

# **EUROPARC Conference 2022**

#### COMMUNICATING IN THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY?

Question your mindset!



# Mind Factory 15





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### What are we doing today?



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#### Let's break the ice!



What is your animal alter ego?

Adjective – first letter of your first name Animal – first letter of your second name





#### The power of social media...



#### Potentially, our reach is unlimited...









# Our Protected Areas are laboratories for sustainable development





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#### National parks • This article is more than 1 year old

'The litter was a shock': 2020's Coviddriven rush on UK national parks

In lockdown, beauty spots such as Snowdonia attracted new visitors -but also fires, parking rows and 'fly-camping' © Coronavirus -latest updates © See all our coronavirus coverage



Fri 1 Jan 2021 10.30 GMT

Cars parked illegally on the clearway near Pen-y-Pass, Snowdonia, in the summer. Photograph: Snowdonia National Park Authority

For some years, Britain's national parks have been wrestling with the same conundrum: how to attract a broader range of visitors.

This summer, they got what they all thought they wanted: the biggest influx of new visitors in their history. With foreign travel off the agenda for most and the shops closed, people who had never before walked up a hill, let alone worn Gore-Tex, heading to their nearest national park as soon as lockdown restrictions were eased.

https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2021/jan/01/the-litter-was-a-shock-2020-covid-rush-on-uk-national-parks

The DNPA, which is made up of members appointed by councils and the government, argues the park's bylaws need to be updated because of an increase in large groups camping beside roads, lighting fires and leaving behind piles of rubbish during the pandemic. Rangers recorded 199 so-called "fly-camping" incidents, including overnight stays in camper vans, in 2020. So far this year there have been 70 similar incidents. The proposed changes would also allow the authority to ban camping in other parts of the moor without a full consultation.

https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2021/sep/25/call-of-the-wild-planned-dartmoor-crackdown-will-penalise-campers

#### Corona verhoogt druk op natuurgebieden nog verder

Daor de coronacrisis is het dit jaar een stuk drukker in natuurgebieden, en dat zorgt voor geluidsoverlast, afval en schade. Dat blijkt uit een rondgang van het tv-programma De Monitor onder 158 boswachters en boa's.





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i belangrijkste rheidsnieuws van de dag



VISITORS' LITTER

Snowdonia bosses continue to deal with problem parking and visitors' litter

Bob Smith, Editor Friday 13 August 2021 07:58 PM GMT No subsequent updates have been made



destinations.

grough

the inside view of the outdoor world

A spokesperson said: "Since the end of the first Covid-19 lockdown, Snowdonia has seen unprecedented numbers of visitors to the national park.

tps://www.grough.co.uk/magazine/2021/08/13/snowdonia-bosses-continue-to-deal-with-problem-parking-and-visitors-litte

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#### Tourists' cars may be banned from most popular parts of Lake District

National park chief wants to bring in more sustainable transport to stop worsening congestion



■ May bank holiday in Bowness on Windermere. 'It feels like we are at peak car,' says Richard Leafe, chief executive of the Lake District national park. Photograph: Gordon Shoosmith/Alan For most of the years he explored his beloved Lakeland fells, Alfred Wainwright arrived by bus, carefully timing his descents so he never mis the last service back to Kendal.

Thirty years after his death, more than 90% of the Lake District's 19 milli annual visitors arrive by car, seeking - perhaps ironically - the unspoiled views, clean air and stunning scenery Wainwright extolled in his Pictoria

https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2021/nov/14/tourists-car may-be-banned-from-most-popular-parts-of-lake-district



Freizeitdruck durch Corona: Schaden für Feld, Flur und Fauna

Naherholung steht im Lockdown hoch im Kurs. Doch nicht alle verhalten sich wie "Gäste" in der heimischen Natur - mit teils gravierenden Folgen für Flora und Fauna. Umweltschützer und andere Landnutzer mahnen mehr Rücksicht an.



In der Coronakriste hat sich von allem die Zahl der Ratter sprungshaft erhöht, zudem sind viele Menschen in Ihrer Freisteit auch auf Schutstes Rappen" und "auf den Hnund" gekommen. Der <u>Publikamsenskehr</u> hat aber nicht nur an öhnehltn bekannten Berenpunkten wie dem <u>Wahlemase</u> oder dem <u>Hatonalbark</u>. Bagerischer Walle dertem zugenommen, auch an bisher weng frequentierten Orten tummeln sich nun nahezu nurd um die UM Menschen.

Overtourism: Haben die Sehnsuchtsorte zu spät reagiert

https://www.br.de/nachrichten/bayern/freizeitdruck-durch-corona-schaden-fuerfeld-flur-und-fauna, SWFCpNA

#### Let's check in...



# Where could your Park improve?



### Always think about your A - B - Cs

#### PERSONA AVATAR

Persona name:

(fictitious person)

Age:

What are their values and goals in personal life?	
	other notes
Since COVID-19?	
What are their hobbies and interests?	

Job title: Where do they live?

What are their pains and challenges in day-today life?

Since COVID-19?

Why would they be approaching your services?

What elements of your services are they most likely to interact with?







#### Let's hear it!





#### • Presentation time...



#### Time for a break





Coffee is served @ "VITAVESTA" → number 7 on the map.

We are currently around number 7





### Let's inquire...

- What is a piece of communication your are proud of?
- What were the different elements of the best practice examples? Top 5 tips





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### How can we help?





• How can EUROPARC help reach your target audience and resolve issues through communications?





# Final questions, comments?

• & group picture time!

# Up next...



• Market Place @ Seewinkelhalle (main room)