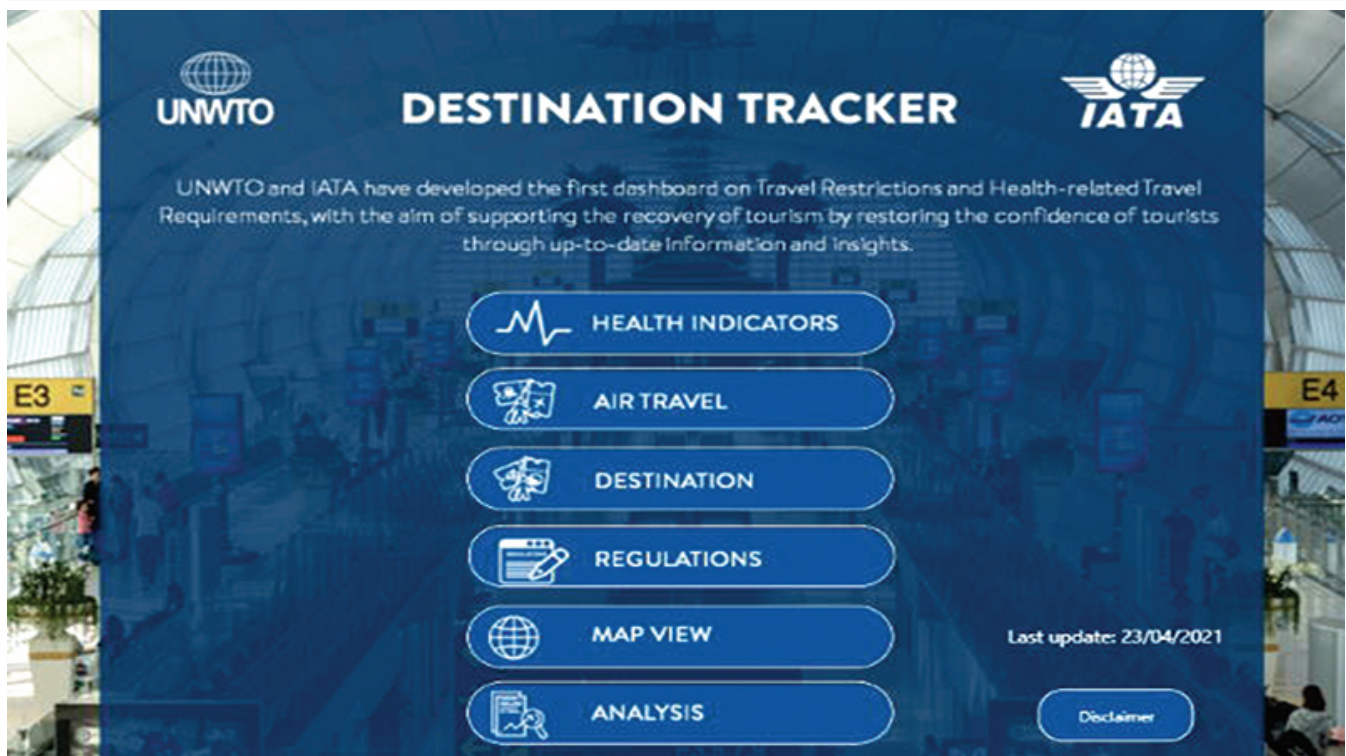


## UNWTO partners with IATA for new Covid-19 tracker

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Madrid : The United Nations World Tourism Organisation (UNWTO) and the International Air Transport Association (IATA) have announced a Destination Tracker in preparation for the restart of international travel.

It is the result of both organisations joining efforts to boost confidence and accelerate recovery of the tourism sector when borders reopen.

The UNWTO-IATA Destination Tracker is a new free online tool for governments to provide information on Covid-19 requirements for travel and the measures in place at the destination.

The tool is available through the websites of both organisations and will provide information on:

Covid-19 Indicators including infection rates, positivity rates, and vaccination roll out by destination/country.

Air Travel Regulations, including test and quarantine requirements, provided by IATA's Timatic solution.

Destination Measures, including general health and safety requirements such as use of masks, transit through a country, curfew, or regulations related to restaurants and attractions, provided by national tourism organisations.

The Destination Tracker will fulfil a key need by providing clarity on Covid-19 measures affecting tourism.

The situation for travellers is complex with UNWTO data showing that one in three

destinations remains closed to tourists.

Moreover, restrictions and in-country measures are continuously being revised.

Zurab Pololikashvili, Secretary General, UNWTO, said, "UNWTO is pleased to reinforce its partnership with IATA, a UNWTO Affiliate Member, to provide this important tool. Travellers and companies will be able to check requirements in place for air travel, as well as what measures will be in place at the visited destination. We trust this tool is also critical for governments to track existing travel restrictions and support the safe restart of our sector."