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EIT 4140: E-TOURISM

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

SERIES: APRIL 2013 **TIME:** 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

 Answer question ONE (Compulsory) in Section A and any other TWO questions in Section B.

This paper consists of Two printed pages

SECTION A (Compulsory)

QUESTION 1

- a) Discuss the following terms as used in electronic tourism:
 - i) Global Distribution System (GDS)
 - ii) Video conferencing
 - iii) Electronic data Interchange (EDI)

(6 marks)

- b) Discuss **FOUR** advantages of B₂C e-commerce over traditional retailing. (4 marks)
- c) State **THREE** advantages of photocopying as used in developing e-commerce. (3 marks)
- d) Discuss ways in which information technology is used to support tourism information and marketing. (7 marks)

e) Discuss the implications of e-tourism to tourism service providers.

SECTION B (Answer any **TWO** questions)

QUESTION 2

a) Discuss the role of information technology in the tourism sector.

(10 marks)

(10 marks)

b) Discuss the functions of information technology in the airline industry.

(10 marks)

QUESTION 3

- a) Protection of e-commerce and e-tourism sites from security attacks are built around various key concepts. Discuss the various key concepts used. (10 marks)
- b) State and explain with examples tourism components that are considered when developing e-tourism. (10 marks)

QUESTION 4

- a) Discuss the steps in prototyping process in information systems development showing the need for each stage.
 (10 marks)
- **b)** In the light of the three categories of management informational strategic, tactical and operational and three type of decision-structure, semi-structured and unstructured briefly define and describe the following:
 - i) A Transaction Processing System
 - ii) A Customer Intergrated Systems
 - iii) A Management Information System
 - iv) Decision Support Systeym (DSS)
 - v) Executive Information Systems

(10 marks)

QUESTION 5

a) Discuss functions of hospitality information systems in hospitality and tourism. (10 marks)

b) Discuss the functions of electronic communication networks in hospitality and tourism industry.

(10 marks)