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## Meet Bristol & Bath Members Forum - Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021



## **Speakers**

- Jack Marczewski Event Director The Meetings Show
- Leo Platt Managing Director Hyybab
- Peter Heath Managing Director Venue Performance
- Amy Phillips, Meet Bristol & Bath update
- Questions



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### Meet Bristol & Bath Update

# Activity Update

- Exhibited at CHS Birmingham
- New video content
- Hybrid events guide FAQ's
- AIEA FAM Trip
- AIEA Selling to agents training





# Agency Training Highlights

- Communicate: Update agents with personal work e-mail addresses, answer the phone, manage expectations with a speedy turn around (where possible).
- **Clarity:** Provide the best rate at the start, clear commission offer, be willing to negotiate.
- Site visits: Show agents what they need first then what you're excited about if there's time.
- Fam trips don't have to be a burden: Great opportunity to work together to cement relationships between agents and venues.
- The AIEA Is Here To Help: Get involved, communicate directly with agents. Join AIEA Slack channel.



# Enquiry Trends

- Short lead enquiries
- Longer sales process Venue response times, client indecision
- Rise in team building requests
- Big rise in Christmas party enquiries conversions very slow
- Switch to virtual for Q1



## Activity Update



#### Coming soon:

- Conference legacy web pages
- Too Good to Go partnership
- Continuous improvements to the website to generate more enquiries: Focus on Christmas, Incentive travel and team building listings





- Stand partner opportunities The Meetings Show (29-30 June 2022)
- Content: Christmas, sustainability, incentive experiences
- Dedicated Incentive Travel Newsletter (quarterly)
- Advertise vacancies on the Visit West careers page



# Questions?

