



IV Mediterranean Forest Week (IV MFW) Barcelona

IV MFW - SESSION TOURISM AND FORESTS

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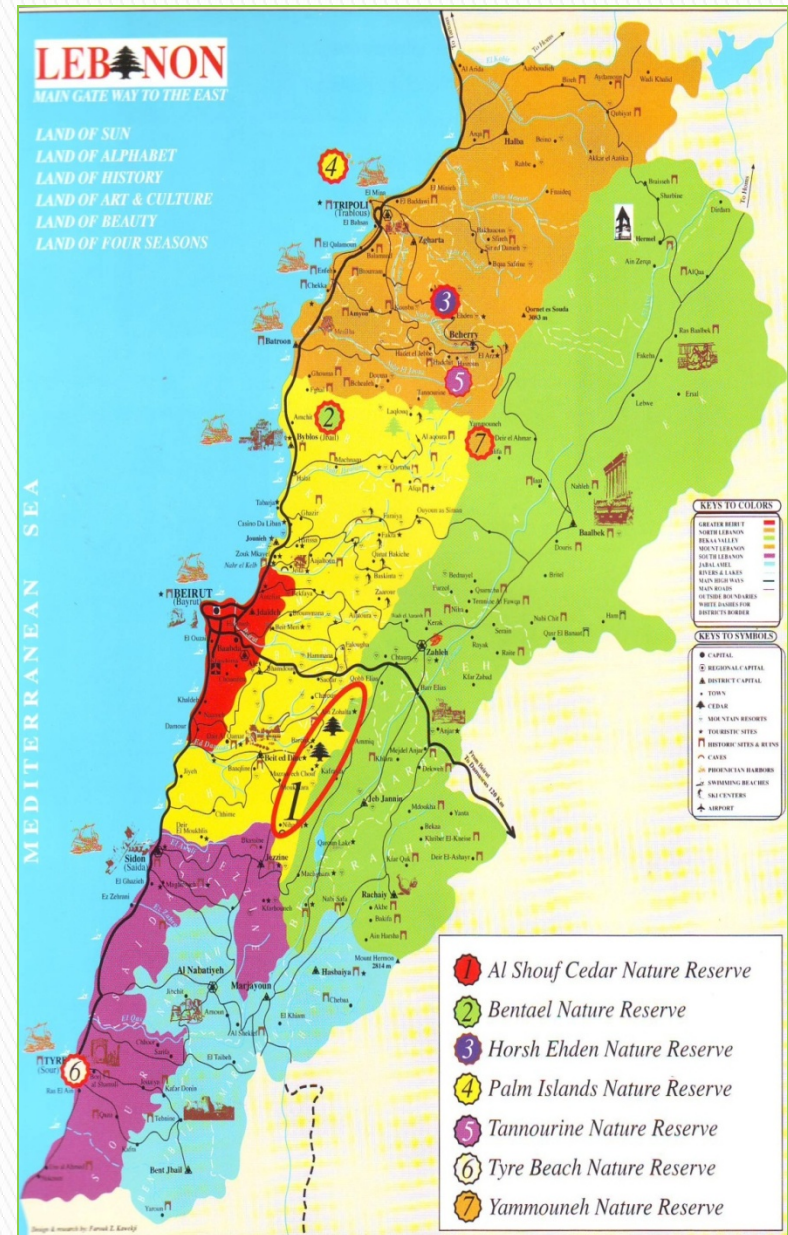
Lebanon



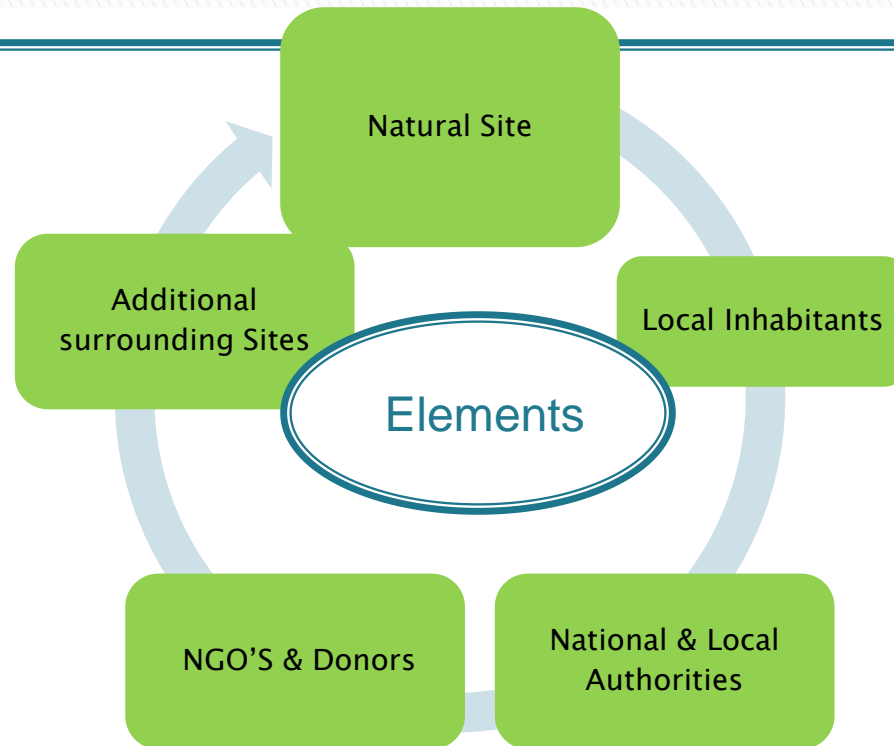
Forests In Lebanon Species and Location

- **Oak Forests:** low altitude western slopes Mount Lebanon
 - **Pine Forests :** Western slopes of Mount Lebanon
 - **Cedars :** Patches on Western slopes of mount Lebanon
 - **Fir:** Mainly North Lebanon With the cedars
 - **Juniper:** Patches on Eastern Slopes of the Mountain Chain Hermel
 - **Evergreen cypress:** Patches in Akkar, Ayto Ehden
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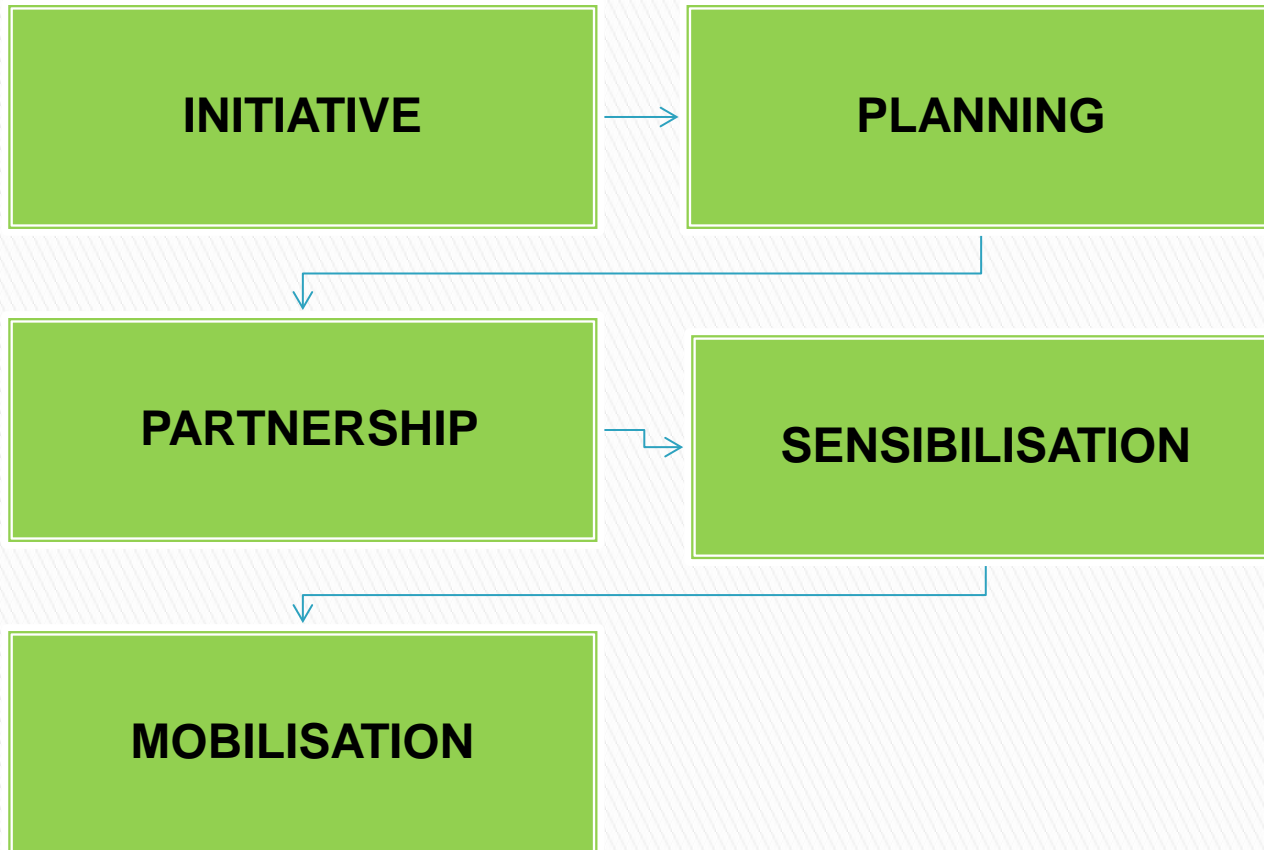
Name of the Site	Superficies/ha	Altitude	Date of Recognition	Number of visitors/year
Shouf Biosphere	15647	900/2000	1992/2005	60000/70000
Becharre Cedar Grove	12	2000	1996	30000/33000
Ehden Reserve	1740	1200/1900	1992	10000
Jabal Moussa Biosphere	6500	350/1700	2008	10000



WHAT IS Sustainable Tourism?



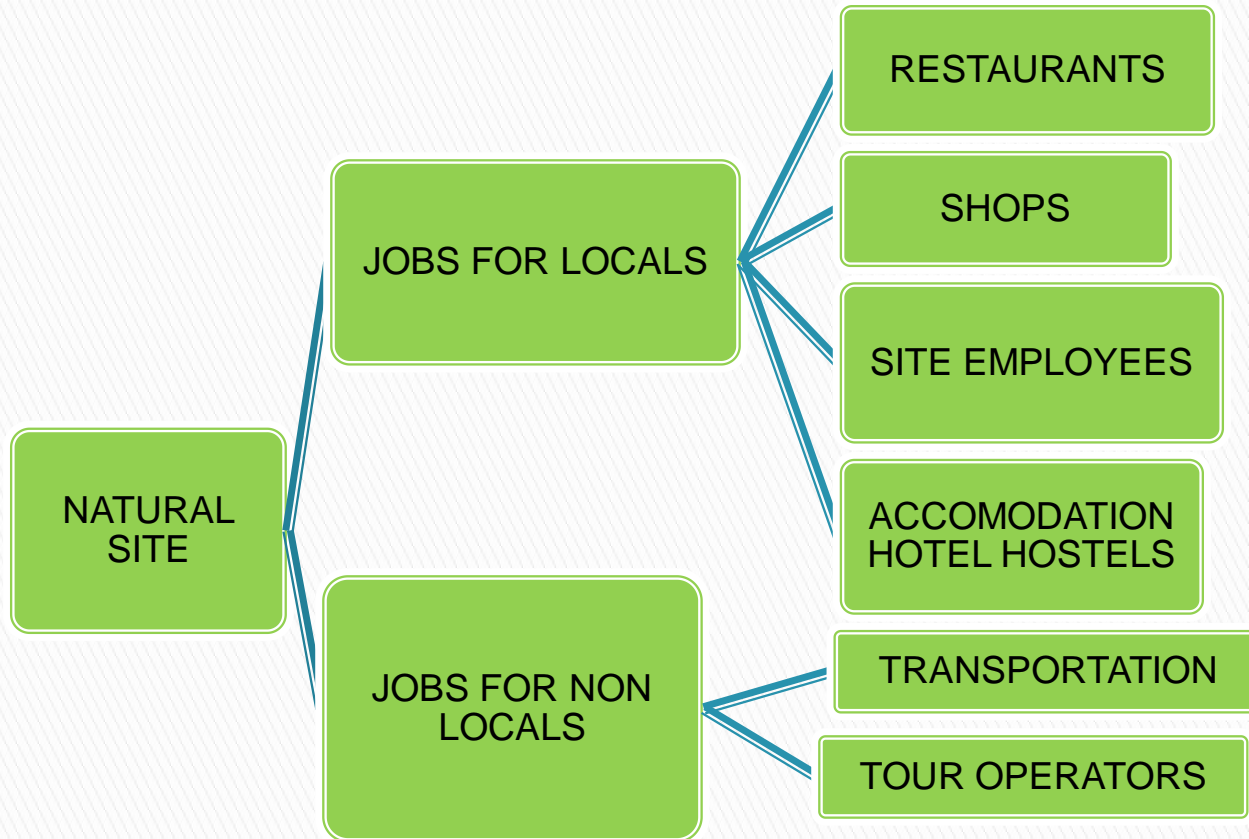
5 MUSTS IN SUSTAINABLE TOURISM




CEDARS OF BECHARRE

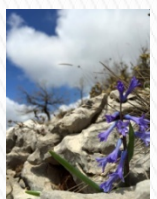
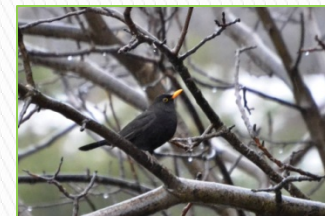
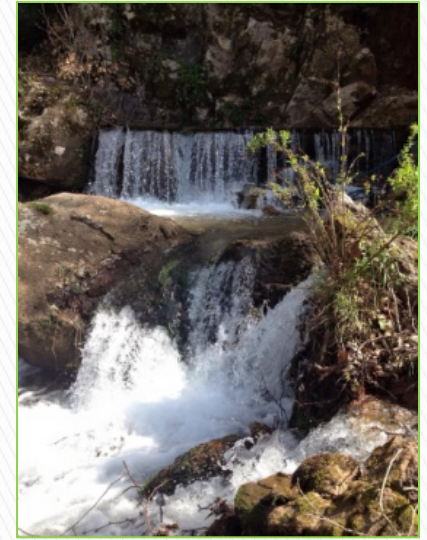
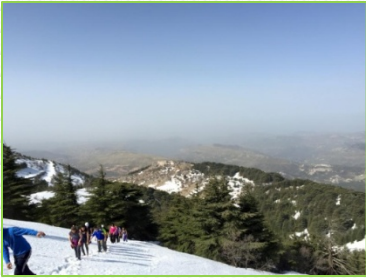


ECONOMICAL BENEFITS



SHOUF BIOSPHERE RESERVE

- LARGEST NATURAL RESERVE IMPORTANT AREA FOR MIGRATING BIRDS
 - FIVE PROGRAMS: RESEARCH, ECOTOURISM, CAPACITY BUILDING, RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS
 - FOUR ENTRIES, SEVEN CEDAR FORESTS, HISTORICAL SITES
 - ACTIVE MANAGING TEAM, GOOD INFRASTRUCTURES, PARTNERSHIP WITH LOCAL COMMUNITIES
 - VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES: BIRD AND ANIMAL WATCHING, BIKING, TRECKING SPELEOLOGY, CAMPING.
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CHALLENGES

Taking the
right
Initiatives

Find and
Involve
suitable
Partners

Working in
an
Unstable
Area

Limited
project
duration
and
Funding

Working on
a
recognition
of the
employees