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Title	BOUNDLESS LIFE: THE COMMUNITY OF DIGITAL NOMADS AND THEIR FAMILIES
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Objective	BOUNDLESS LIFE build a collection of thoughtfully designed communities located in beautiful destinations around the world comprised of private homes, co-working spaces, a school system based on experiential learning and locally adapted recreational hubs where like-minded families can develop connections, work, sustainably explore different parts of the world and be immersed in the local cultures.
	What is the aim/objective of this good practice?
Location /geographical coverage	The idea was born in Canada in 2021. It was the time when the life of the digital nomad was gaining more and more popularity, a result of technological development, the pandemic and a culture for a life more full of meaning and experiences. The attractive life of the digital nomad was initially the privilege of unattached workers. That's what Boundless Life decided to change.
	The company was started in Montreal by Elina Zoi, Marcos Carvalho, Mauro Repaci and Reka Meygon, with the aim of giving families the opportunity to taste the experience of living and working abroad. At the moment, the company has four destinations with organized infrastructure: in Sintra, Portugal (the first to operate, in February 2022), in Ermoupoli, Greece (the second to enter the

	company's network in August 2022), in Tuscany of Italy and in Bali, Indonesia. In 2024, three more destinations will be added to its network (two in Europe and one in Latin America). The World Youth and Student (WYSE) Travel Confederation estimates that the digital nomad market is "gradually maturing to reach around 60 million by 2030".
	"About 25% of digital nomads are families,"
Organisation responsible for good practice	Boundless Life
Stakeholders and Partners	Over 300 families are members of the Boundless Life community, with over 600 children traveling and sharing the digital nomad experience. The families have a different composition: two parents with their children, single parents or parents of which one has stayed back in the homeland. Currently, 20 families of digital nomads live in Ermoupolis, a total of about 80 people.
Short summary	Boundless Life brings people to the island all year round (except December, which is used for infrastructure maintenance). The Greek department of the company employs ten employees and has permanent collaborations with dozens of professionals on the island, while also holding events to support the local community, such as donations to the Children's Home. Most of Boundless Life's nomads come from the USA and Canada, followed by Europe and Israel. It is an emerging type of tourism that ticks the boxes of sustainable tourism, quality tourism, year-round tourism, and local

community development. And tourism, which is expected to experience a great boom in the coming years.

Boundless Co-working Hub is the ideal environment to stimulate creativity, productivity and collaboration. Meet with other professionals in your industry, work on complementary projects, exchange ideas and learn from others' experience and knowledge.

Boundless Homes provide families with the highest level of comfort. With high-quality service, our residences are not only fully furnished and stocked but are close to the rest of the Boundless amenities including the Coworking Hub and Education Centre.

Impact

The good practice of **Boundless Life**, focusing on creating communities for digital nomads and their families, has had several positive impacts on its beneficiaries and has contributed to innovation in various aspects, including heat wave management. Here's a breakdown of the impacts, innovations, key messages, lessons learned, tools for implementation, and sustainability considerations:

Positive Impact on Beneficiaries:

- •Provides families with opportunities to live and work abroad, fostering cultural immersion and meaningful experiences.
- •Enhances children's education through experiential learning and personalized approaches.
- •Supports local communities by employing locals, holding events, and making donations. Inspired by the world-renowned Finnish system, Boundless Education was developed by taking the finest ingredients from the world's best educational practices to build one coherent system to follow your child anywhere.

Boundless Education is a transformational learning system that lays the foundation for innovation, maximises experiential learning, and creates meaningful connections to ourselves, our communities and the world.

Innovation In what way has the good practice contributed to an innovation in the heat waves management? By incorporating sustainable practices in infrastructure design and management, Boundless Life communities can contribute to mitigating the effects of heat waves. Features such as eco-friendly building materials, efficient cooling systems, and green spaces can help regulate temperatures and reduce heat island effects. Lessons learned The key messages and lessons learned from the good practice experience of Boundless Life can be summarized as follows: **Empowerment of Families:** Boundless Life demonstrates the empowerment of families by providing them with opportunities to live and work abroad, fostering meaningful experiences and cultural immersion for both adults and children. **Importance of Community:** The initiative highlights the significance of community building, where like-minded families come together to form connections, collaborate, and support each other in their nomadic lifestyle. Innovation in **Education:**

Innovation in Education: Boundless Education introduces innovative educational practices such as experiential learning, personalized learning plans, and interdisciplinary learning. It emphasizes the development of future-ready skills and holistic well-being.

Sustainable Tourism: The initiative promotes sustainable tourism practices by integrating eco-friendly infrastructure, supporting local communities, and minimizing environmental impact. It sets an example for responsible and ethical tourism development.

Global Connectivity: Boundless Life showcases the power of technology in connecting people from around the world. Through digital platforms and communication tools, families can maintain

connections, share resources, and collaborate despite geographical distances.

Adaptability and Flexibility: The flexibility of Boundless Life's model allows families to adapt to different cultures, environments, and work arrangements. It encourages resilience and adaptability in the face of uncertainty.

Cultural Exchange and Diversity: The initiative encourages cultural exchange and diversity by bringing together families from diverse backgrounds and nationalities. It fosters a rich learning environment where individuals can learn from each other's perspectives and experiences.

Long-Term Vision: Boundless Life demonstrates a long-term vision for sustainable growth and community development. By expanding its network of destinations and investing in partnerships, the initiative aims to create lasting impact and opportunities for its members.

Overall, the key takeaway from Boundless Life's good practice experience is the transformative potential of combining education, community, and sustainable tourism to create enriching experiences for families around the world.

Tools

Based on the **Finnish Curriculum**, our pillars combine to deepen a child's core competencies and focus on interest-driven academic experiences.

Experiential Learning

Boundless Education believes in learning by doing. Students are exposed to new concepts and skills using a hands-on approach.

Personalised Learning

Boundless students gain mastery in core academic areas, progressing at their own pace.

Purposeful Learning

Bringing purpose to learning by finding a personal connection and making a difference. Interdisciplinary Learning

To develop an entrepreneurial mindset, through critical thinking and interdisciplinary

connections, children engage in Quests where they tackle real-world problems and complex questions.

Future Ready

Preparing children for an unknown future by teaching future skills such as creativity, collaboration, critical thinking and communication. These skills are applied to subject knowledge and linked to real life phenomena.

Mindful Well-Being

Holistic well-being in the curriculum guides children to be present in the moment, reduces stress levels, increases focus and learning potential.

What are the tools a VET educator could use to implement the above-mentioned practices? What are the tools a tourism entity needs to implement the practice?

Tools for VET Educators:

Learning Management Systems (LMS):

LMS platforms can facilitate personalized learning by providing a centralized hub for course materials, assessments, and communication between educators and learners.

Example platforms: Moodle, Canvas, Blackboard.

Experiential Learning Resources:

VET educators can utilize experiential learning resources such as simulations, case studies, and real-world projects to engage learners in hands-on learning experiences.

Example resources: Virtual labs, role-playing exercises, industry visits.

Personalized Learning Plans:

Develop personalized learning plans for learners based on their individual strengths, interests, and learning goals.

Tools for tracking progress and adjusting learning plans accordingly can include spreadsheets, online templates, or specialized software.

Collaboration Tools:

Enable collaboration among learners through tools such as online discussion forums, collaborative documents, and project management platforms.

Example tools: Google Workspace (formerly G Suite), Microsoft Teams, Slack.

Assessment and Feedback Tools:

Use online assessment tools to create quizzes, assignments, and surveys to evaluate learner progress.

Provide timely feedback to learners using digital annotation tools, audio/video feedback, or online grading platforms.

Example tools: Google Forms, Kahoot!,

Tools for Tourism Entities:

Community Engagement Platforms:

Establish online platforms or social media groups to engage with the Boundless Life community and facilitate communication among members.

Example platforms: Facebook Groups, Slack channels, dedicated community forums.

Booking and Reservation Systems:

Implement online booking systems to streamline reservations for accommodations, co-working spaces, and educational programs.

Example systems: Airbnb, Booking.com, custom-built reservation software.

Sustainable Tourism Assessment Tools:

Utilize sustainability assessment frameworks or certifications to evaluate and improve the environmental, social, and economic sustainability of tourism operations.

Example frameworks: Global Sustainable Tourism Council (GSTC) Criteria, EarthCheck Certification.

Destination Management Tools:

Use destination management platforms to analyze visitor data, monitor tourism trends, and collaborate with local stakeholders for destination development.

Example platforms: Destination Management Systems (DMS), Tourism Insights platforms.

Marketing and Communication Tools:

Employ digital marketing tools to promote Boundless Life destinations, attract new visitors, and engage with potential customers.

Example tools: Social media marketing platforms, email marketing software, content management systems (CMS).

By leveraging these tools, VET educators and tourism entities can effectively implement the practices outlined by

	Boundless Life, promoting experiential learning, community engagement, and sustainable tourism development.
Sustainability	Institutional Sustainability: Ensure the continuity and growth of Boundless Life communities through effective management and governance structures. Social Sustainability: Foster inclusive and diverse communities that promote cultural exchange and mutual respect. Economic Sustainability: Develop revenue streams and business models that support long-term financial viability. Environmental Sustainability: Minimize environmental impact through eco-friendly practices in construction, energy use, and waste management.
Replicability and/or up-scaling	This good practice is already world wide in different parts: Sintra, Portugal Syros, Greece Tuscany, Italy Bali, Indonesia Kotor, Montenegro
Contact details	What is the address of the people or the project to contact if you want more information on the good practice? alteravitacyclades@gmail.com Angeliki Sakellariou
Related Web site(s)	https://www.boundless.life/
Related resources that have been developed	Which training manuals, guidelines, data sheets, posters, images, video and audio documents have been developed in the framework of good practice?
	Boundless Education https://app- eu1.hubspot.com/documents/25511159/view /527685609?accessId=101a70 Boundless Syros https://www.boundless.life/syros-greece
	CODE OF CONDUCT https://assets-global.website-

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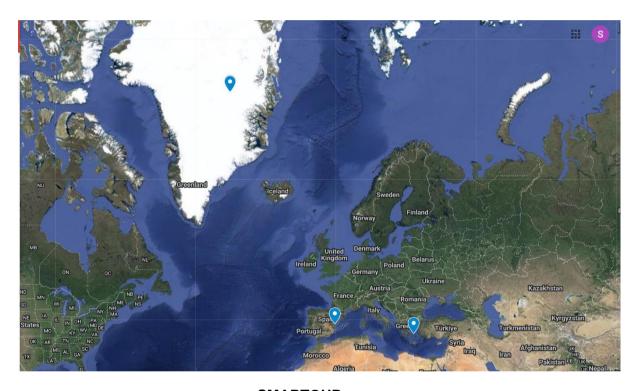








Interactive map of good practices



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