Developing a Model of Influential Factors on Sports Volunteer Tourism in Iran

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1.1 Reviewer 1

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Reviewer:

Expand the literature review to include more recent studies on sports volunteer tourism, especially those that highlight trends post-2020 to ensure relevance.

Clarify the conceptual framework by explicitly defining key constructs like "volunteer tourism satisfaction" and their operationalization in the model.

Detail the criteria used for the qualitative data saturation point. Mention why the threshold was set at ten interviews, and consider if additional perspectives might enrich the data.

Justify the choice of purposive sampling for the qualitative study, especially the criteria for selecting experts, and whether this approach could introduce bias.

Address the representativeness of the quantitative sample. Discuss potential biases in convenience sampling and how they were mitigated.



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Ensure consistency in data collection methods, particularly the duration of interviews, which varied significantly. Explain how this variability was managed to maintain data quality.

Strengthen the measurement validity by providing more details on the questionnaire development process, including pilot testing and factor analysis results.

Include reliability analysis for the qualitative data. Discuss how consistency across different coders was ensured if applicable.

Provide a more detailed explanation of the structural model evaluation, including goodness-of-fit indices, to assess model adequacy.

Clarify the presentation of hypotheses testing results, ensuring that each hypothesis is explicitly stated and then related to the findings.

Provide deeper interpretation of key findings, particularly the relationship between volunteer satisfaction and future intentions.

Suggest methods for cross-validation of the research model in different cultural or geographic contexts.

Ensure consistency and accuracy in citations, and update any references that are outdated or inaccessible.

Improve the manuscript's language for academic tone and clarity, correcting any grammatical or typographical errors.

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