In the past several years, Green Growth has become a strategic response to climate change and increasing populations, demanding inclusion, while using more and more basic resources.

The travel and tourism sector – “Travelism” – has been identified as key in this strategy. This sector is a major contributor to jobs creation, GDP, investment and trade.

However, the impacts of the industry in terms of carbon emissions, resource usage and intensive people movement have not been effectively measured or managed.

**How can “Travelism” be transformed into a driver of sustainable development and green growth?**

**What real changes are needed to reduce Carbon emissions and what is the role of Europe in driving these changes on a global context?**

**How can we bring developing communities and green growth together?**

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**Programme:**

12.00 – 12.30: Lunch and Networking
12.30 – 13.45: Impulse statements & open debate
13.45 – 14.30: Conclusions

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