

Elective R 5.4: Digital Tourism Economy

Module Code		Workload	Credits	Semester	Frequency	Duration		
R 5.4		150 h	5 ECTS	5. Sem.	Every semester starting: WS 21/22	1 Semester		
1	Courses R543 Digital Economics vhb-Course: Hospitality Revenue Management, incl. Airlines/Tour Operators		Contact Time 2 SWS / 22,5 h Distance Learning eForum/Chat		Autonomous learning time 127,5 h	Planned group size 15-35 Students		
2	Learning outcomes / competences <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ability to analyze and evaluate digital transformation processes from an economic perspective Ability to analyze and evaluate electronic markets, business models & value chains based on microeconomic business and market models, network effects and growth models. Knowledge of the most important revenue management & pricing methods of the hospitality industry, of airlines and tour operators. Ability to evaluate the impacts of digital transformation and revenue management critically. 							
3	Content <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Digital economy, digital markets & digital transformation (in German until WiSe2021/22) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.1 Cost structures, and fixed cost economies of internet services, pricing and revenue stream management, classic market models, equilibrium analysis, pareto-optima; demand models, logit/probit-demand and conjoint-analysis. 1.2 Effects of digitalization on different market models: Chamberlin's monopolistic competition & chain/group building, Hotelling competition and Nash equilibria for mobile 4G/5G coverage, Cournot oligopoly vs. Bertrand's oligopoly (internet pricing competition), heterogeneous oligopolies and digital product differentiation, network economy, two-sided markets, platform-economy, direct & indirect network effects, English vs. Vickrey auctions: Analysis of Google Ad Words bid pricing by Varian as positioning auction, reverse pricing:models, Economics of 3D-printing, AI, Bitcoin,... 1.3 Digital transformation of the tourism-value-chain: new intermediaries, dis-/re-intermediation, innovation- and substitution, transaction cost economics – industrial economics perspective; new business models & critical success factors of digital tourism, digital goods as hybrids of information goods, system goods, network goods, media, services, club goods, etc. 2. Hospitality Revenue Management & Introduction to Airline & Tour Operator RM <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2.0 Revenue management as applied micro-economics and regional market analysis 2.1 Basic processes, methods & systems of hospitality & hotel revenue management: forecasting with demand calendars, booking pace, seasonal pricing, group/banquet pricing, multi-channel revenue management, RM key performance indicators, etc. 							

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	<p>2.2 Revenue management methodology: competitive benchmarking & pricing, optimization, forecasting, reports, RevSim/STR Hotel Revenue Management Business Simulation Game.</p> <p>2.3 Introduction into specific revenue management systems of airlines (network carriers vs. low-cost carriers) & tour operators and in the healthcare sector.</p> <p>2.4 Paths to a more sustainable Revenue Management</p>
4	Teaching Methods <i>eLearning Course vhb-Virtual University of Bavaria (www.vhb.org), seminar lecture with cases</i>
5	Participation Prerequisites formal: Access to a PC/Laptop with Internet & MS-Office substantial prerequisites: <i>Introduction to Tourism, Introduction IT in Tourism, Business Mathematics & Statistics, Introduction to Microeconomics, Marketing Basics.</i>
6	Examination Written examination 90 min
7	Prerequisites for the Allocation of Credit Points successful examination
8	Use of the Module (in other study programs): none
9	Factor for calculation of the degree grade: weighting with factor 1
10	Module Supervisor and Full-Time Teachers Prof. Dr. Goecke, Prof. Dr. Munz, N.N. (new Tourism Economics professorship)
11	Other information: Literature/References: Benckendorff, P.J., Xiang, Z., Sheldon, P., (2019) Tourism Information Technology, 3rd Edition, Cabi Wallingford & Boston Clement, R., Schreiber, D. (2019). Internet-Ökonomie. Grundlagen und Fallbeispiele der vernetzten Wirtschaft, Berlin Heidelberg Goecke, R. (2021) Revenue-Management-Systeme; in: Weithöner, U., Goecke, R., Kurz, R., Schulz, A., Digitaler Tourismus – Informationsmanagement im Tourismus, 3. Aufl. De Gruyter, München und Berlin (in Druck) Goecke, R. (2015): Revenue-Management-Systeme; in: Schulz, A.; Weithöner, U.; Egger, R.; Goecke, R. (Hrsg.); eTourismus: Prozesse und Systeme, De Gruyter, München, S. 475-499. Gallego, G., Topaloglu, H. (2019): Revenue Management and Pricing Analytics (International Series in Operations Research & Management Science, Band 279), Springer Berlin. Goerlich, B.; Spalteholz, B. (2020): Total Revenue Management im Hotel; DEHOGA Berlin Gönsch, J.; Klein, R.; Steinhardt, C. (2016); o.J.: Dynamic Pricing – State of the Art; http://ssm.com/abstract=2179225 (Zugriff April 2021) Harmon, M. (2012): Step-By-Step Optimization with Excel Solver; http://www.ExcelMasterSeries.com (Zugriff 12.9.2020)

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