Understanding Post-Purchase Regret in Tourism E-commerce Livestreaming

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Abstract

Following the COVID-19 pandemic, a considerable number of tourism businesses have

engaged in livestreaming promotional endeavors. Despite this, a substantial impediment persists

in the form of diminished conversion rates. Moreover, many customers who purchased travel-

related products have canceled their orders before traveling. This study aims to explore the

factors that lead to post-purchase regret before and after consumption. Data were gathered

through semi-structured interviews. We found that impulsive consumption, skeptical

consideration, and objective factors are the three main reasons for post-purchase regret prior to

the actual consumption of the tourism product. Following consumption, the primary causes of

post-purchase regret include service asymmetry, process difficulties, and inefficient after-sales

service. This research thus provides an in-depth understanding of consumer behavior in tourism

e-commerce livestreaming and offers managerial implications for tourism businesses.

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