Staying Ahead of the Curve with 2024 Meeting and Event Trends

- Rising costs require partner support for exceptional events.
 - o 82% of planners expect costs to increase, leading to upward budget adjustments.
 - With demand for in-person events remaining high, planners will be looking for creative meeting solutions with big wow-factors.
 - o 76% of planners plan to work with local CVBs.
- Tip: Show planners how they can get creative with their budgets at your venue and still get that wow factor!
- Using visual and interactive content in the sourcing process leads to sale success.
 - o 53% of planners say images and videos are among the three most influential features during sourcing.
 - o 51% same the same thing about floor plans and diagrams.
 - Virtual and augmented reality are becoming standard practice for every event planner.
- Tip: Upgrade your hotel or venue listing with more visual and interactive content of your meeting spaces.
- Sustainability is key when selecting a venue.
 - o 31% of travelers reported they are willing to spend more on accommodation if they know it is sustainably operated.
 - Another 31% of planners say sustainability will predominantly share their event planning priorities in 2024.
- Fig. Highlight sustainability initiatives and achievements, big and small!

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