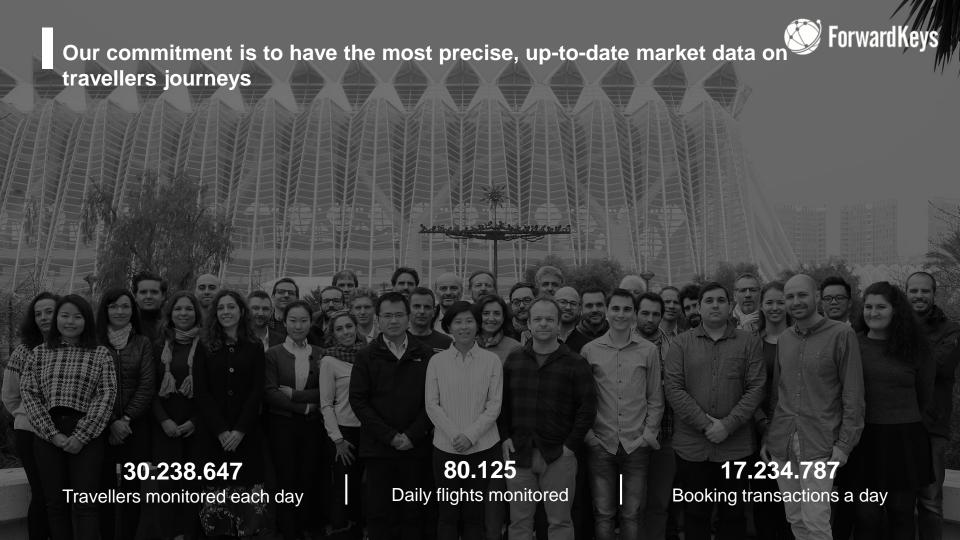




# **Stopover trends to Finland and Nordics**

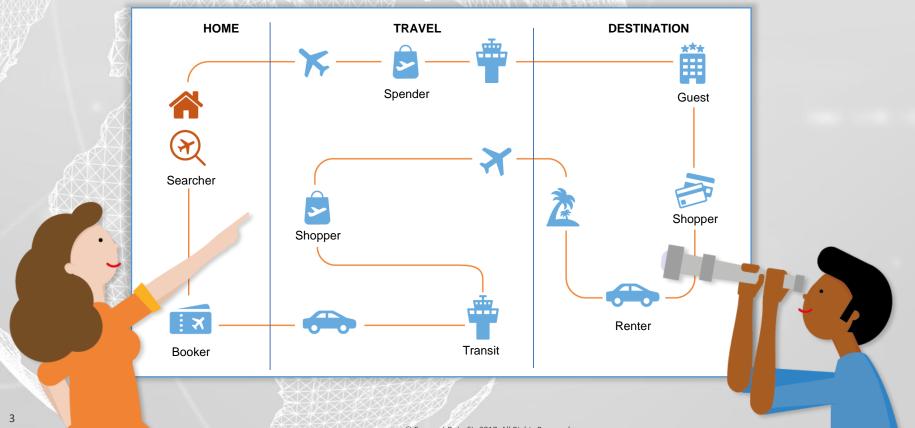
A focus in Asia with optimistic perspectives

March 2018





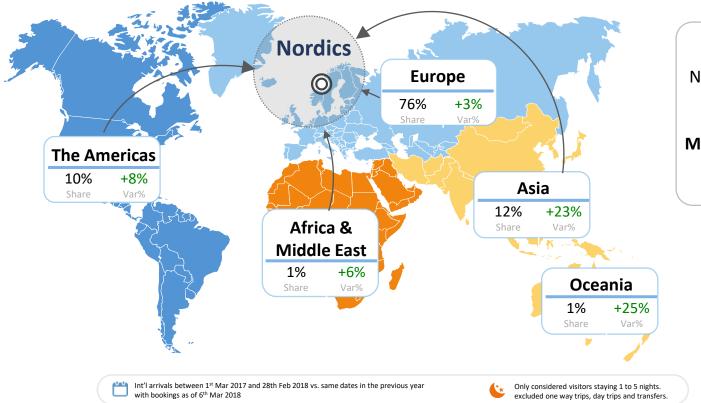
## The traveller is a different economical agent at stages of the journey







### Asia drove the growth of international stopovers to Nordic countries



Int'l stopovers in NORDIC COUNTRIES

Moving Year Mar 2017 – Feb 2018

+6%

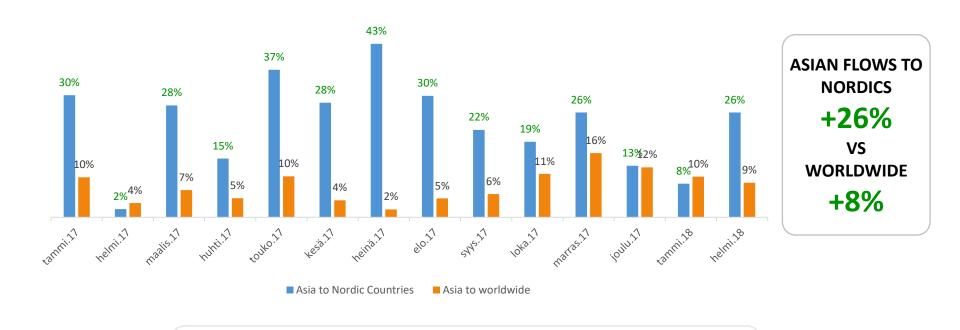


Int'l arrivals between 1st Jan 2017 and 28th February 2018 vs. same dates in the previous year

with bookings as of 28th February 2018



## Asia Nordic Countries vs worldwide YoY Var%, 2017- FEB 2018 travel history



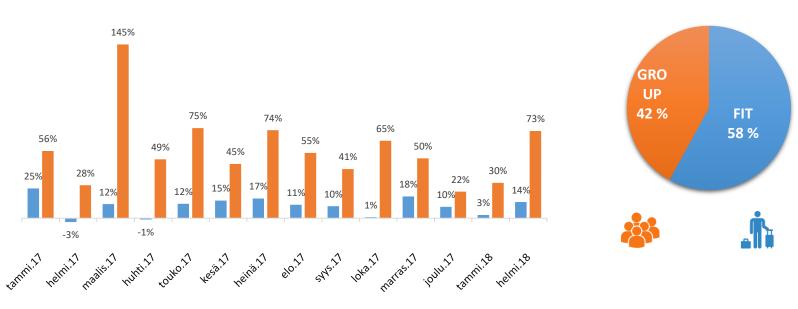
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## **Groups grew faster than FIT**



## Asia Nordic Countries, FIT vs Group Travellers YoY Var%, 2017- FEB 2018 travel history



Group: >5 pax per booking; FIT: 1 to 5 pax per booking

Int'l arrivals between 1st Jan 2017 and 30th Jun 2018 vs. same dates in the previous year with bookings as of 6th Mar 2018

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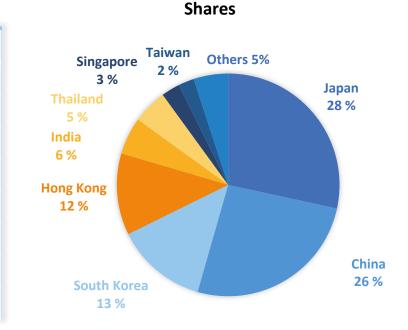




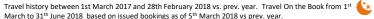
#### **Top Origin Countries for stopovers in Nordic countries**

	MAR2017-FEB2018	MAR-JUN2018
Japan	+34%	+12%
China	+10%	+7%
South Korea	+26%	-6%
Hongkong	+59%	+17%
India	+10%	+45%
Thailand	+20%	+22%
Singapore	+10%	+21%
Taiwan	+8%	+23%

Var%









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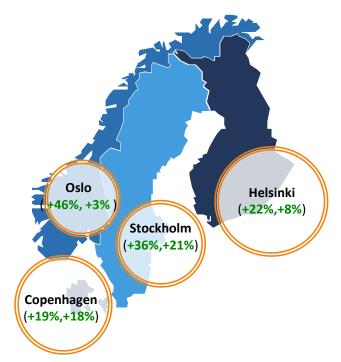


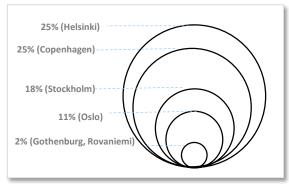


#### %YoY Var. of Visitors from Asia to **Top Nordic Cities**

(Mar2017-Feb2018, Mar-Jun2018OTB)



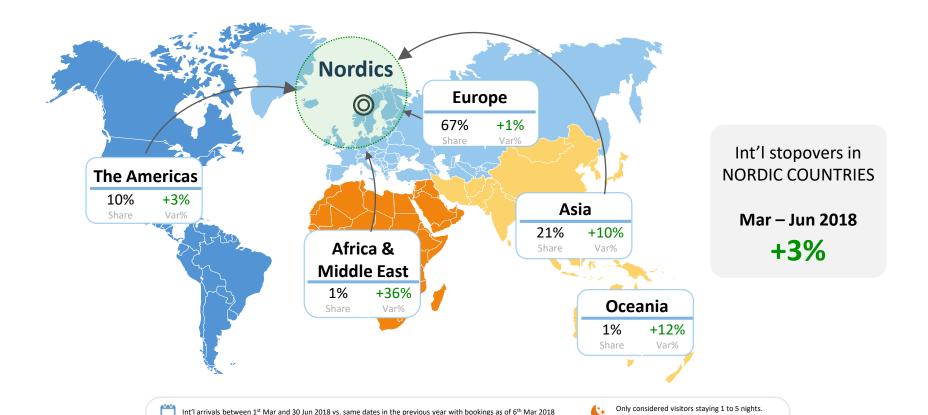






### Forward looking for March to June arrivals: optimistic outlook



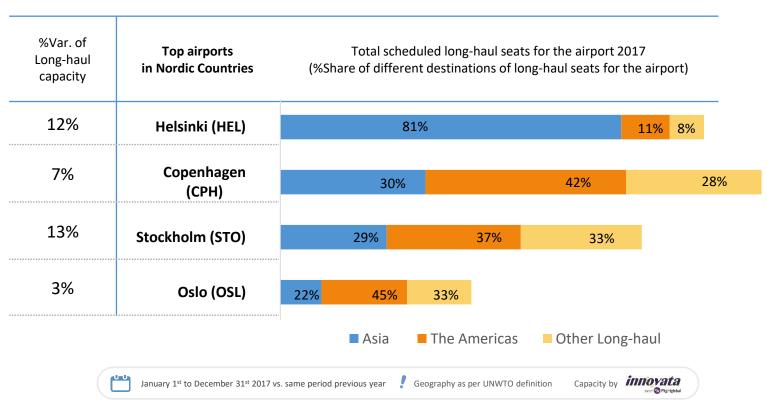


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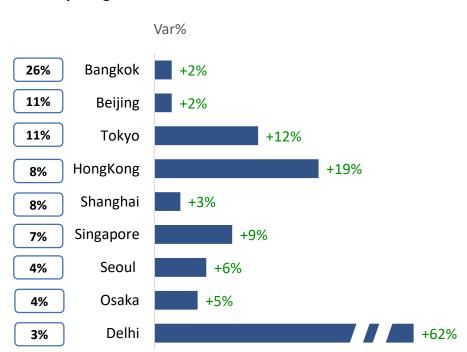




## Largest capacity expansion from HEL to main source markets, led by Finnair

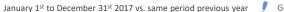


#### **Top Origin Points in 2017**



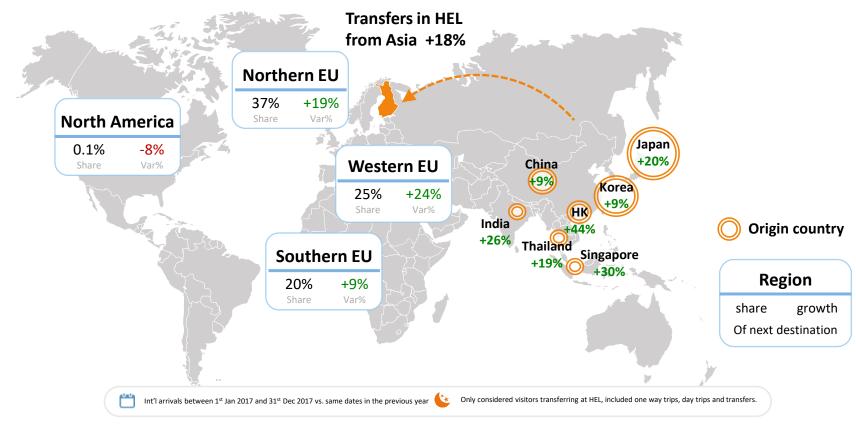
Top 10 increasing routes in 2017

Route	Capacity Var%	AIRLINES (M/S)
HKG-HEL	+29%	AY (100%)
NRT-HEL	+18%	AY (65%) ,JL (35%)
SIN-HEL	+16%	AY (100%)
BKK-HEL	+8%	AY (100%)
ICN-HEL	+6%	AY (100%)
KIX-HEL	+5%	AY (100%)
PEK-HEL	+4%	AY (100%)
PVG-HEL	+3%	AY (100%)
PEK-ARN	+3%	CA (100%)
BKK-ARN	+2%	DY (20%),TG (80%)



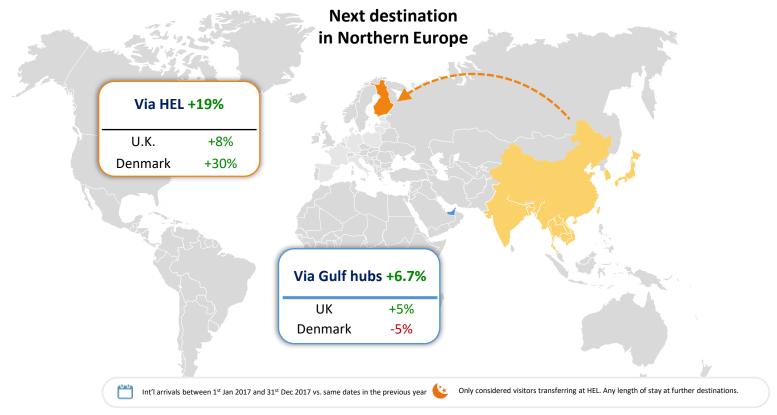


## Helsinki's geographic advantage over Gulf hubs to connect Asia and Europe



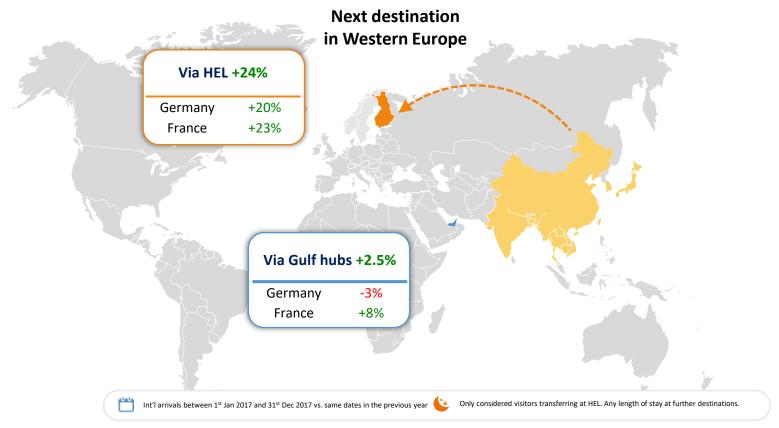
## More Asian travellers transit at HEL rather than Gulf hubs to Northern Europe





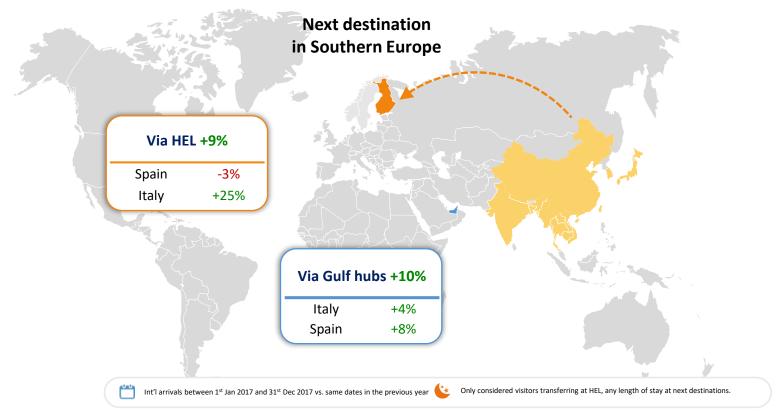


## HEL is increasingly popular hub for Asians to transit to Germany





## Gulf hubs are still more attractive for Asians to arrive to Spain



## China is the capacity booster, driven by Chinese carriers





#### **From China**

<b>Nordic Cities</b>	%Share	%Var
Helsinki	53%	+23%
Copenhagen	22%	+10%
Stockholm	17%	+19%





#### **2018 New routes between Asia and Nordic Countries**

Nanjing, China	$\rightarrow$	Helsinki (Finnair)	
Beijing, China	$\rightarrow$	Helsinki (HNA)	
Kunming, China	$\rightarrow$	Helsinki (HNA)	
Beijing, China	$\rightarrow$	Copenhagen (Air China)	
Hong Kong	$\rightarrow$	Copenhagen (Cathay Pacific)	
Shanghai, China	$\rightarrow$	Stockholm (China Eastern)	



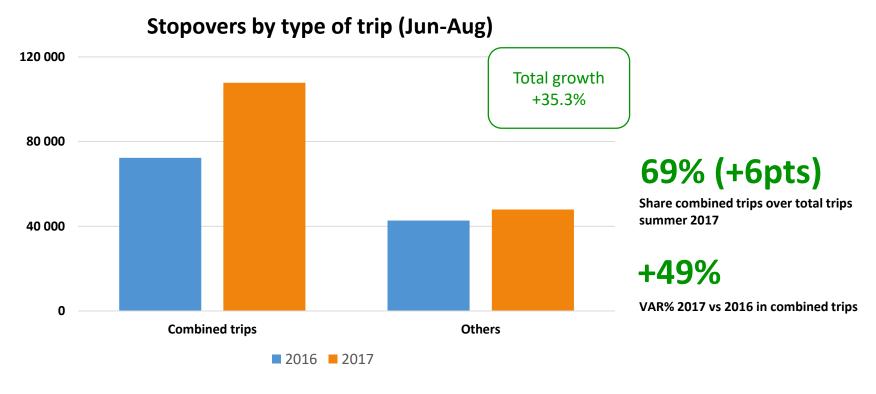












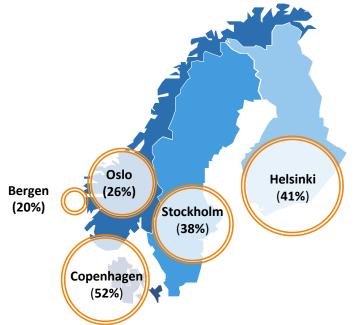
## New longer combined trips appeared during summer 2017



#### %appearance in a combined trip

(Jun - Aug 2017)





	Occurrence in 2017	2017 vs 2016
{BGO,CPH,HEL,STO}	8%	new
{BGO,HEL,OSL,STO}	7%	new
{BGO,CPH,OSL,STO}	6%	new
{CPH,HEL,OSL,STO}	6%	new
{BGO,CPH,HEL,OSL}	5.6%	new
{BGO,CPH,HEL,OSL,STO}	5.6%	new

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Int'l departures between  $1^{st}$  Jan 2017 and 30th Jun 2018 vs. same dates in the previous year with bookings as of  $6^{th}$  Mar 2018

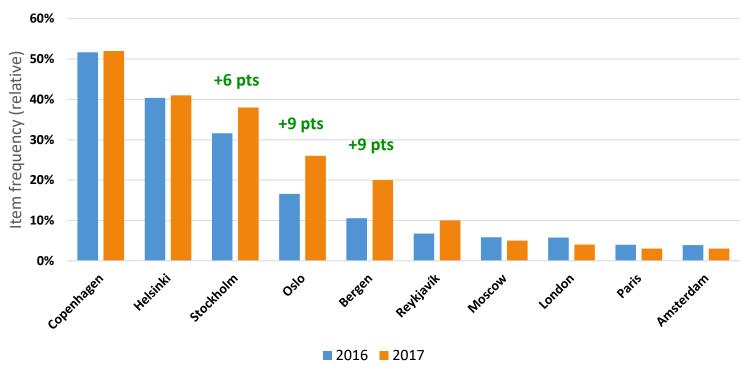


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### Most frequent destinations among combined trips

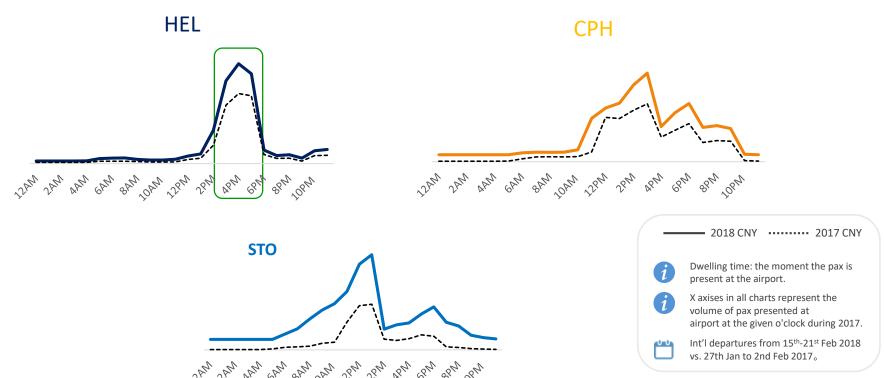


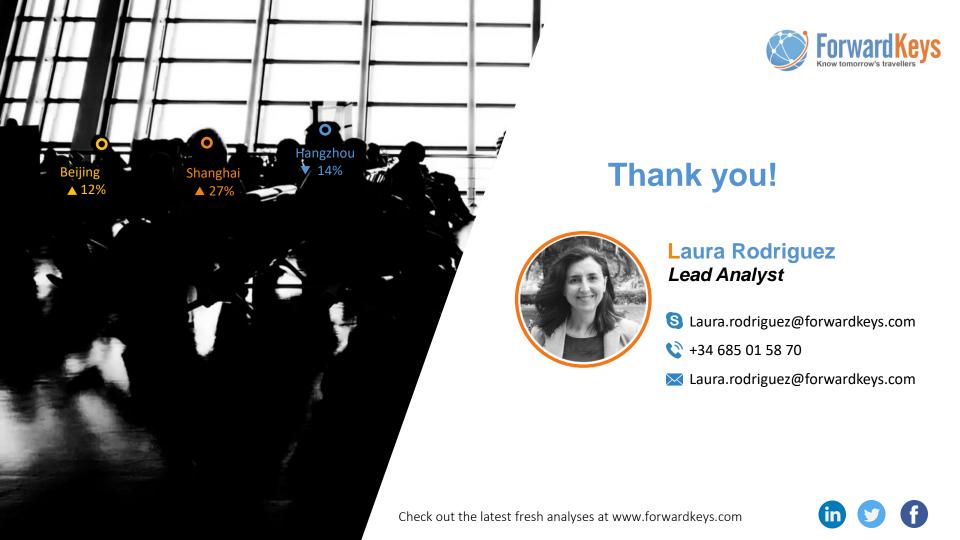






#### Nordic airports dwelling time for Asian visitors travelling back home during Chinese New Year 2018





### **METHODOLOGY & GLOSSARY**



This analysis is based on Air Reservation Data property of ForwardKeys® as of 6<sup>th</sup> March 2018. Database contains reservations handled by more than 200 000 online and offline travel agencies worldwide.



#### **DESTINATION**

Nordic countries (Denmark, Faroe Islands, Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden)



#### **MARKET**

North Asia, South Asia, South East Asia as per UNWTO geography



#### **PERIOD & PERIMETERS**

**Arrivals history:** from January 1st 2017 to December 31st 2017 vs. January 1st 2016 to August 31st 2016. Jan – Feb 2018 vs Jan – Feb 2017.

**Arrivals outlook:** from Mar 1<sup>st</sup> to Jun 30<sup>th</sup> 2018 vs. Apr 1<sup>st</sup> to Apr 18<sup>th</sup> with issued bookings as of Mar 6<sup>th</sup> 2018 vs. same period prev. year.

**Arrivals outlook**: Jan – 1<sup>st</sup> to Aug 31<sup>st</sup> vs same period prev. year.

**Stayovers in Nordic countries**: those visiting any location within Nordic countries between 1 and 5 nights.



#### **FREQUENTLY USED TERMS**

ARRIVALS: refers to the number of airline passengers arriving at the destination within a specific period.

ARRIVALS OUTLOOK: refers to the number of airline passengers arriving at the destination within a specific future period according to the bookings that have been issued as noted.

**BOOKINGS:** refers to the air reservations made for travel to the specific destination for any date of travel.

BUSINESS TRAVELLERS: are defined as 1) travellers whose air reservations are made via corporate travel agencies, 2) travellers stay only during working week and up to 2 nights, and 3) solo travellers stay during working week for short-haul trips or stay up to 12 nights for long-haul trips.

VFR+EXPATS: are defined as travellers stay 22 or more nights at the destination.

LEISURE TRAVELLERS: travellers who do not qualify as Business or VFR+expats.

VISITORS: pax staying at the destination.

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