# Using crowdsourcing to study the safety perceptions and experiences of tourists

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#### Introduction

- Alternatives to the urban
- Tourist hotspots as:
  - Escapes from the urban
  - Temporary urban space
  - Crime hotspots in rural areas

#### **Tourism and Risk**

- Perceived Risk: 'fear of crime'
  - Local residents
  - Visitors/potential visitors
- Actual Risk: victimisation
  - Local residents
  - Visitors

## Crowdsourcing

- Introduction to our research
- Advantages of crowdsourcing
- Disadvantages of crowdsourcing

## **Preliminary Findings.1**

- Victimisation
  - Explaining the distorted rates of victimisation
  - Explaining variations (why are some tourists at higher risk?)
  - Distinguishing between tourist type and vacation type shows dramatic differences

## **Preliminary Findings.2**

- Perceptions of Secure Destinations
  - Variations between different safety and security risks
  - Variations between countries
  - Variations between different subgroups of tourists

#### Conclusions

- Advantages of Crowdsourcing
- Our findings
- Applications: e.g. Swedish tourists' perceptions/ experiences of risk in different resort areas