**Kosova Travel Guide - Project Presentation**

**Introduction**

Kosova Travel Guide is an innovative website designed to assist tourists in planning and organizing their trip to Kosovo. It will provide essential travel information, interactive features, and a game-like progress tracker to enhance the travel experience. Our goal is to create an engaging and user-friendly platform that promotes Kosovo as a top travel destination.

**Why This Project?**

* **Originality**: There is no dedicated website or app that provides an interactive and detailed guide solely for Kosovo. Most existing platforms only mention Kosovo briefly as part of broader travel guides.
* **Tourism Growth**: This project will contribute to Kosovo’s tourism industry by making it easier for visitors to explore the country, discover attractions, and plan their stay.
* **Comprehensive & Interactive**: Unlike static travel websites, our platform will offer personalized recommendations, interactive maps, an AI chatbot, and a gamified progress tracker.

**Key Features**

* **City & Region Selection** – Users can choose a city or region to get specific recommendations.
* **Step-by-Step Trip Planner** – A game-like progress bar guides users through each stage of their journey.
* **Flight & Airport Information** – Visitors can check flight details and arrival instructions.
* **Taxi & Transport Suggestions** – Reliable taxi services will be recommended.
* **Hotel & Accommodation Listings** – Users can browse places to stay.
* **Restaurant & Food Recommendations** – Filtered by location and cuisine type.
* **Top Tourist Attractions** – A curated list of must-visit places.
* **Interactive Map** – Shows routes, attractions, and local services.
* **Cultural Insights & Fun Facts** – Learn about Kosovo’s history and traditions.
* **AI Chatbot Guide** – Provides instant travel assistance.
* **Currency Exchange Info** – Helps tourists manage their budget.
* **User Reviews & Bookmarks (For Registered Users)** – Personalized experience for repeat travelers.

**Technologies Used**

To build a fast, responsive, and interactive website, we will use:

* **Frontend:** Next.js (React Framework), Tailwind CSS for styling
* **Backend:** Node.js with Express.js
* **Database:** MongoDB
* **Authentication:** AuthO
* **API Integrations:** Google Maps API (for maps & routes), OpenAI API (for AI chatbot), Travel APIs (for flights, hotels, etc.)
* **Version Control & Collaboration:** GitHub (for tracking changes and team collaboration)
* **Deployment:** Vercel (for hosting the website)

**Project Timeline & Phases**

We have approximately 12-13 weeks to complete the project. Below is a structured plan:

**Phase 1: Planning & Research (Week 1-2)**

* Define all website features & finalize requirements.
* Sketch wireframes and design the user interface.
* Research and gather necessary travel data.

**Phase 2: Development - Core Features (Week 3-7)**

* Set up project structure (frontend, backend, database).
* Implement main functionalities: city selection, trip planner, transport & hotel recommendations.
* Integrate maps and AI chatbot.

**Phase 3: Enhancements & UI Improvements (Week 8-9)**

* Add user authentication and registered user features.
* Improve website design and responsiveness.
* Optimize for speed and SEO.

**Phase 4: Testing & Bug Fixing (Week 10-11)**

* Conduct extensive testing for all features.
* Fix issues and optimize performance.
* Get feedback and refine UX/UI.

**Phase 5: Deployment & Finalization (Week 12-13)**

* Deploy website on Vercel.
* Final quality checks and documentation.
* Prepare for launch and marketing.

**Conclusion**

Kosova Travel Guide is a unique project aimed at boosting Kosovo’s tourism industry by providing an interactive and informative platform for visitors. By combining modern web technologies with engaging travel planning features, we will create an essential tool for tourists looking to explore Kosovo efficiently. This project will not only serve as a valuable resource for travelers but also showcase our skills in web development and teamwork.

**Planned Completion Date: May 31 - June 7, 2025**