

## CO-CREATING THE FUTURE OF TOURISM

Call for submissions on

### TOURISM IN NATURAL AND PROTECTED AREAS

Thematic session at the INVTUR 2017 Conference

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In order to complement the regular program with emerging topics in tourism research, the INVTUR 2017 conference on “Co-creating the Future of Tourism” will include a thematic session on “Tourism in natural and protected areas”. INVTUR 2017 aims to stimulate discussion and to introduce new approaches to explore emerging paradigms of value and knowledge co-creation in the marketplace that will lay the foundations for a new tourism ecosystem. This session addresses the conference aims by providing an opportunity of discussion concerning the importance of fragile ecosystems and protected natural areas in the development of tourism activities. Also, it will be an opportunity to discuss the interaction between natural and cultural environments and tourism motivations to visit natural areas.

The thematic session seeks submissions, in English, that attempt to address the following key issues, including (but not limited to) the following themes:

- Linkage between tourism and natural areas;
- Tourism in natural and protected areas;
- Tourist motivations for nature-based tourism;
- Accessible tourism in natural areas;
- Linkage between tourism and environmental education;
- Linkage between cultural tourism and nature-based tourism;
- Ecotourism development;
- Sustainable tourism development;
- Tourism and ecosystems services;
- Environmental impacts of tourism.

Extended abstracts (up to 6,000 characters), full papers or posters should be submitted electronically by October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016 to Filomena Martins ([filomena@ua.pt](mailto:filomena@ua.pt)) and Helena Albuquerque ([helena.albuquerque@ua.pt](mailto:helena.albuquerque@ua.pt)). Papers presented at the session will be considered for publication in a special issue of the Journal of Tourism and Development published by the University of Aveiro. For further information regarding submission guidelines, conference fees and program, accommodation, how to get to the conference venue, and registration forms, please visit the INVTUR 2017 conference website: <http://www.ua.pt/invtur/>.