



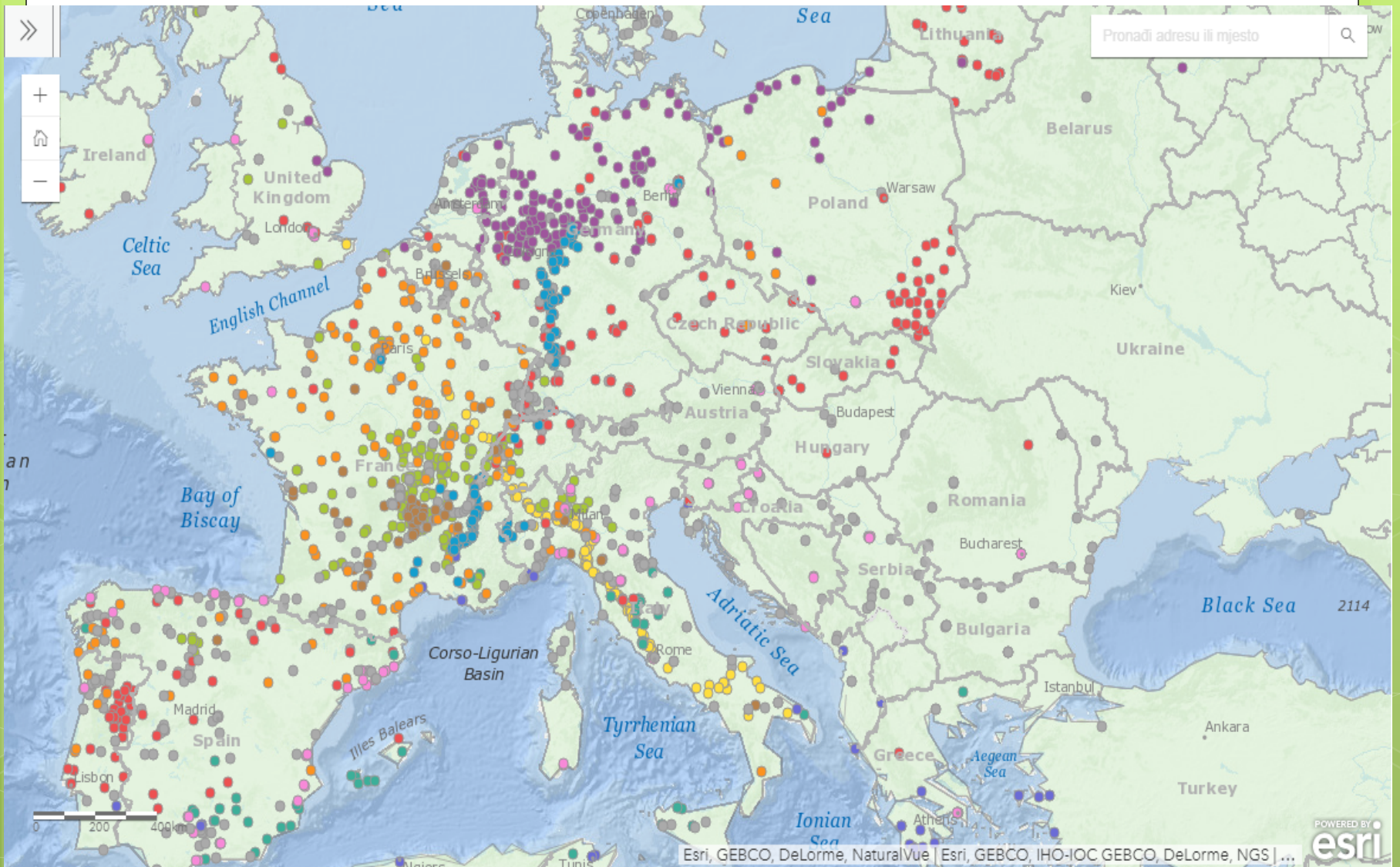
Cultural routes -  
potential for  
info-mobility  
services

# Cultural routes

- Cultural, educational heritage and tourism cooperation project aiming at the development and promotion of an itinerary or a series of itineraries based on a historic route, a cultural concept, figure or phenomenon with a transnational importance and significance for the understanding and respect of common European values
- 33 Cultural Routes are certified by the Council of Europe displaying the richness of European heritage through traditions, history and culture of people as well as philosophical, artistic, political and religious movements

# Cultural routes

- Cultural Routes have an extensive network of 735 members consisting, between others, of stakeholders from cities or municipalities, associations, sites, cultural organizations, tourism stakeholders and scientific organizations
- Stakeholders from the tourism sector such as tourism operators, tourism enterprises and tourism agencies should be added as members to increase the expertise on tourism destination management.



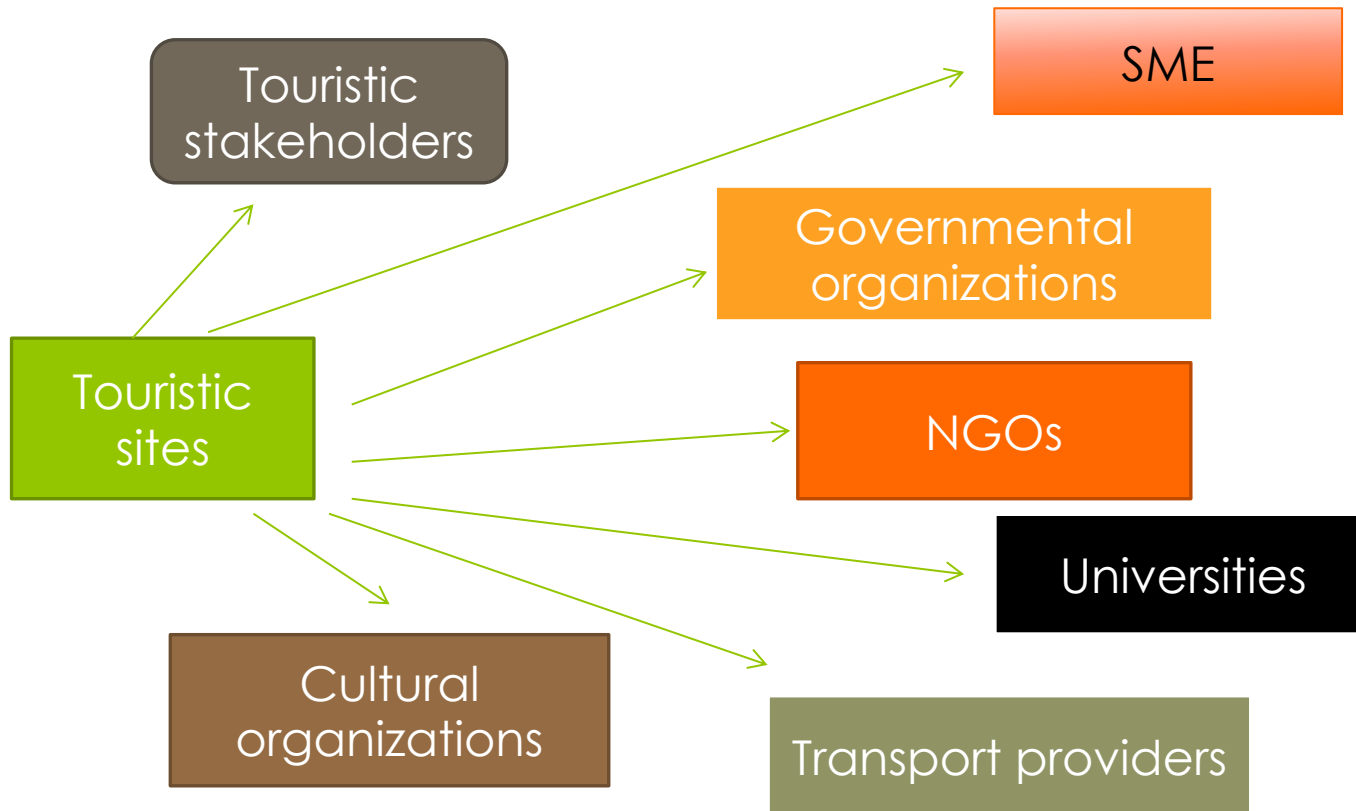
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# Why cultural routes?

- **Europe is the world's No 1 tourist destination** with 50% of the world's total of international tourists' arrivals and leads steady growth of 4% in absolute terms
- Cultural tourism can be described as tourism offering cultural destinations, processes and products.
- Cultural heritage is a job creator not only in the cultural heritage sector, but also in companies providing goods and services for the cultural sector

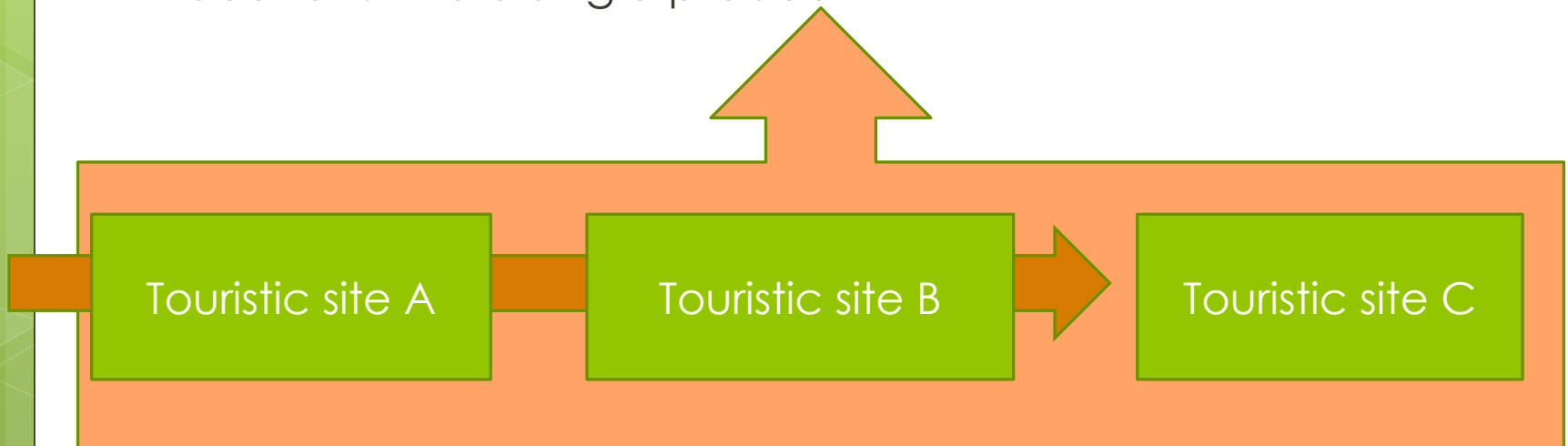
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# Advantages of cultural routes

- „The desire to develop the self through dreams and imagination has produced a shift from need-driven information to storydriven imagination. Storytelling will become one of the major drivers of the dream economy in the future. Stories engage people and add value to experiences.”
- Cultural route is a narrative that unifies a number of locations into a single product



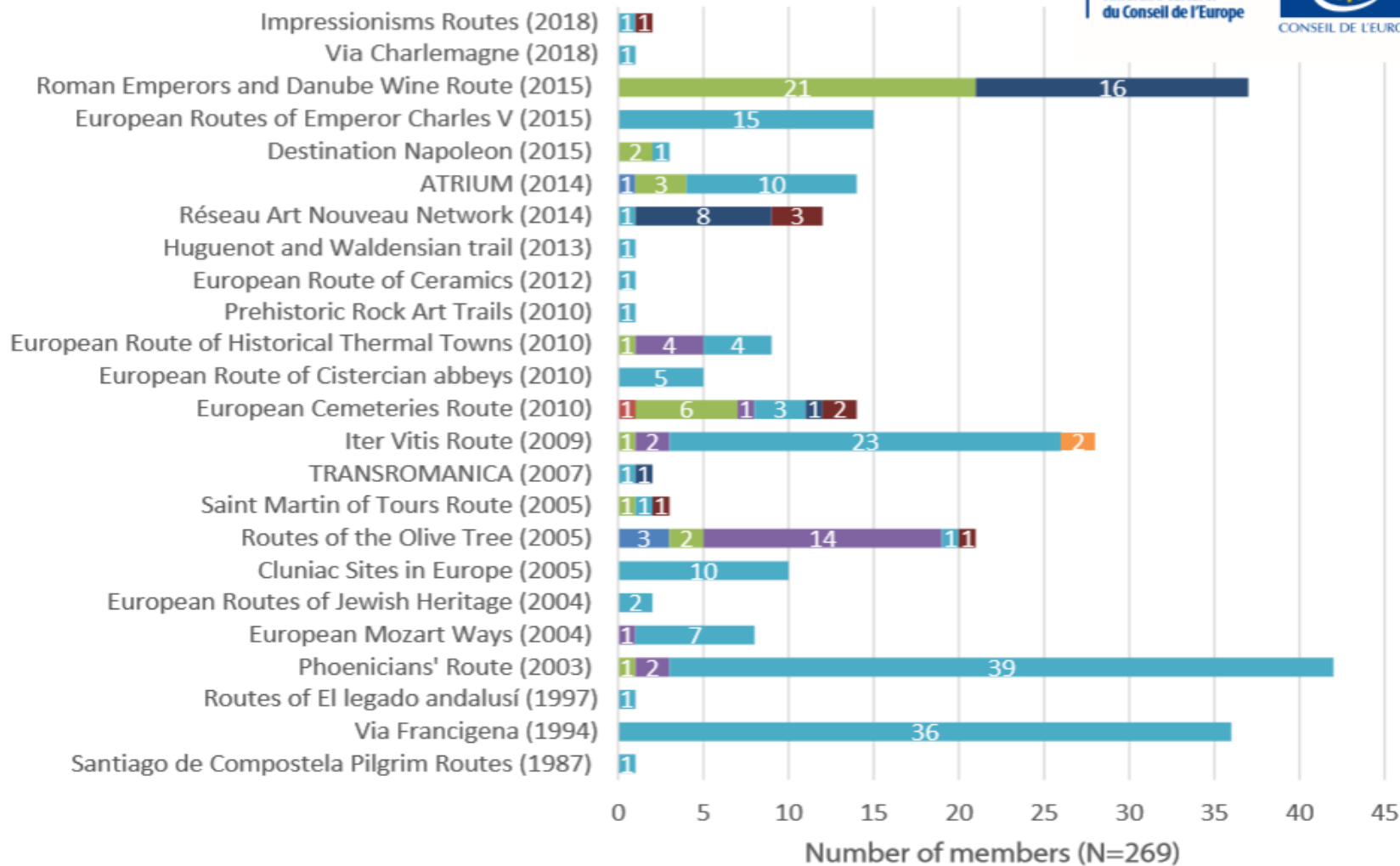


# Info-mobility services

- Info-mobility services provide an opportunity to enhance the unification of a cultural routes
- One route, one trip easily purchased at designated site
- Ease of access, responsive to tourist demands
- Info-mobility services are one of the developmental priorities for cultural routes

Figure 2 – Cultural Routes members per country of the Adriatic-Ionian Region

Cultural route  
of the Council of Europe  
Itinéraire culturel  
du Conseil de l'Europe



■ Albania ■ Bosnia and Herzegovina ■ Croatia ■ Greece ■ Italy ■ Montenegro ■ Serbia ■ Slovenia

# Info-mobility services

- Demand for cultural tourism and cultural routes as a niche tourism on the rise; favorable touristic trends
- Supported by the EU long term strategies and touristic trends
- Available to develop from multiple positions
- Can be newly developed or integrated to existing ones

# Info-mobility services

- Transport lets users consume the product, and info-mobility makes it approachable
- Cultural routes still need to be fully recognized, so promotion should be one of the priorities
- Info-mobility services still need to be fully accepted by the public and the stakeholders?

# Cultural routes - potential for info-mobility services

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