

Workshop on Impact Assessment, Evaluation and Monitoring of Research Infrastructures.

Experience on Socio-Economic Impact Analysis at CERN

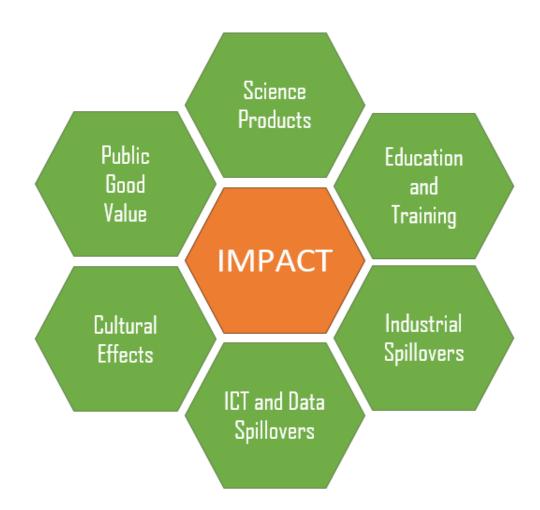
Cultural Value of Tourism at CERN

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IMPACT PATHWAYS





HOW WE ESTIMATE CULTURAL VALUE

- **Consume time** value of presence in **traditional media**.
 - Non specialized press articles
 - Books
 - TV, movies, radio
- Consume time value in social media.
 - Read time value of posts (Tier 0)
 - Write time value of referring posts (Tier 1)
 - Read time value of referring posts and reactions (Tier 2)
- Consume time value of Webpages.
- Consume time value of YouTube.
- Spending and time value of on-site visitors.
 - Groups
 - Individuals





MOTIVATION TO REVISE VALUE OF ONSITE VISITORS

- Study 2012 2016 estimated the value based on **Travel Cost Method**.
- This **method underestimated the actual economic value**, since it focuses on the distance based travel cost and the travel time value.
- The method is not exact, since the origin of the visitors was not known.
- For future estimates: a first hand observation based value estimation, will be required.







- Survey based on anonymous questionnaire of onsite visitors at CERN, over one year.
 - June '18 May '19.
- Elucidate actual spendings per person, related to the visit.
- Identify causal relationship with visit.
 - CERN as primary goal, which leads to further regional impacts.
 - Visit to the region, combined with a visit to CERN.





QUESTIONNAIRE IN MULTIPLE LANGUAGES

| Your age: | | | | | |
|---|--|-------------------------|--------------|--|--|
| □ < 18 □ 18 - 25 | □ 26 - 35 | □ 36 - 65 | □ > 65 | | |
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| Country of travel orig | in: | | | | |
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| How many days does your visit in the region last? | | | | | |
| 🗆 1 day | 🗆 1 – 3 days | 🗆 4 – 7 days | □ > 7 days | | |
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| How did you travel to | | | | | |
| 🗆 Bus | 🗆 Train / tram | 🗆 Plane | 🗆 Car / taxi | | |
| How far did you travel to get to CERN? | | | | | |
| □ less than 50 km | \Box 50 – 500 km | 501 1500 km | □ > 1500 km | | |
| | □ 50 – 500 km | 🗆 501 – 1500 km | □ > 1500 km | | |
| How much did you sp | How much did you spend on accommodation? | | | | |
| □ 0 € □ up to 100 | € 🛛 🗆 up to 200 € | E □ up to 500 € | □ > 500 € | | |
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| How much did you spend on the travel (tickets, fuel, toll, etc.)? | | | | | |
| □ up to 50 € | □ up to 100 € | □ up to 500 € | □ > 500 € | | |
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| How much do you spend daily on transport in the region? | | | | | |
| □0€ | □ up to 10 € | □ up to 20 € | □ > 20 € | | |
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| | | and food in the region? | | | |
| □0€ | □ up to 70 € | □ up to 150 € | □ > 150 € | | |
| How much do you spend on visiting other sites (museum, exhibition)? | | | | | |
| | | i | □ > 200 € | | |
| $\Box 0 \in \Box \text{ up to } 50 \in \Box \text{ up to } 100 \in \Box \text{ up to } 200 \in \Box > 200 \in \Box$ | | | | | |
| How much do you spend on souvenirs? | | | | | |
| □ 0 € □ up to 50 | | 0 € □ up to 200 € | □ > 200 € | | |
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VARIABLES USED FOR ANALYSIS



Duration of travel: time value.

- Cost of travel: direct cost.
- Accommodation: direct cost.
- Transport in the region: direct cost.
- Food: direct cost.
- Further visits: entrance fees.
- Regional purchases: direct cost.





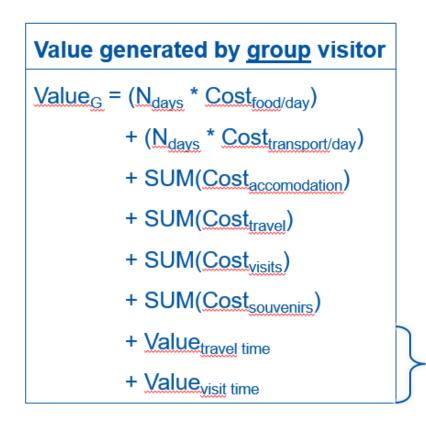
TYPES OF VISITS

- Visit motivated by CERN's research.
 - The original motivation is the fundamental scientific research carried out at CERN.
 - **100% of the indicated spendings are considered** for the economic value generation, since the travel would not be performed without the existence of CERN and its research activities.
 - People of this visit category, often travel as part of a group.
- Visit to CERN in addition to travel to the region.
 - **50% of the people** travelling to the region know that CERN exists and plan also a visit to CERN.
 - Only 50% of the individuals' spendings are considered to be in causal relation with CERN.
 - The time value of regional travel and the visit to CERN is considered for all individual visitors.









Value generated by individual visitor

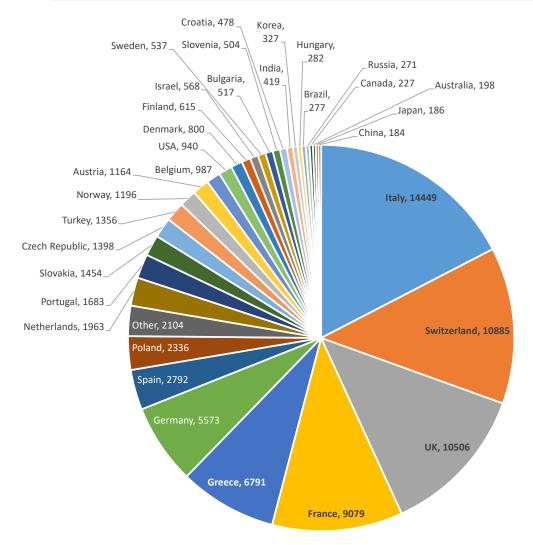
- Value₁ = Cost_{food/day}
 - + Cost_{transport/day}
 - + Value_{2h transport time}
 - + Value_{3h visit time}

Not further considered in this specific study, but will be included in future estimates





COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN



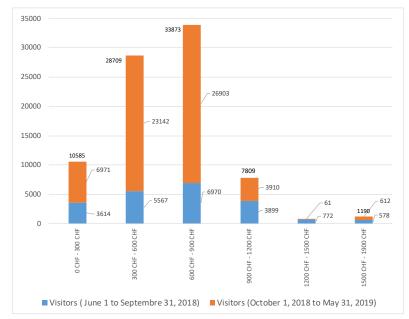


YEARLY ECONOMIC VALUE GENERATION

Result obtained through 900 validated form - based inquires that were extrapolated to a total of 120'000 visitors (83'000 as part of groups and 37'000 individual visitors).

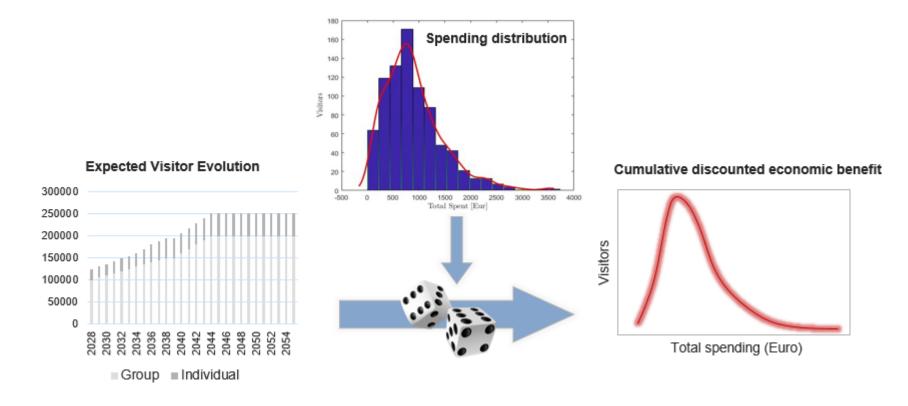
| | Group visitors |
|----------|----------------|
| Summer | 21'400 |
| Winter | 61'600 |
| Per year | 83'000 |

| | Spending | Time value |
|-------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Groups | 53.2 MChf | 11.8 MChf (24h) |
| Individuals | 17.6 MChf | 1.5 MChf (5h) |
| Per year | 70.8 MChf | 13.3 MChf |
| Total | ca. 84 MChf / year | |





RESULT AS INPUT FOR MC SIMULATION



The plot permitted to develop a spending distribution that will be used for a Monte - Carlo simulation based socio - economic impact analysis, of the Future Circular Collider project.





CONCLUSIONS

- Survey confirms that curiosity about the **fundamental scientific research performed at CERN, motivates people to make a trip.**
 - Even if the distance is long and the stay needs to be extended.
 - <u>People voluntarily invest time and money for being close to the scientists exploring</u> the origins of the universe.
- The main visit period is from autumn to spring.
 - CERN offers an activity that is highly complementary to traditional leisure activities in spring and summer.
- The one year survey based **analysis**, **created a reliable spending distribution**.
 - Will be used for analysing the expected economic benefits for a Future Circular Collider at CERN.
- The work revealed that long term systematic sampling of visitors at CERN would be required.
 - To confirm the results and to ensure that the content creation matches well the visitors expectations, and thus, ensures a continued attractivity of the research infrastructure.



I appreciate your questions concerning what I have presented to you.

THANK YOU

