

PhD Joint Seminar in Tourism Research 2026

08 - 09 June 2026
09:00 – 14:00 CEST
Place: Aula C4, Faculty of
Tourism, UdG

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Session I : What Makes Tourism Transformative in the Global South? Resilience, Entrepreneurship, and Inclusive Development from Below

(09:30 - 10:15) **Class from Dr. Esther Munyiri**
Kenyatta University, Kenya

(10:15 - 11:00) **Class from Prof. Albert N. Kimbu**
University of Surrey, United Kingdom

Session II: Presentations by PhD students

(11:50 - 12:30) **Presentation 1: Ziyu Zhang**
Tourism and Human-Elephant Conflicts in China: An Embodied Approach to Complex Coexistence

(12:30 - 13:10) **Presentation 2: Ena Juric**
From community well-being to firm competitiveness: the role of genuine CSR-driven sustainable sourcing in luxury hotels in Croatia

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Session III : Beyond publish or perish: Crafting quality scholarship in tourism research

(09:30 - 10:30) **Class from Dr. Shaohua Wang**
University of Girona

Session IV: Presentations by PhD students

(10:30 - 11:10) **Presentation 1: Gina Khamis**
Grief in the Air: Affective Atmospheres and Grief in Tourism Encounters

(11:50- 12:30) **Presentation 2: Yue Zhang**
Between Documenting and Defacing: Bicultural Coping with Anti-Tourism Hostility among Chinese International Student-Tourists in Europe

(12:30 - 13:10) **Presentation 3: Yifan Liu**
Fantasy Engagement and Psychological wellbeing in Offline Esports Spectatorship