**COVID-19 IMPACT SURVEY**

**For**

**EXPEDITION PROVIDERS**

***Young Explorers Trust*** *(YET) is very conscious of the vast impact Covid-19 has had on the provision of expedition opportunities for young people and on those who create that provision. What YET does not have is substantiated facts to support this belief, or indeed for it to act as a responsible body in being able to lobby on behalf of the expedition sector to draw attention to the impact on loss of employment within the UK, the economic downturn and loss to the British economy and for those engaged in the provision of expeditions in hosting countries.*

*Please complete this survey to provide YET with this vital information, which once collated will be shared with all who participate and can be used to lobby for support to re-establish the provision of expeditions at least to former levels once the crisis of this pandemic has passed.*

**About your organisation**

1. What is the size of your organisation?

(measured in terms of the number of people directly engaged in the UK in making the provision (administrative/ training and leadership personnel)

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|  | Micro | 1 to 10 persons |
|  | Small | 11 to 20 persons |
|  | Medium | 21 to 50 persons |
|  | Large | more than 50 persons |

1. How many expeditions do you field each year (use July to June as a typical year)?

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|  | Less than 5 expeditions |
|  | 6 to 15 expeditions |
|  | 16 to 25 expeditions |
|  | More than 25 expeditions |

1. How long ago was your organisation established as an expedition provider?

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|  | 1 to 5 years |
|  | 6 to 10 years |
|  | 11 to 20 years |
|  | More than 20 years, i.e. before 21st Century |

1. What age groups does your organisation focus upon?

*Indicate all that apply (with a % weighting if possible)*

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|  | Under 16 years |
|  | 16 to 18 years |
|  | 18 to 20 years |
|  | Over 20 years |
|  | Adults (i.e.+ 25 years) |

1. What areas of outdoor learning does your organisation focus on?

*Indicate all that apply (with a % weighting if possible)*

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|  | Personal development of young people |
|  | Mental and physical wellbeing |
|  | Enhancement of knowledge and understanding of other places and cultures |
|  | Community work (e.g. clean water supply, assisting in building projects) |
|  | Adventurous activity land based  |
|  | Adventurous activity water based |

1. Where have your organisation’s expeditions taken place in the last 3 years:

*(if possible, name countries and give a % weighting)*

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|  | The UK *(specify if just DofE)* |  | The Far East (e.g. Vietnam, China) |
|  | Europe (include Iceland) |  | Asia (India, Nepal etc) |
|  | Africa (north of Sahara) |  | North America |
|  | Africa (south of Sahara) |  | South America |
|  | Australia / New Zealand |  | Others (e.g. Greenland, Svalbard,) |

1. What has been the immediate impact of Covid -19 on your organisation?

*Indicate all that apply (with a % weighting if possible)*

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|  | Cancellation of all expeditions taking the field in 2020 |
|  | Cancellation of some expeditions taking the field in 2020 *(please give a % if possible)* |
|  | Cancellation of all expeditions taking the field in 2021 |
|  | Cancellation of some expeditions taking the field in 2021 *(please give a % if possible)* |

1. Approximately what is the value in GBP of lost income to your organisation?

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| For 2020 before July |  |
| For 2020 July to September |  |
| For 2020 after September |  |
| For 2021 as at 1st April 2020 |  |

1. How is your organisation responding to participants with bookings?

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|  | Announcing termination of expedition contracts with a full refund |
|  | Announcing termination of expedition contracts with a partial refund |
|  | Offering a transfer of bookings for a similar expedition in 2021 |

1. How is your organisation responding to the immediate impact and projected lost income?

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|  | Making majority of staff redundant |
|  | Placing majority of staff on furlough but retaining core team to enable provision to re-start for when travel destinations lockdowns are lifted |
|  | Re-directing focus of the organisation to other activities and nearby destinations |
|  | Reducing the operational size of the organisation |
|  | Preparing to close the organisation permanently |

1. What aspects of government support is your organisation taking advantage of?

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| Already …………… |
| Proposing to ……… |

**Looking to the future…**

*(The boxes below will expand with the size of your answer)*

1. What further support would assist the recovery of your organisation?

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1. What are the probable long-term effects of Covid – 19 on your organisation?

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1. How might the youth expedition sector evolve after Covid – 19?

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1. How could the educational value of the Expedition sector be more valued by society post Covid – 19?

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**END of Questions**

Thank you for taking part in this survey.

Please submit your answers to Graham Derrick, who is co-ordinating this work for YET,

to be received not later than **Friday 19th June 2020**

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