

The tourist activity is a universal dimension that it provides and contributes for the development of the peoples, through the sociability, of the interchange of cultures, the resolution of economic problems, to dynamize the productive activity, the attenuation of the regional disequilibrium, the defence of the environment and the valuation of the cultural heritage.

The strategical character of the sector of the tourism in the national economy results of its weight and multiplying effect, stops beyond if we put in perspective that it will continue to register in the next years superior taxes of growth to the average esteem for the national product, as by the way it happened in the last decade, being been one of the sectors where Portugal has competitive advantages.

Direct or indirect the sector of the tourism to the level of the gross domestic product, the job, the investment and public revenues makes with that it is a determinative sector of the quality of life in the Portuguese society.
Thus, the sector of the tourism will be able to give in next years one contribution significant for the approach to Portugal to the development levels of its partners of the European Union, what it implies the maintenance of the rhythm of growth of above average communitarian the Portuguese economy, promoting the convergence real. Of fact, the tourism has promotion shares that value the national resources, contributing simultaneously for the reduction of the regional asymmetry.

Formation in Tourism - Portugal

- Initial qualification;
- continuous formation;
- High Scholl Formation

Initial qualification

courses that allow to accede to the exercise of highly qualified professions.

- Initial qualification - courses with the duration of one school year, that allow to accede to the exercise of highly qualified professions.
- Formation in Alternation - destined course the young qualified, with the duration of 15 months, that elapse during 11 months 2 days of formation in School and 3 in the hotel unit per week and allow to accede to a professional specialization.
- Itineraries of formation for the Management - itinerary with the duration of two school years that allow to accede to the exercise of functions of it commands.
- Technological specialization - destined courses the young qualified and an initial formation of level III, with the duration of one school year, that allows to accede to a professional specialization.

Continuous formation

The continuous formation aims at to characterize and to qualify the professionals of the sector of the Tourism, for form to the promotion professional associate of the individuals and, for this saw, to improve the quality of the services given for the tourist companies.

The graduation in Tourism

- Tourist companies;
- Tourist agencies and Societies;
- Institutions of Inquiry;
- Museums;
- Spa;
- Society of Hospitality;
- E regions Meetings of Tourism;
- Companies and Society of Leisure and Sport;
- Autarchies, Meetings and Associations of Cities;
- Public administration;
- Associations of Local and Regional Development;
- Professional centers of Professional Formation and Schools;
- Secondary, Polytechnical and University education.

Professions of the Tourism

The Tourism of Portugal recognizes the acquired professional abilities for access to the following professions regulated in Portugal.

Hotelsaria	
Director (i) of Hotel	Dec-Law n.º 271/82, of 13 of July Dec-Law 148/2006, of 1 of Agosto
Assistant Director (i) of Hotel	
Assistant of Director of Hotel	
Head of Reception	Regulation of the Social security card, 29 of May of 1947
Receptionist of Hotel	
Dormitory (i)	
Governor (i) of Floors	
Governor (i) of Cleanly	
Head (i) of Floors	
Head (i) of Laundry	

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Professions of the Tourism

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Tourism	
Guide Interpretar Nacional	Decreto n.º 519-F/79, of 28 of December, and following ones
Post office of Tourism	
Regional Guide Interpretar	
Director of Tourism	
Receptionist of Tourism	
Transferista	Law n.º 8/2006, of 15 of March
Board professional in the Casinos*	

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The Tourism of Portugal recognizes the acquired professional abilities for access to the following professions regulated in Portugal.

Restoration	
Head of Table	Regulation of the Social security card, 28 of May of 1947
Head of Table	
Barman	
Head of Bar (Barman/Barmaid)	
Cook II	
Confecionaria II	
Fetoneiro	

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