

Spain optimistic about welcoming int'l travellers by June

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Dhaka: Spanish tourism officials are hopeful they will have the proper protocols ready to welcome back international travellers by this summer.

"Spain will be ready in June to tell all travellers worldwide that you can visit us with certainty," the country's Secretary of State of Tourism, Fernando Valdes Verelst, said during a panel discussion at the World Travel and Tourism Council's ([WTTC](#)) Global Summit in Cancun, Mexico recently.

At present, Americans are not able to visit Spain for leisure purposes, and the US State Department has issued a Level-4 travel advisory for the European destination, advising travellers not to visit due to Covid-19.

The Centers for Disease Controls and Prevention (CDC) has also issued a Level 4 Travel Health Notice for Spain due to the pandemic.

Earlier this month, European Union member states agreed to move forward with a Digital Green Certificate that seeks to facilitate safe travel throughout the continent as early as this summer.

The temporary measure would use a QR code to inform the proper authorities about a traveler's health status, including whether they've received an approved Covid-19 vaccine, fully recovered from the virus, or tested negative within an acceptable timeframe.

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