



The One Planet network implements the 10 Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production (10YFP).

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Be part of the global community and share your contributions on SDG 12

At the High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) in 2021, the United Nations will review progress of the global community on SDG 12 on 'Sustainable Consumption and Production'. The One Planet network annual reporting is your opportunity to share your efforts on how you are supporting the shift to more sustainable consumption and production practices and be part of the movement for a sustainable future.

Have you developed guidance material to help others succeed in their sustainability transition? Or has your business or organisation itself implemented changes in your sector to decrease your environmental footprint? Is your government in the process of developing or implementing policies to facilitate sustainable consumption and production practices in your country? Make sure your work is counted as contributing to SDG targets 12.1 and 12.2 and included in the HLPF report of the One Planet network.

[Share your efforts, be part of the global community on SDG 12, and inspire others, by January 15th, 2021](#)

Latest News



Public Procurement for a Responsible Recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic

The [One Planet Network Sustainable Public Procurement Programme](#) calls upon the global public procurement community to leverage purchasing power to respond and recover responsibly from the COVID-19 pandemic. In particular, the programme has proposed [eight concrete actions](#) for the public procurement community to take.

Different sectors face distinct challenges, but also unique opportunities to contribute to a responsible recovery. The SPP programme has brought together suggestions for a selection of [high-impact sectors](#), including health care, construction, textiles, plastic and more.

[Read more about the efforts of the SPP programme to harness the power of its network for a responsible recovery](#)



Sustainable Tourism programme launches repository of inspiring COVID-19 initiatives, tools and strategic thinking

This repository of inspiring initiatives, tools and strategic thinking builds on the Sustainable Tourism's Programme's [One Planet Vision](#), which calls for a responsible recovery of the tourism sector from the COVID-19 crisis.

Providing reflections from thought leaders on the challenges and opportunities for the responsible and sustainable recovery of tourism, this repository aims to inspire further action from governments and the private sector by highlighting tools and initiatives from stakeholders who are leading by example.

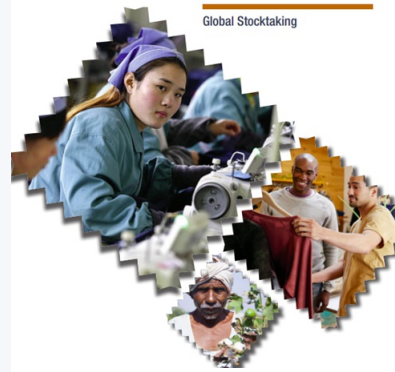
The examples support a responsible recovery of the tourism sector for people, planet and prosperity and take into account one or more of the lines of action recommended by the Vision, namely: public health, social inclusion, biodiversity conservation, climate action, circular economy and governance and finance.

[Come check out the op-eds, policy and governance examples, and guidelines & tools available in the repository](#)



Sustainability and Circularity in the Textile Value Chain

Global Stocktaking



New video from UNEP on sustainability and circularity in the textile value chain

Following the recent launch of its [report on Sustainability and Circularity in the Textile Value Chain](#), UNEP has released this [short video](#) showcasing the main findings.

More than 300 million employees work along the textile value chain and according to one source the sector accounts for approximately 8% of world's greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. The report aims to map the textile value chain to identify key environmental and socio-economic impacts ('hotspots') along the value chain stages and takes stock of existing initiatives working to address them. It then identifies priority actions needed to move towards a more sustainable and circular textile value chain.

[Find out more about the report, its launch, and download the document in six languages](#)



Encouraging action on more sustainable data centre products through procurement

In this interview from the [One Planet Sustainable Public Procurement Programme](#), Barton Finn, Purchaser Engagement Manager at TCO Development, shares his insight on trends for sustainable data centre products and the critical role procurement plays in driving progress.

IT sustainability is a growing trend as the impact of this industry has become clear nowadays. Procurement sits at the frontline of the shift to sustainability as a core strategy, with more and more purchasers leveraging their decisions to influence the market towards broader societal goals. And yet, data centres receive relatively little attention.

Among the main reasons for this is the “invisible” and highly complex nature of data centres and the servers and other equipment they contain, which lead manufacturers to focus on quick fixes, such as reducing energy consumption. But we are still not hearing much about other sustainability issues: supply chain responsibility for the manufacturing phase? Factory working conditions? Conflict minerals? Dangerous chemicals?

[Read more about efforts underway to address these issues, and how your organisation can also take part](#)

New Publications



Towards a Common Understanding of Sustainable Food Systems: Key approaches, concepts and terms

This new publication from the [One Planet Sustainable Food Systems Programme](#) facilitates knowledge and promotes a common understanding of key approaches, concepts, and terms related to sustainable food systems among a broad range of relevant stakeholders, globally.

This reference document for anyone working toward more sustainable consumption and production patterns in the area of food and agriculture. It looks at food systems through an holistic lens by taking a Sustainable Food Systems Approach. It is a tool that can support governments and other food systems actors in creating policy environments that are conducive to more sustainable food systems.

It is part of the “SFS Toolbox,” which also includes the [Collaborative Framework for Food Systems Transformation](#), a set of case studies, and an online learning course.

[Download the full publication to find out how the SFS programme is bringing together an holistic understanding of food systems](#)

Opportunities to Collaborate



Consumer Information Programme is looking for three new organisations to join its Multi-stakeholder Advisory Committee (MAC)

The [Consumer Information Programme](#) is calling for applications from organisations interested in joining its Multi-stakeholder Advisory Committee. Members of the MAC should demonstrate recognised expertise and experience and/or strong interest in sustainable consumption, if possible reflected in policies and projects; and have played an active role in supporting the sustainable consumption and production and/or sustainable development agenda at national, regional and/or sectoral levels.

[Come have a look at what it means to be in the MAC and the benefits of joining this dynamic group](#)



Call for proposals for textiles implementing partners in Africa

This InTex Project, funded by the European Commission (EC), promotes innovative business practices and economic models in the textile value chain. The project will drive the uptake of eco-innovation and Product Environmental Footprint (PEF) in SMEs in the textile sector in three countries in Africa and ensure sustainability of the approach, by strengthening the capacity of local partners who can continue to deliver knowledge and capacity beyond the project life-span.

The three countries are to be selected through a call for proposals, and with it also the three technical intermediaries UNEP will partner with to implement the three components that have national focus.

[Find more information about the call for proposals, eligibility criteria, and how to apply](#)



Help to inform future activities on Consumer Information Tools

The [One Planet Network Consumer Information Programme](#) is conducting a survey on consumer information tools for sustainable consumption and production. The focus of the survey is on tools that can help consumers make more informed choices by providing reliable product sustainability information. The Programme would like to get a better overview of existing consumer information tools and identify emerging trends and current gaps in the provision of product sustainability information.

Going forward, the Programme will use some of the collected consumer information tools as examples for how sustainability information is communicated to consumers in Programme outputs (e.g. reports, website, social media) or at events (e.g. conferences, webinars).

[Find out more about the survey and how you can participate before 31 January 2021](#)

Webinars

Circular Economy & Tourism



12 January 2021, 14h30h CET

The tourism sector is a generator of jobs and income, but without proper systems in place tourism can consume large quantities of energy, water, and plastics which degrade the environmental quality of coastal destinations and ecosystems, and affect the lives of residents. New and circular business models are needed to change the way tourism operates and enable businesses and destinations to be sustainable. The COVID-19-related tourism pause is an opportunity to rethink, refocus, and reimagine how the tourism sector can build a better and more circular tourism system for the future.

This Webinar brings together policy-makers and leading private sector stakeholders to discuss the needed transition to circular business models and explore approaches to operationalising a circular tourism economy in a post-COVID world.

[Register here to take part in the webinar](#)



The EU Ecolabel for Tourist Accommodations - Engaging together in a sustainable recovery

21 January 2021, 10h - 12h30 CET

The aim of the webinar is to provide tourism stakeholders an overview on the EU Ecolabel - the official European Union label of environmental excellence contributing to climate neutrality and to the circular economy. Moreover, the EU Ecolabel criteria for tourism accommodation and related application process will be presented in detail to potential applicants.

[Find out more about the EU Ecolabel, the agenda of the webinar and how to register](#)



Guidelines for
SOCIAL LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT OF
PRODUCTS AND ORGANIZATIONS 2020

Official launch of the Social LCA Guidelines 2020

21 January 2021, 14h CET

The [Guidelines for Social Life Cycle Assessment \(S-LCA\) of Products](#) provide a roadmap and a body of knowledge to help stakeholders in the assessment of social and socio-economic impacts of products' life-cycles, their related value chains and organisations.

This webinar will officially launch the updated guidelines, together with the project Chairs and the first companies to apply the new guidelines, who will share their experiences and discuss the associated benefits.

To attend, please send an email to marzia.traverso@inab.rwth-aachen.de



Discover the Potential of SDGs for your Business Strategy

28 January 2021, 9h & 15h30 CET

In this webinar, participants will hear how companies are approaching the SDGs in their business practices.

LCA-based assessment of the Sustainable Development Goals

Development update and preliminary findings of the Project "Linking the UN Sustainable Development Goals to life cycle impact pathway frameworks"

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Discussions will center around how the SDGs can add value to your business sustainability strategy, and how you can make the SDGs more pragmatic for businesses by using Life Cycle Assessment (LCA). PRé and 2.0-LCA, together with the Life Cycle Initiative, will provide insights from the project 'Linking the UN Sustainable Development Goals to life cycle impact pathway frameworks' by sharing the approaches they have developed so far.

Business partners from the project will share their experiences from applying the methodology within their organisations. Time will be reserved for questions to fuel a lively discussion. To prepare for the event, you can [download the publication and read more about the approach and method.](#)

Register to join either for the [9h time slot](#) or the [15h30 time slot](#) on January 28th, 2021



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