

Greece officially opening tourist season on March 1

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Athens : Greece is officially opening its doors to international tourists, as the Minister of Tourism, Vassilis Kikilias, said that the Hellenic Republic's tourist season will start on March 1.

"The way we handled the pandemic was so important that while all the other Mediterranean countries were closed in 2020, we opened up. And last year, when everyone believed that revenues from tourism would be EUR 5-6 billion, they reached EUR 10.5 to 11 billion. A huge contribution to the Greek economy and trade," the Minister pointed out.

Recently, Kikilias stressed that the Tourism Ministry and the tourism sector's professionals are attempting to reach pre-pandemic levels during this year.

In addition, tour operators, as well as airlines, are urging for a 30 per cent to 50 per cent increase in seats, travel bookings, and slots for this year, which figures, according to authorities in the Hellenic Republic, are very encouraging.

According to Greek authorities, one in four euros in the country's economy comes indirectly or directly from tourism and reaches the average Greek family in the small and medium business.