Conclusion:

Social tourism – global challenges and approaches in the future

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General overview and main contributions

This book analysed social tourism across the world, exploring the theoretical foundations of this type of tourism with examples of practical implementations. Social tourism has a long history and is a dynamic, complex and multifaceted concept and therefore, both conceptual chapters and chapters with practical examples were included in this book. The contents of this book permit us to both look back and identify strategies to move forward.

Although the relevance of social tourism is widely recognised worldwide due to its important benefits for people, economies and society, considerable differences concerning the offer of social initiatives can be observed across the world. Different countries offer different social initiatives. Moreover, while this type of tourism is well established in some parts of the world, is almost unknown in others.

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