

Taiwan selected world's fifth most friendly country in 2018



Taipei, Jan. 9 (CNA) Taiwan was selected the fifth most friendly country in the world in 2018 by customers of Booking.com – one of the largest e-commerce travel companies in the globe.

Erluanbi, the southernmost tip in Taiwan, was chosen as the most friendly travel destination in the country, according to Booking.com, with Taiwanese travelers identifying the friendliness of a destination as an important element in deciding whether to visit.

Australia, the Czech Republic, Poland and New Zealand were the top four countries on the list, while Romania, Hungary, Iceland, Serbia, and Greece rounded off the top 10, according to the website, which released the ranking as part of its 2018 Guest Review Awards.

In 2018, 759,845 travel accommodation providers in 219 countries and areas received a Guest Review Award based on guest comments. Italy retained the top spot with 106,513 lodgings winning awards, Spain came second with 46,646 and France was third with with 45,286, according to the website.

Taiwan was ranked 33rd in terms of Guest Review Awards, an

improvement of three places from 2017, with 5,212 accommodation operators receiving awards.

Bed and breakfast, hotels and youth hostels were the most popular accommodation among travelers visiting Taiwan in 2018, the website said.

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