

Wadi Musa and Al-Taibeh Between Sustainable Tourism and Rate of Change

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Abstract

As Heritage is subject to deterioration by various aspects of development, tourism becomes one of the tools to revive and sustain heritage. The aim of this paper is to analyze the roll of tourism and the new environmental values that accompany this new activity, by focusing on vast expansion of tourism in Wadi Musa and Al-Taibeh, (1991-2000). Different scientific research methods were used: collecting data, reviewing literature, and observation.

Environment holds a range of relations within its components. The unbalanced relation between the components may cause deterioration to the environment, as if the various involved sectors do not organize their priorities. It is officially recognized, world wide, that the need for sustainable tourism is a major priorities. The conclusion of this research focuses on the urgent need for setting strategic policies in order to sustain the dialectic relations between the environment and tourism. Such policies should combine all efforts to balance between local needs, environment capacity on one side and the growth of tourism and its needs on the other side. The recommendation of this study is to search for other economical alternatives to support and improve the life of both Wadi Musa and Al-Taibeh.

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