

## 2013 International Tourism Results and Prospects for 2014

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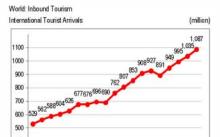
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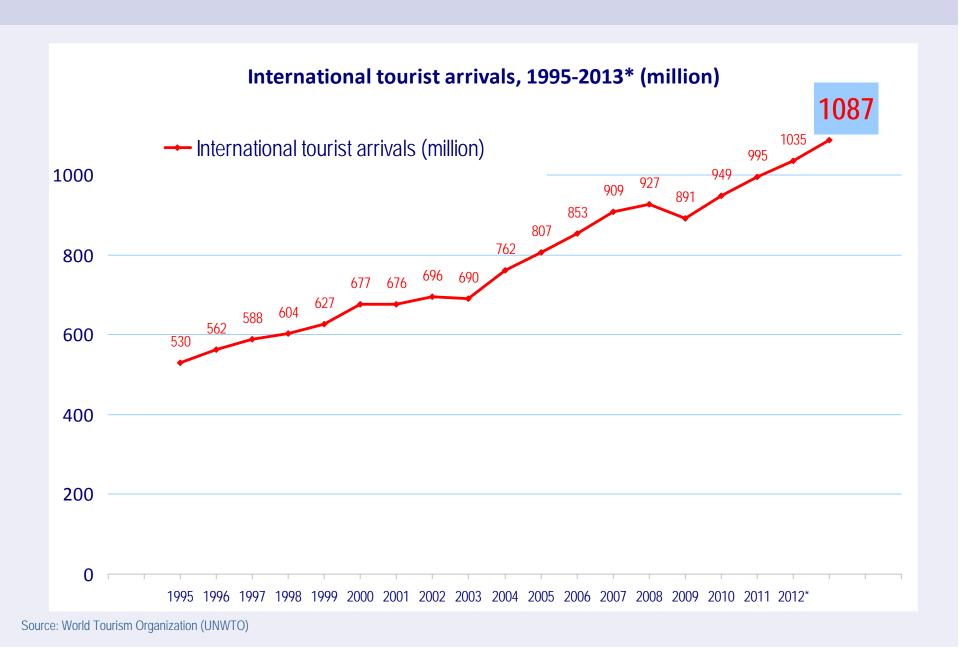
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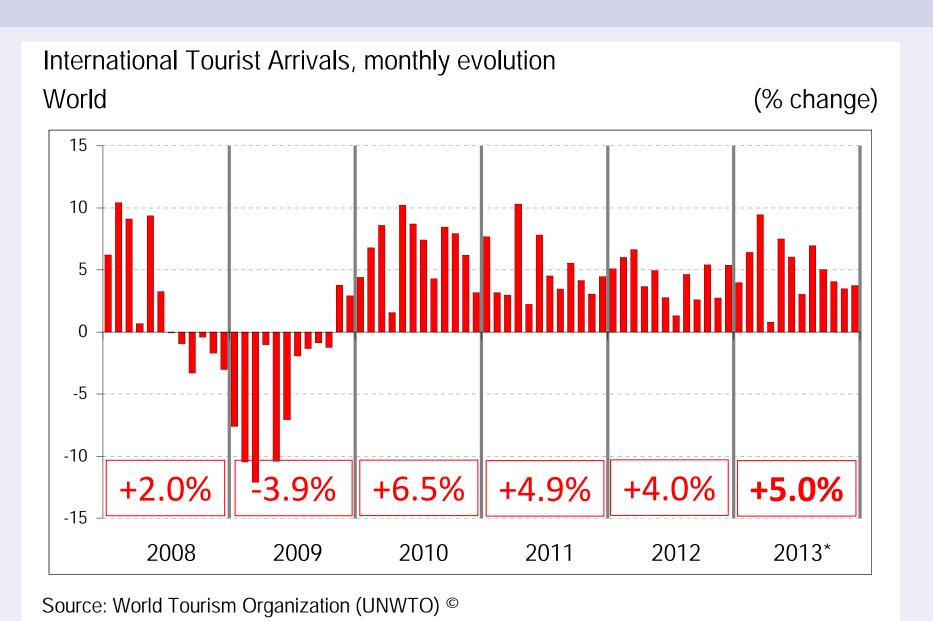
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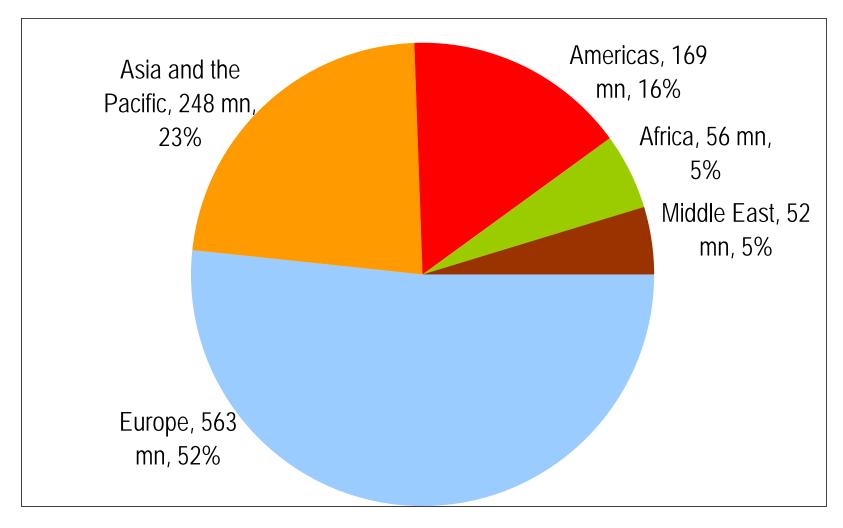


### International tourism fourth strong year in a row



### **Absolute numbers 2013 by region**

World Inbound Tourism: International Tourist Arrivals, 2013\* (million)



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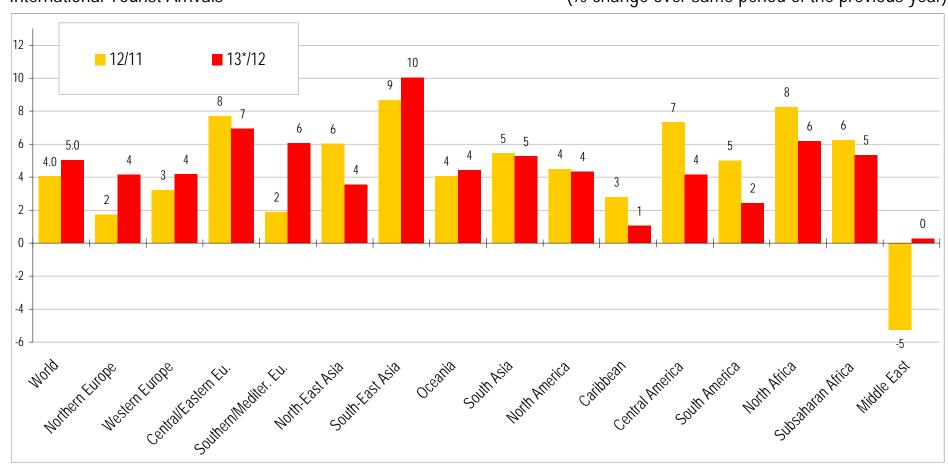
### Increase 2013 by region



## 2013: South-East Asia, Central and Eastern Europe, Southern and Mediterranean Europe and North Africa led growth



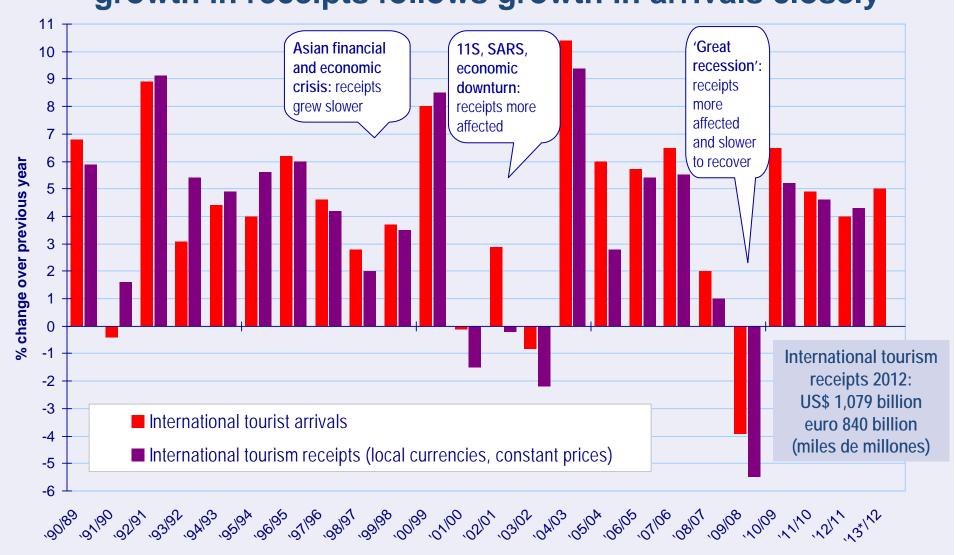
(% change over same period of the previous year)



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### International Tourism Arrivals and Receipts, World





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# Major outbound markets Emerging markets remain hot in 2013





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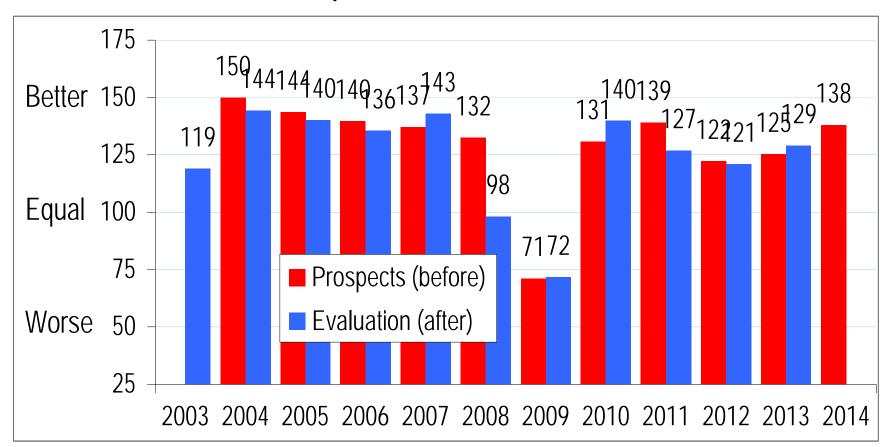


#### Outlook

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## **Confidence upbeat**

#### **UNWTO Panel of Tourism Experts: World**



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#### **Outlook: World**



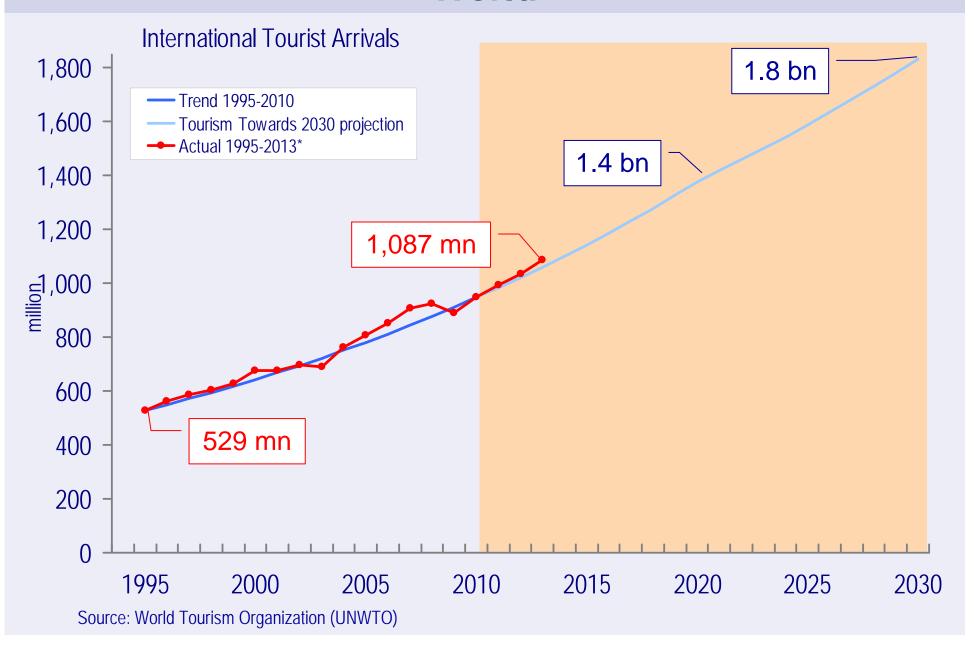
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### International tourism: projection full year 2014

	Actual data		
	2013	Average 2005-2013	Projection 2014
World	+5.0%	+3.8%	+4% to +4½%
Europe	+5.4%	+2.9%	+3% to +4%
Asia and the Pacific	+6.0%	+6.2%	+5% to +6%
Americas	+3.6%	+3.0%	+3% to +4%
Africa	+5.6%	+6.2%	+4% to +6%
Middle East	+0.3%	+4.6%	+0% to +5%

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## Actual Trend vs. Tourism Towards 2030 projection World





## Thank you very much for your attention!

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