# Asia's MICE Market Future Winners and Losers

International Destination Competitiveness Forum





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# Competitive Environment

#### Countries all over Asia are "getting it" and they are on the move.



**Reinvention** – MBS not enough, building new convention complex.



**Gearing Up** – New convention centres.



Capacity Building – TCEB is directly under the PM. New 5 MICE Cities program.



**Trade Alignment** – Meet Taiwan under TAITRA.



**Expansion** - new centres and new bureaus in Johor Bahru, Sabah and Penang



**Multiple Destinations** – Seoul and Busan won't be the only players.



**Aspiration** – Planning development of INACEB.



**Internationalizing** – Bureaus, integrated resort, exhibition facilities.



**Relentless** – Well financed bureaus and still expanding centres.



**Waking Up** – not yet, but when they do the whole game changes.



#### **Asia's Exhibition Industry - 2015**

#### Key Market Performance in the Regional Exhibitions Space

#### **Exhibition Space Sales and Size of Economy for Key Asian Trade Show Markets**

Ranking	Key Market	Space Sold (SQM) 2015	Share of Space Sold	GDP (MM USD) 2015	Space Sold SQM/GDP	Space Available (SQM) 2016	Space Sold/Space Available
1	China	11,186,000	56.81%	11,007,721	1.02	5,600,039	2.00
2	Japan	2,051,000	10.42%	4,123,258	0.50	358,649	5.72
3	India	991,750	5.04%	2,095,398	0.47	319,892	3.10
4	Hong Kong	964,250	4.90%	309,929	3.11	149,820	6.44
5	Korea	959,000	4.87%	1,377,873	0.70	308,368	3.11
6	Chinese Taipei	796,500	4.04%	528,000	1.51	154,818	5.14
7	Australia	593,500	3.01%	1,339,539	0.44	172,092	3.45
8	Thailand	572,750	2.91%	395,282	1.45	244,323	2.34
9	Singapore	343,750	1.75%	292,739	1.17	219,970	1.56
10	Malaysia	339,250	1.72%	296,218	1.15	75,842	4.47
11	Indonesia	238,250	1.21%	861,934	0.28	170,135	1.40
12	Macau	209,250	1.06%	46,178	4.53	76,715	2.73
13	Vietnam	182,500	0.93%	193,599	0.94	33,793	5.40
14	Philippines	177,250	0.90%	291,965	0.61	26,257	6.75
15	Pakistan	86,500	0.44%	269,971	0.32	37,191	2.33
	Average				0.84		2.48

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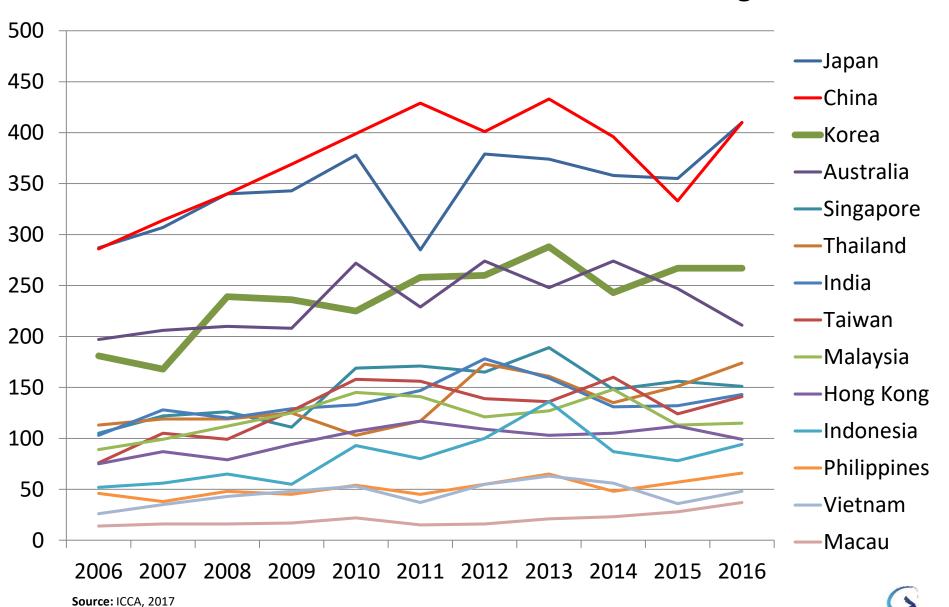




**Source:** GainingEdge research analysis; World Bank, 2016; UFI, July 2016

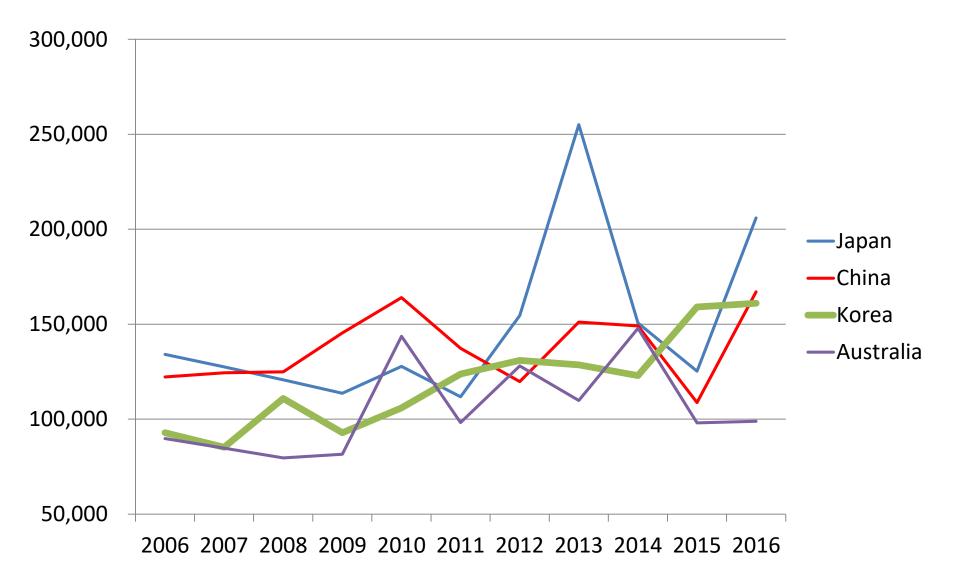


#### **Number of International Conventions Occurring**



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#### **Delegates at International Conventions**





Source: ICCA, 2017

# **Strong Competition from the South**

Asia's second-fastest growing economy after China (East-West Centre)

The ASEAN 5 (Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore and Thailand) attracted more FDI than China - \$128 B vs \$117 B in 2013 (McKinsey)

If ASEAN were a country it would have the 6th largest GDP in the World (IMF)

More than 50% of ASEAN's population is under the age of 30 - compared to 39% for East Asia and 34% for Europe (ASEAN and UN World Population Prospects)

**AEC** 





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#### Asia - MICE



Total MICE spend in Asia
Pacific, 2015
(Not including NA & SA)

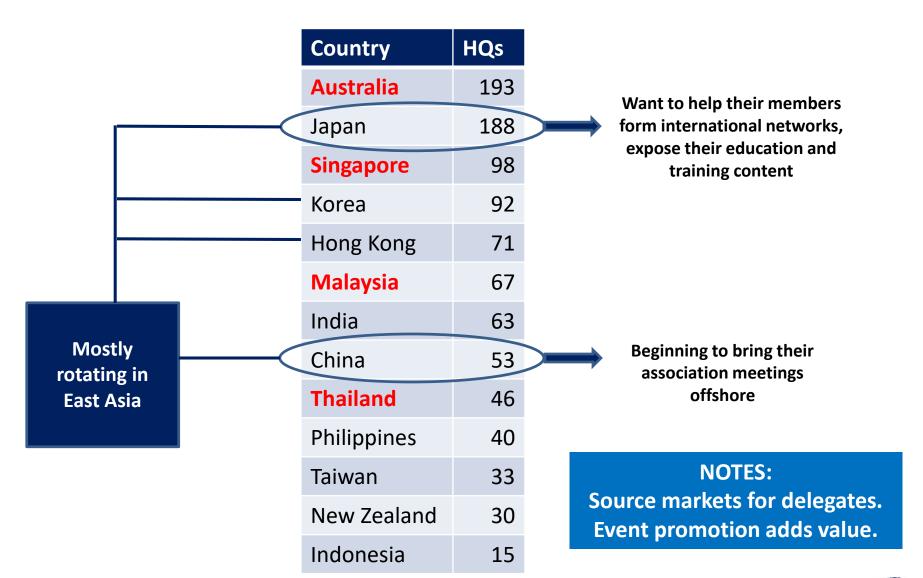
80%

Came from within Asia Pacific, so only 20% sourced from outside (USA/Europe/etc.)

Source: ICESAP research 2016



#### **Asia – Association Market**



Source: ICCA Data, 2016

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#### **Asia – Incentive Market**

Ten of the top twenty three \$Billion + markets are from the Asia/Pacific region:

- 2: China
- 3: Japan
- 4: Korea
- 9: Malaysia
- 12: Taiwan
- 15: Thailand
- 19: Australia
- 20: Philippines
- 22: India
- 23: Indonesia

**Top 3 Product Categories = 81% of total** 

- 39% Wellness
- 25% Cosmetics & Personal Care
- 17% Household Goods & Durables

Incentives aren't going to Europe now – great opportunity for Korea

#### **Snapshot Japan**

- more business-like, less golf and sightseeing, more CSR, more corporate business outcomes – teambuilding, meeting component
- Was seeking Japanese in-bounders in market, now more open to local DMCs
- Build up alliances between Japanese ground operators and local DMCs

Biggest growth industry for Incentives is the network selling organisations such as Amway, Herbalife, NuSkin, Tupperware; this is coming out of China but also other Asia markets

Source: ICESAP research 2016

Source: Direct Selling News, Sept 2015



# General trends in the Association and Incentive Markets:

#### **Association**

- Shorter
- Closer
- Specialising
- Risk adverse
- CSR



- More Asian regional meetings
- 2<sup>nd</sup> tier destinations
- Korea is safe
- CSR offering?

#### **Incentive**

- Shorter
- Closer
- Business elements
- Team building
- Less flashy
- Risk adverse
- CSR



- Focus on Asian movements
- 2<sup>nd</sup> tier destinations
- Korea is safe
- Product development?
- CSR offering?



### TREND: Seeking Outcomes, not Destinations

- Member value
- Financial results
- Attendance
- Event/organisation brand strengthening





#### What it means for Korea

- Focus on delivery
- Strategies that add value



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Winning destinations clearly understand the difference between MICE promotion and tourism promotion.



#### The Convention and Exhibition Industries have Almost Nothing in Common with Tourism

	Tourism	Conventions & Exhibitions		
Participants	Tourists	Professionals / Business People		
Participant Motivations	Fun / Self Actualization	Business / Networking / Learning		
Purpose of Visit	Leisure	Work Related		
Customer Needs	Bargains	High Level of Service and Product		
Buyers	Tour wholesalers / Travel agents	Meeting Planners / AMCs / PEOs		
Buyer Motivations	Fees & Commissions	Successful Meetings / Profitable Shows		
Decision Criteria	Destination Appeal	Facilities / Business Links / Market Issues		
Buyer Service Needs	Reservations / Itineraries	Housing / Registration / Event Services		
Distribution Channels	Travel Agents / Tour Wholesalers / GDS	Corp and Association HQs / AMCs / PEOs		
Supply Chain	Hospitality Industry	PCOs / DMCs / Venues / Event Suppliers		
Market Approach	Advertising / Marketing / Packaging	Direct Sales		
Securing the Business	Strategic / Marketing Oriented	Tactical / Sales Oriented		
Size of Groups	Individuals or small groups	300 – 10,000 delegates		
Main Economic Impact	Direct Spending	Trade and Investment		

Tourism Offices

**Experienced** 

**Not Experienced** 



#### **Comparing Supply Chains**



Hotels, Restaurants
Attractions, Retail
Transportation, Tours



**Business Events** 

# Destination Management Companies

- Ground transportation
- Tours
- Team building
- Social programs

# Exhibition Management Companies

- Stand building
- Drayage
- Storage
- Furniture rental
- Equipment rental
- Cleaning
- Event Marketing
- Exhibition halls

# **Event Management Companies**

- Entertainment
- Decoration
- Costumes
- Props
- Graphic designers
- Lighting
- Sound
- Production
- Rigging
- Special effects

# Professional Congress Organizers

- Registration Services
- Audiovisual Services
- Catering
- Florists
- IT
- Interpretation
- Shipping
- Speakers
- Temporary staff
- Security
- Electrical
- Telecom / internet
- Sponsor development
- Credentials
- Printing
- Signage
- Photography
- Videography
- Teleconferencing
- Convention centres
- Venues



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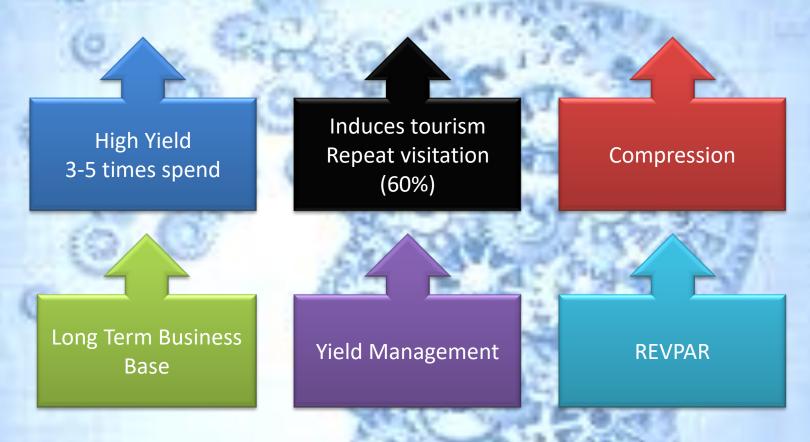
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Winning destinations clearly understand that hosting MICE events is about building knowledge and creative economies – not just filling hotel rooms.

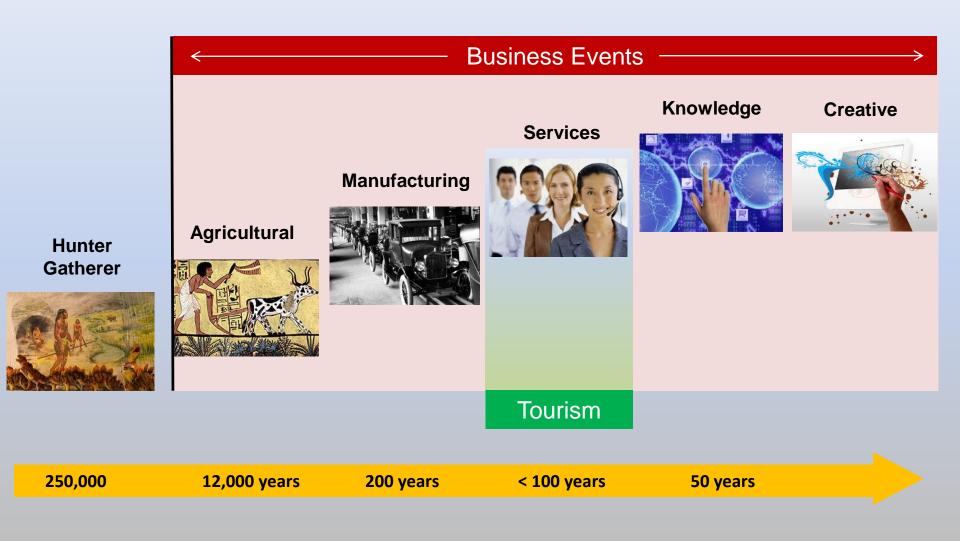


# **Benefits for Hospitality Industry**



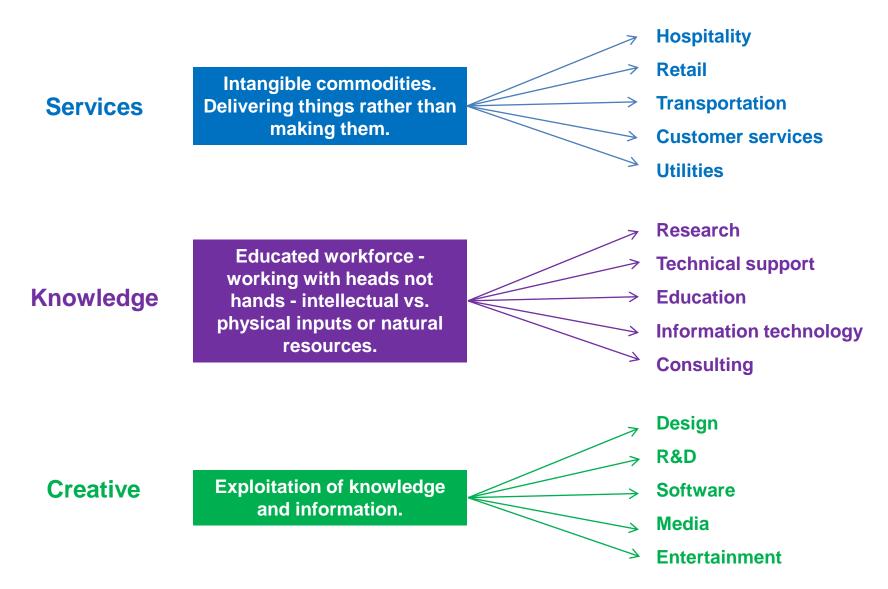
Is a more diverse economy good for the hospitality industry?

#### **A Short History of Economic Revolutions**





#### Knowledge and Creative are Higher Levels of a Service Economy





# TREND: Quality vs Quantity

Visitors or Knowledge & Creative Economy?





#### What it means for Korea

Emphasis on global trade and intellectual engagement

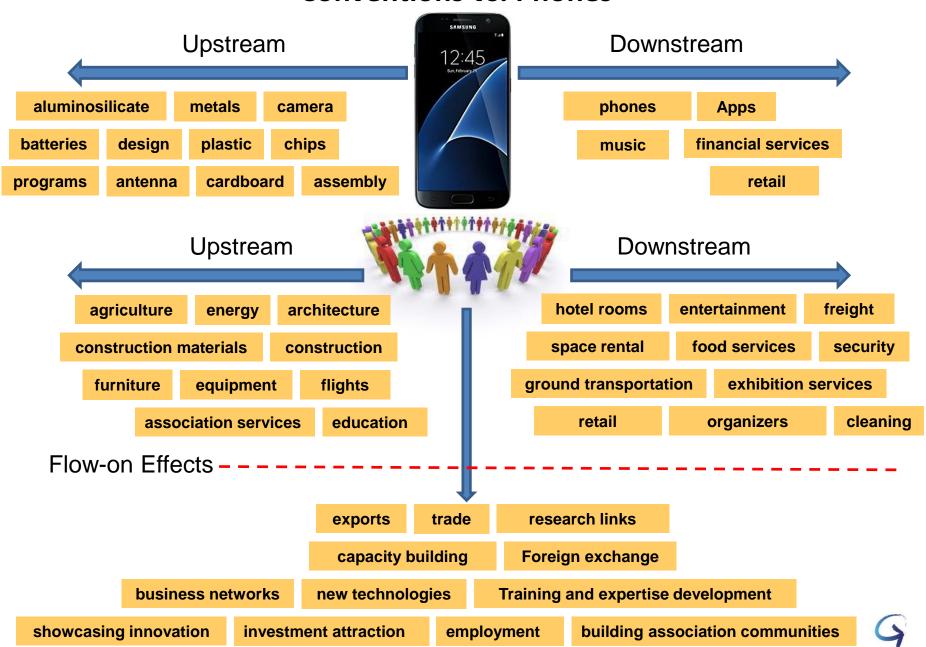
"Beyond-tourism benefits"



#### What Conventions and Exhibitions Really Mean



#### **Conventions vs. Phones**



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# Winning destinations clearly understand what the future of destination development is all about.









#1: Engagement

Interacting with and leveraging the new marketplace



#2: Brand Building

Growing and sustaining the destination brand

#3: New Business



Model

Evaluating and evolving the DMO business model

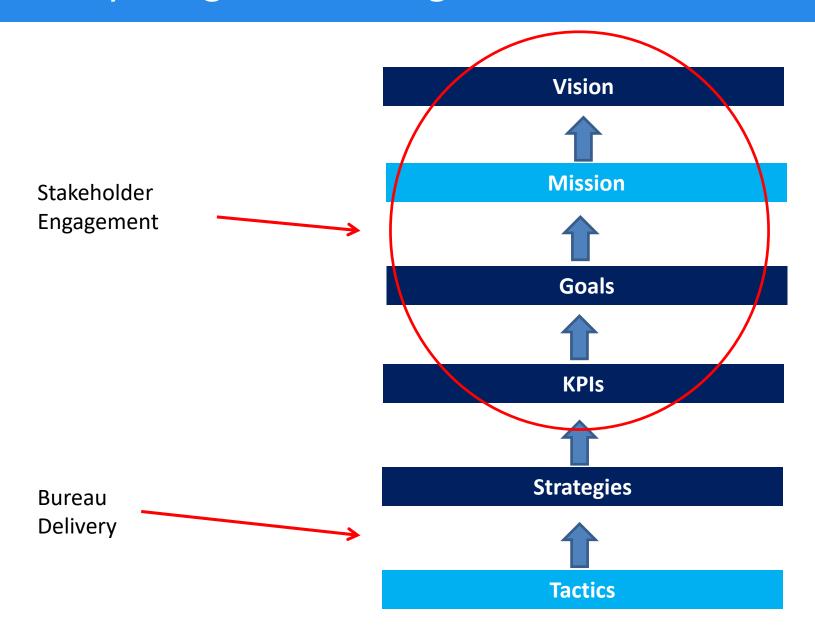


# **Destination Strength Variables**



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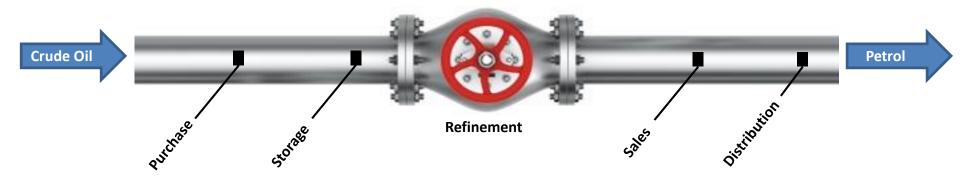
# Vertically Integrated Strategic Plan for MICE



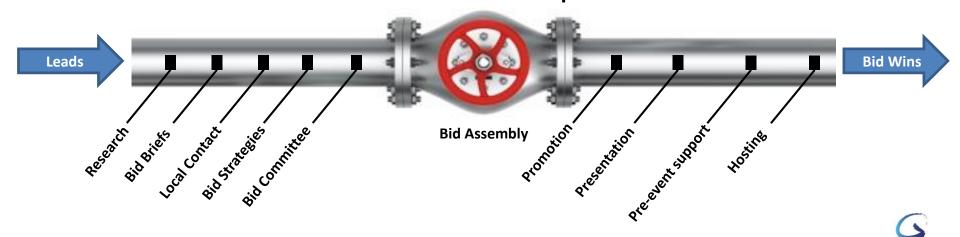


# **Building a Bid Factory**

#### **Oil Company Pipeline**

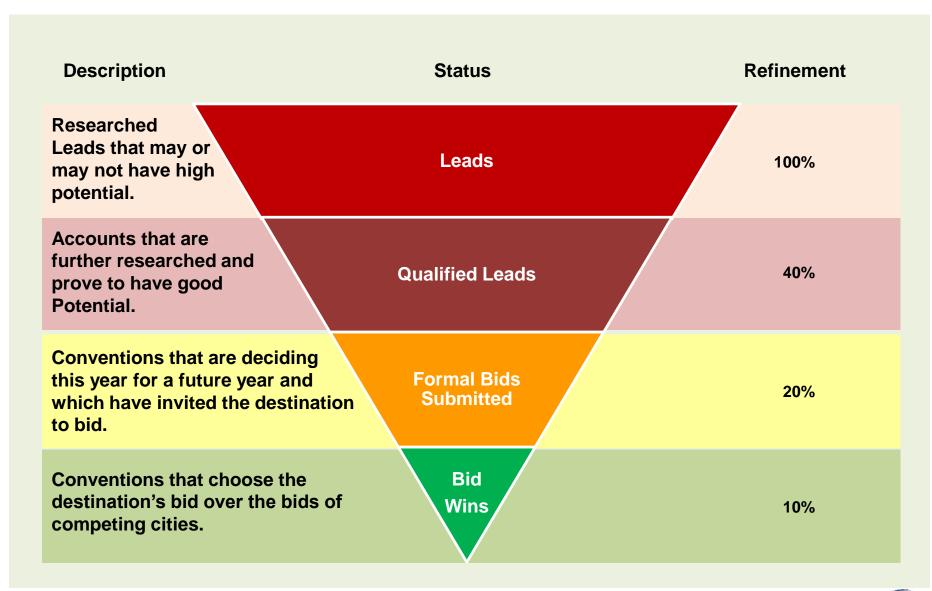


#### **Convention Bureau Pipeline**



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#### The Bid Funnel – from Leads to Bid Wins





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# Winning destinations need to address the "community support" success factor.





# Community Support & Engagement Variables



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Community Support & Engagement

Relative **Importance** 

**Perceived** Performance



1st



Government Commitment



2nd

3rd

**Industry Support** 



3rd

2nd



**Local Community** Support

4th

4<sup>th</sup>

Sophisticated CVB

**Engagement** 

**Unified Effort** 

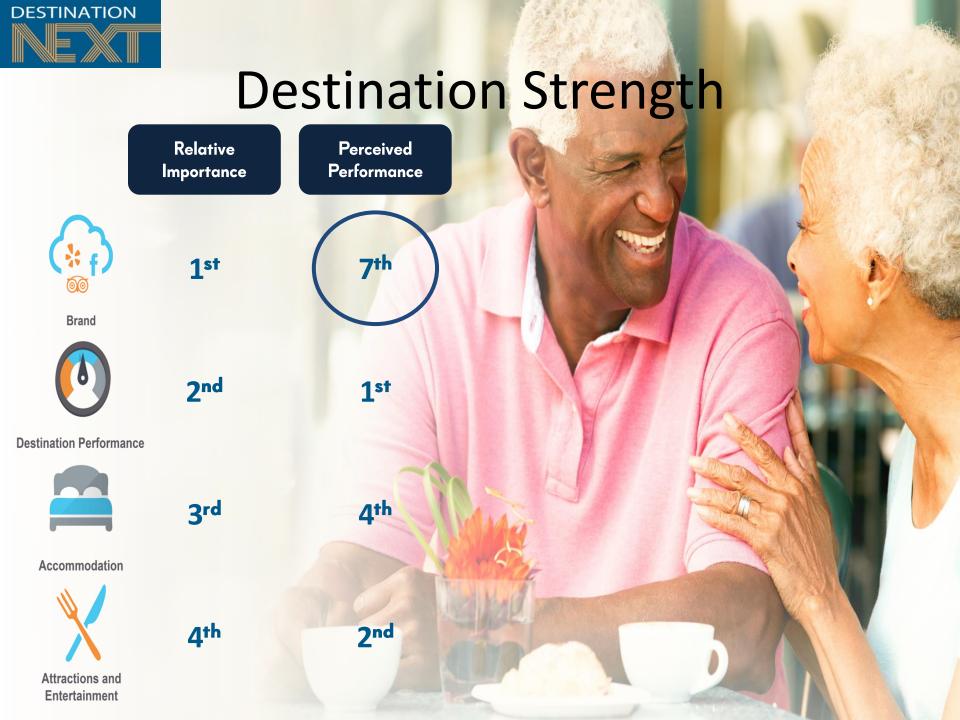
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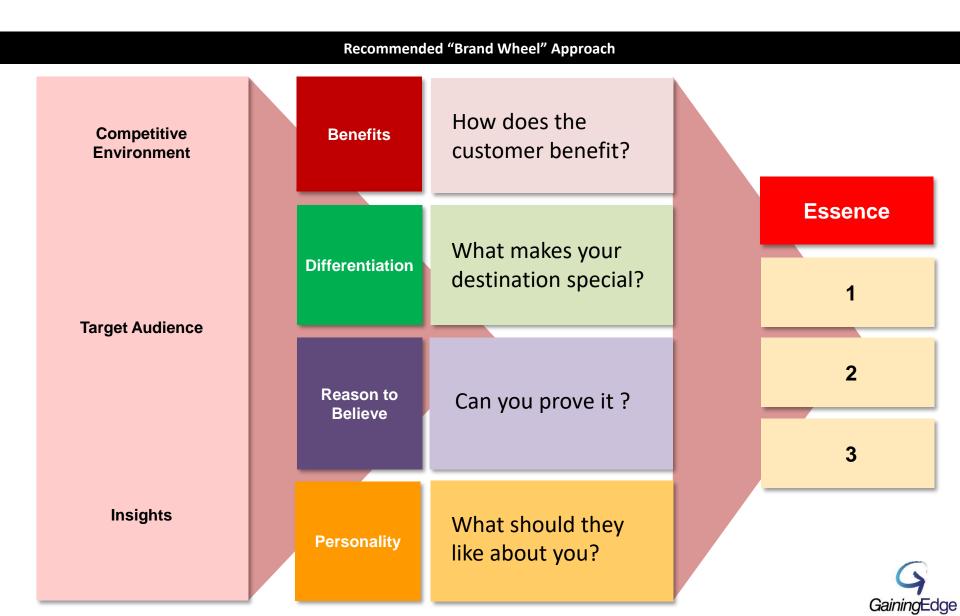


# Winning destinations have developed a clear brand proposition.





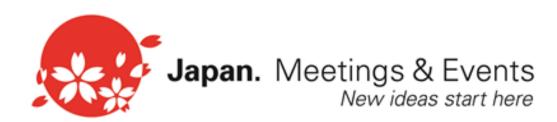
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#### TREND: The Brand

#### Brands and co-brands







#### What it means for Korea

### Changing world of branding

- Delivery vs. Communications
- Capacity building



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# Is yours a winning destination?





#### Different Realities for DMOs

Strong Community Engagement



Weak Community Engagement





# Global Scenario Plots to Date



Where all Korean bureaus need to be.



# Customers Want to Work Through Strong Convention Bureaus

- Client Expectations
  - One stop shop
  - Impartial advice
- Destination Information and Support
- Coordinating Bids
- Liaison with Government / Airlines
- Non-Commercial / Independent / Unbiased



# **Economic Transformation**



Trade & Intellectual Engagement



**Business Events** 



**Convention Bureaus** 



### **Summary: The future belongs to the focussed**

Ingredients of success	Winners	Losers
1. Clear strategy as an industry	$\checkmark$	?
2. Business (not leisure) focus	$\checkmark$	?
3. Bid factory (convention bureau)	$\checkmark$	?
4. Stronger international networks	$\checkmark$	?
5. Capacity building – industry and associations	$\checkmark$	?
6. Product development - delegate experience	$\checkmark$	?
7. Business brand communications	$\checkmark$	?
8. Brand delivery emphasis	$\checkmark$	?
9. Whole of government support (global strategy)	$\checkmark$	?
10. United industry	$\checkmark$	?

