

Although the variety of over night stays raises continuously tourist is still no vital affordable variable along the Styrian iron roadway.

Summer season tourist is going stale meanwhile winter season tourist is defined by a constant development. The number of visitor arrivals has to do with 40.000 in one year for the whole region along the Styrian iron road. In comparison: one town alone (Schladming) in a touristical area in Styria has a variety of concerning 80.000-- 100.000 vacationer arrivals in one year.

The typical period of 2,5 days is a common sign of city tourism

RESULT: the region is characterized by.- An increasing touristical development especially in the winter season,- With a brief duration of the guests as well as.- an equivalent bad use capacity. This characteristics are the outcome of an insufficient touristical facilities and also the custom as an old industrial as well as mining region.

1. Really gradually abilities grow that are needed for a positive touristical development and also the definitely crucial "business spirit" is now recognizable in some young ventures.
2. Touristical development of the train along the Styrian iron roadway. 8.3 RECAP OF EXISTING RESEARCH STUDIES. 3.1 Usefulness Research Study „ Erlebnisreise Vordernbergertal".
3. Analysis show the equivalent reduced relevance of tourist in the valley leading from Leoben to Vordernberg.

However a positive impact can be pointed out by the activities around the "lighthouse" of the whole region, the Styrian iron hill and also because of the expanding value of Leoben as a centre for specialized ethnological exhibitions. It is likewise mentioned that using the railway for touristical objectives implies that along the tracks some new „ points of activity" and „ sights" need to be established.

The prepare for the repair of the shelf railway between Vordernberg and Eisenerz as one important touristical emphasize of the future and also to lead visitor trains from Leoben to Eisenerz make good sense only in combination with an appealing Styrian iron mountain and in mix with the touristical destinations in Leoben.

Essential conclusions as well as needs: Developing the region in between Leoben and also Vordernberg to an touristical area requires a name for the area with a clear geographical identity,. It is required to mount one new as well as strong traveler organisation, in which all communities work together and also share the advantages together,.

The high quality of tourist framework has to be increased

Touristical advancement of the train along the Styrian iron roadway. 9.3.2 Usefulness research „ With full speed up the Präbichl". The research claims that it is feasible to lead steam trains again on the steepest component of the train between Vordernberg und Eisenerz.

- There are 2 technical remedies: whether usage one existing vapor engine that doesn't need a gear shelf or restore the old rack railway.
- The biggest challenge for revitalization of the typical rack railway is the totally dismantled equipment shelf. The gear shelf have to be made brand-new and also rebuilt along the entire line (at least on a range of 12 kilometers).

Business strategy shows that it would be possible to cover the existing expenses but not the amortization of the fixed assets.

Advantages for the area. The high fixed possessions on the start of the realization is followed by a period with continual straight and indirect favorable affordable results for all taking part communities.

Dependent on the quantity of volunteer work (that is still essential to run historic trains) the effect on employment will be between 3 and also 8 brand-new staff members.

Additional is the raised earnings in the area. (restaurants, shops, hotels etc) due to the expenditures of the guests (up to EUR 500.000,-- in one season). The Erzbergbahn as an international vacationer attraction will raise the efficiency in existing touristical ventures (dining establishments and so on) especially in the summer season.

It was a surprise for the authors of the study that individuals identify really strong with the repair of the shelf train as well as the leading of vapor trains. So the train can come to be a "promotor" for other vacationer campaigns in the area.