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Travel makes one modest. the impulse to travel is one of the hopeful symptoms of life. The tourism is the best dreams happen when you're awake .Tourism is cherished by everyone though age doesn't comes as a barrier to travel. Tourism boosts the revenue of the economy, creates thousands of jobs, develops the infrastructures of a country, and plants a sense of cultural exchange between foreigners and citizens. Tourism was one of the first sectors to be deeply impacted by the pandemic, as measures introduced to control the coronavirus led to a near-complete cessation of tourism activities around the world. The sector also risks being among one of the last to recover, with the ongoing travel restrictions and the global recession.

Tourism is one of the most important sectors of the Greek economy and a key pillar of economic growth. Our country comes in 13th place in the world rating of tourist destinations since, according to the National Statistical Service , it receives more than 30 million tourists every year. Our country presented a 'White Paper on Recommendations for Restarting tourism' on behalf of UNWTO's European COVID-19 Task Force.

To Revoke Tourism after Covid-19 our country had taken optimum effort by vaccinating employees of tourism sector with the general population, according to government planning. Until their vaccination, all employees are obliged to undergo tests twice per week (self-test or rapid test). Furthermore, they are encouraged to test even more frequently, in order to ensure timely isolation. Covid negative certificate is required for all tourists those enter Greece. Fully vaccinated travelers are exempt from the pre-arrival PCR test requirement, but they must present proof of vaccination .All unvaccinated travelers must have proof of a negative PCR COVID test result that was obtained within 72 hours before entry to our country or proof of recovery from COVID-19.All travelers will be subject to random rapid testing on arrival. If they test positive, they will undergo further PCR testing and must stay in a quarantine hotel for up to 10 days.

Greece has become in recent years a destination for Ecotourism . During their stay in Greece, visitors must follow all precaution measures for covid-19 that apply to Greek citizens. Our government also surveys the health protocols are being strictly followed. Tourism in modern-day, Greece started to flourish in the 1960s and 1970s, in what became known as Mass tourism. and traces its roots on ancient times.

The Greece is more than a country. Greece is a very safe country to travel . Tourists are unlikely to experience any crime or violence.

Steps for rebuilding tourism better forward.

- improve traveler confidence
- understand and track new market trends and the drivers of demand
- commit to build more resilient and inclusive tourism sectors
- leveraging renewed interest in sustainability – an important takeaway in the long term

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