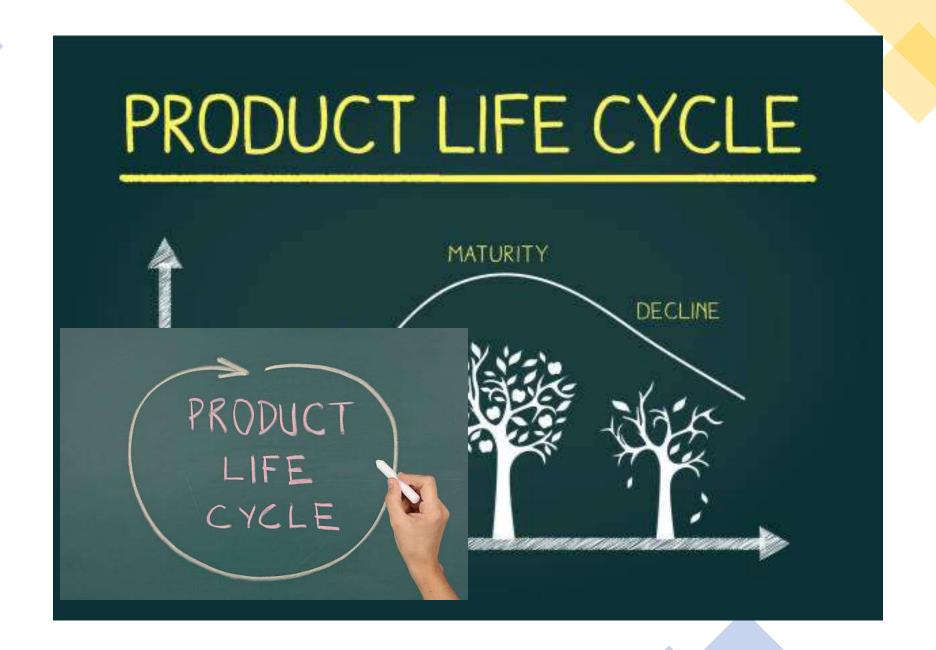


Rural activities



### Characteristics of Tourism Products





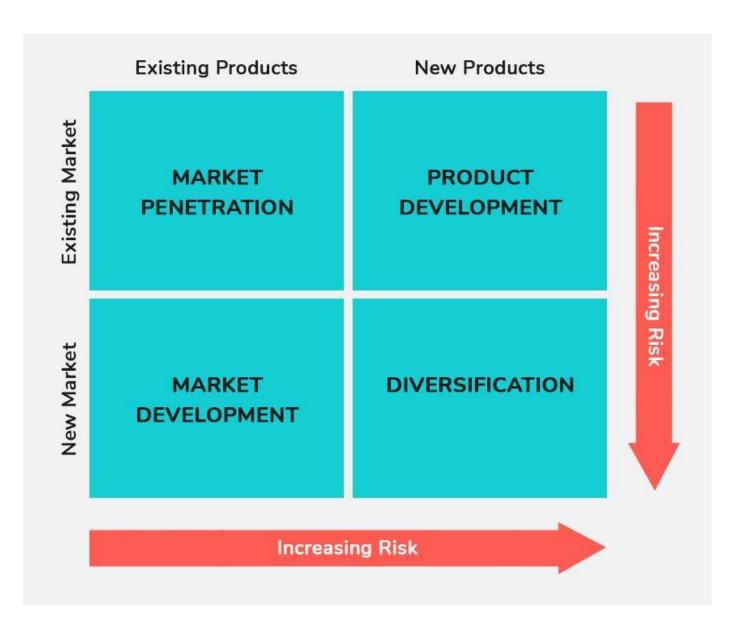
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# Why diversify?

Diversification in tourism destinations has become increasingly necessary because of the evolution of the tourism industry

Demand-side as well as supply-side market trends have led destinations to consider product diversification

Reconsidering and better understanding their market segments due to demographic changes, demand for more varied tourism products, and need for better value for money

Changes in demand for more varied tourism products, and need for better value for money

Conditions, environmental matters and tourism seasonality have contributed to an increasing need for product diversity.

Gain and maintain competitive advantage, have to make sure to offer a mix of diverse products, which can have synergies and linkages among them.

# DIVERSIFICATION STRATEGY

NEW PRODUCTS AND NEW MARKETS FOR SUSTAINABLE GROWTH







Proactive tourism destinations, organisations and business enterprises must constantly look for the diversification of the Tourism product

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# What is diversification?

Diversification refers to the expansion of a product or a sector into a new market rather than specialising in a single-product.

Firms may choose to enter new fields seeking diversification rather than innovating within the same market.

In addition, firms implementing diversification strategies may use different types of innovation—product, process, radical or incremental—to enter new markets [

The Tourism Product Diversification and Marketing Program can help you re-invent, improve or expand your tourism product and operation to meet future market demands by providing funding for business planning, product development and packaging as well as marketing.

The diversification, intensification and linkage of these products can be crucial for the competitiveness and sustainable development of destinations.



Tourism sectoral diversification which are germane for tourism as a prioritised area or a target market

Strategic approaches



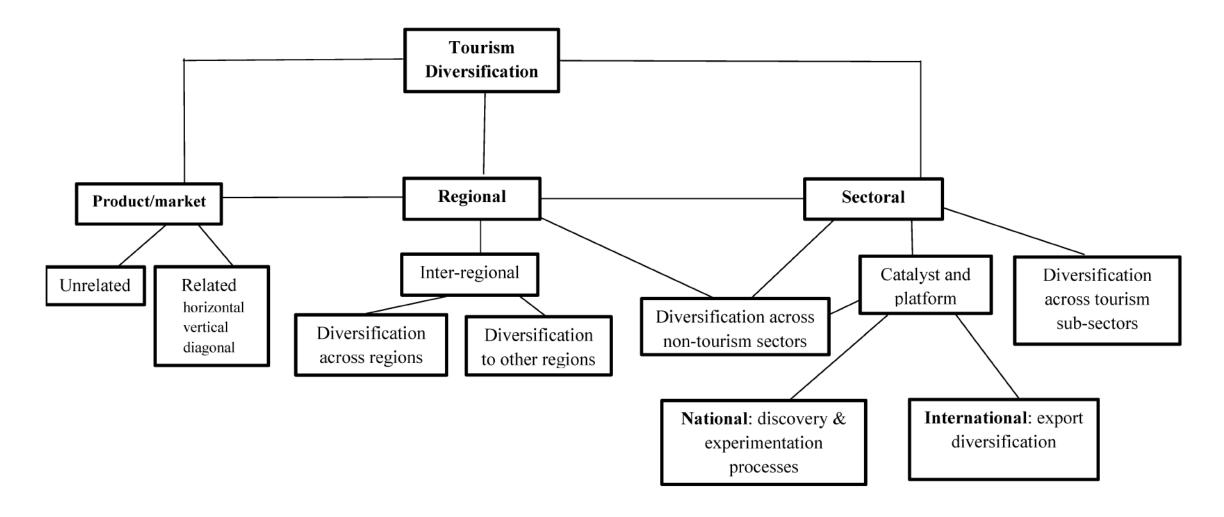
Diversification across tourism subsectors

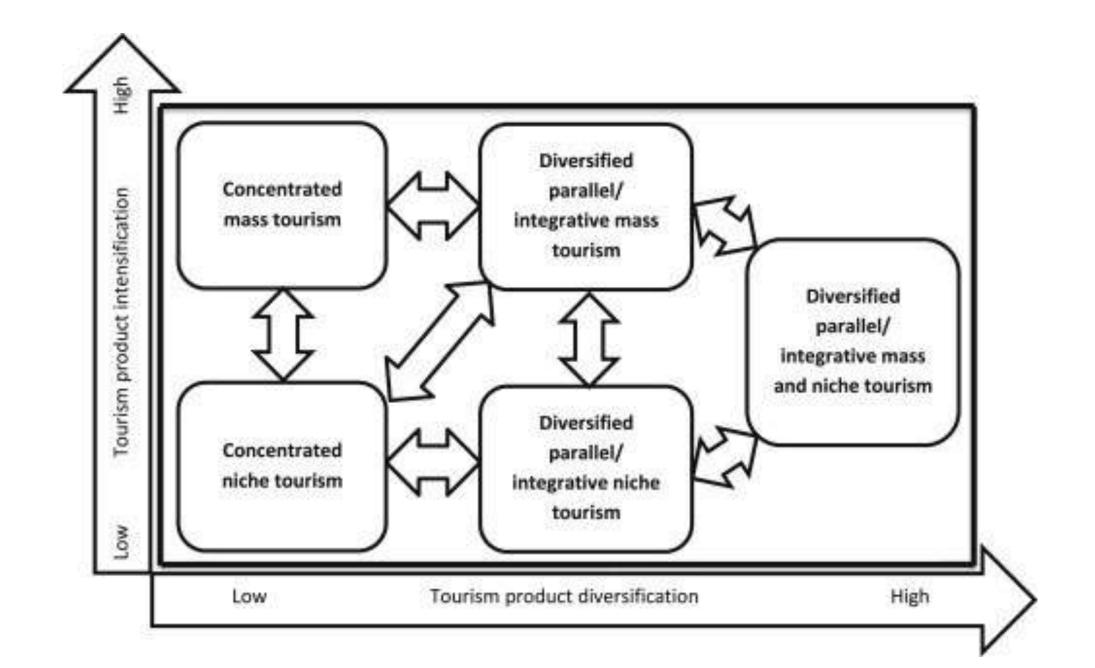


Platform and a catalyst for diversification across other sectors.

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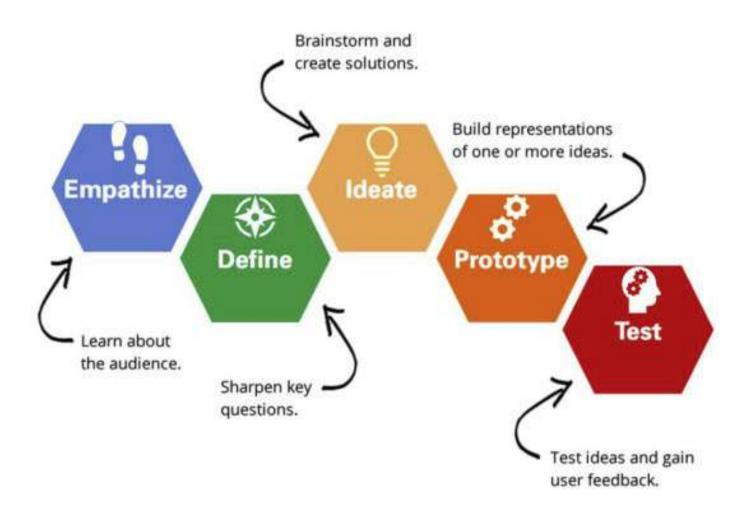
## **Diversification Strategies**





# Process of

diversification



# Examples of diversification

Just one or a few tourism products (whether mass tourism or alternative tourism products), into other products that attract tourists with more specialist interests (and thus generally fewer tourists), such as through diversification into ecotourism, cultural tourism, and sport tourism.

Other destinations (again whether focused on mass tourism or alternative tourism) may seek to diversify into tourism products that are large-scale, or draw on standardised international features, or attract large numbers of tourists, such as resorts that develop golf courses, marinas and conference and

May involve developing products that closely relate to existing destination products, such as the diversification of beach tourism to include outdoor and indoor water sports.

On the other hand, it can involve diversification into highly different products, such as by connecting mass tourism products, such as beach resorts, with alternative tourism products, such as wildlife safaris and cultural tourism

# MODEL OF DIVERSIFICATION

Process design Constitution of the working group Gate 4 Strategy and aims formulation **Evaluation of results** Design Storyline definition Redesign the process Definition of stages Definition of attractions and activities Definition of experiences Introduction Co-creation According to target segments and aims - design of marketing campaigns on appropriate channels Gate 1 Decision: Continue / Core reformulate/ give up resources Introduction **Evaluation** Concept Gate 3 Decision: Continue / Transformative Tools experiences Theme Evaluation Development Economic, legal and Service blueprint competitive evaluation Visitor management Compatibility analysis Ensure well-being of visitors Project authorization Staff training Test before market introduction • Development Decision: Continue / retreat or guit based on financial, legal or competitive criteria

# TOURISM AS SHARING ECONOMY



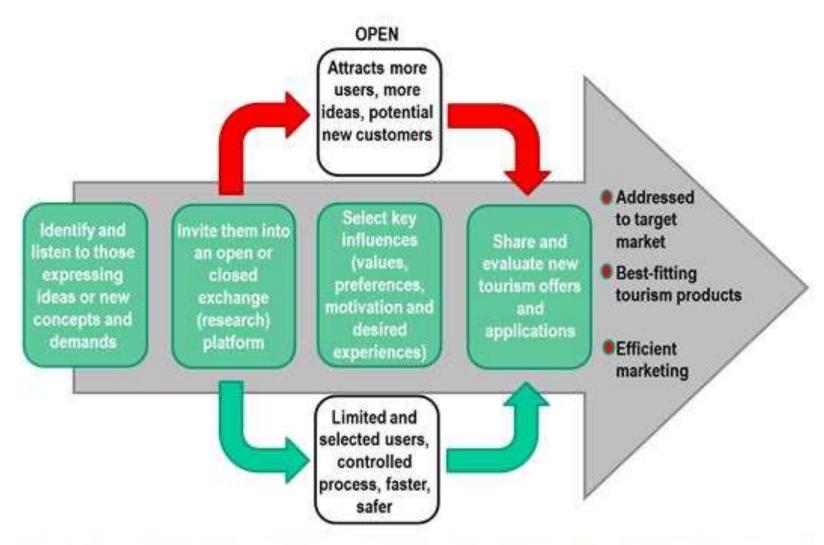


Figure 1: Concept of Co-creation (changed after Pröbstl-Haider and Lampl 2015)



# How to diversify

- Develop large-scale tourism products (i.e., marinas, casinos, golf courses, conference and exhibitions centre), generally aimed at attracting up-market visitors, but with features of large, mass tourism markets, given the significant number of tourists brought to the destination (Bramwell, 2004b);
- Develop alternative tourism products that emphasize particular characteristics of a destination, such as cultural, historical, ecological aspects. These are usually provided on a small scale, at least at the beginning
- Create linkages between diversified tourism products, thus creating complementarities and synergies such as MICE
- Infuse innovation to serve the target audience and offer betwe value for money

# The lesson



# In Conclusion





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