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become the main motive for the holiday decision.

Regardless of forms in which it develops, tourism must meet sustainability criteria. Tourism development can have both positive and negative impacts on destinations. Sustainable tourism development attempts to find a balance between these impacts to create an improved quality of life for the host community and the destination. The World Commission on Economic Development (WCED) describes sustainable development as “development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs”. Sustainable tourism is clearly a complex

and diverse issue, which as the world develops, will become an increasingly significant part of a growing tourism industry. The challenge of sustainable tourism development is to make use of tourism’s positive impacts, enhancing and channeling the benefits into the right directions, and to avoid or mitigate the negative impacts as far as possible.

This paper analyzes natural and anthropogenic tourism resources in the special nature reserve Deliblato sands, which need to be strengthened to make real opportunities for sustainable tourism development in the study region.

Key words: sustainable tourism, Deliblato sands, tourism resources

Sustainable Tourism Development within the Lower Basin of the Danube

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Lower Basin of the Danube represents main resource base for tourism development. That development can contribute to both realization of the additional economic effects and local community progress. Tourism development has to be in accordance with environment capacity and it has to be based on sustainable development principles. In order to achieve the desired results, tourism development has to be organized and based on institutional cooperation on national and international level. Globalization and macro regionalization enable international collaboration and common goals achievement. Those goals contribute to economic development of the whole region.

Main goal of this paper is presenting current level of tourism development with overview of the sustainable tourism development strengths and weakness and also its further upgrade possibilities. Focus will be on existing national and international tourism development strategic and results of the activities so far. Also, analysis of the difficulties and challenges which tourism developers faces during implementation will be executed. In the end, promotion ways of sustainable development for current and future generations will be defined.

Key words: sustainable, tourism, cooperation, strategy