

Title: Critical Overview of Tourism Industry in Kazakhstan

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Abstract:

After the dissolution of the Soviet Union, the former Soviet countries emerged and became independent and began the transition from centrally planned economies to market economies. This presentation offers a case study of Kazakhstan. It examines the development of tourism in Kazakhstan as a newly independent country. The presentation outlines key changes since independence in 1991 and identifies the main features of tourism. The earlier tourism model is reviewed as a historical background to the contemporary situation. This presentation offers an analysis of the current situation in the tourism industry and the state measures for its development. It concludes with some observations about problems, prospects, potential strengths, and weaknesses of tourism development in Kazakhstan and makes some suggestions for further research.