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1. The Commission is currently assessing the Royal Decree 933/2021 in the light of EU data protection law. The Commission will monitor the effects of the Decree on the competitiveness of the tourism sector, taking into account the goal of avoiding additional burden for companies in this sector.
2. At the EU level, the Commission aims to overall reduce administrative burden and bring simplification in particular for small and medium-sized enterprises, including tourism businesses. The Competitiveness Compass for the EU¹ sets a target of reducing burdens associated with reporting requirements by 25%, without undermining the policy objectives of the initiatives concerned.
3. The Commission will present in early 2026 its Sustainable Tourism Strategy. Consultations with stakeholders in Spain and beyond, and obviously with the European Parliament, will take place in the next months to define the priorities and the content of the said Strategy. While the Commission will continue to push for a more sustainable, digital and resilient tourism ecosystems, the new Strategy will also address a number of areas for action, including the need to ensure more and better statistical data that are needed to identify and respond to emerging challenges without creating unnecessary bureaucratic burden.

¹ https://commission.europa.eu/document/download/10017eb1-4722-4333-add2-e0ed18105a34_en