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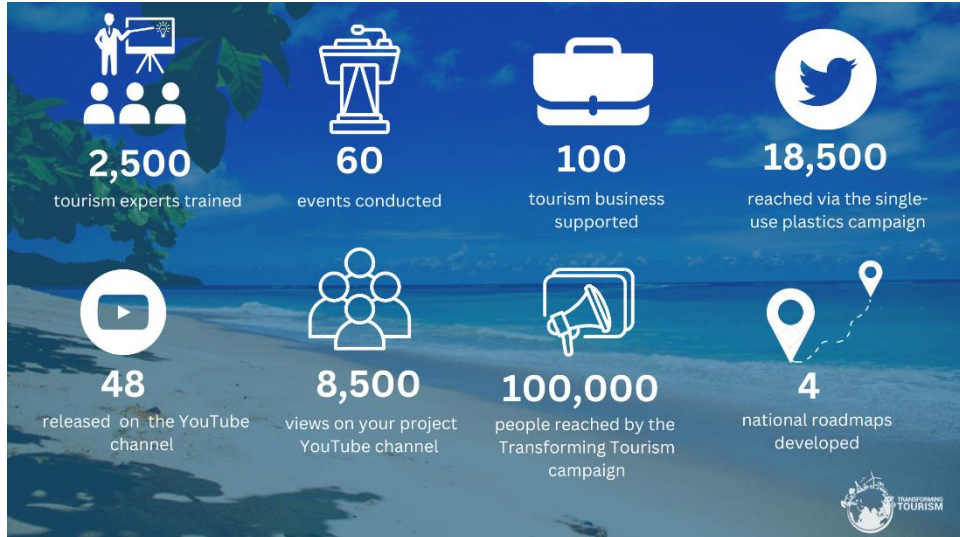
Dear

all,

We hope that you are doing well and staying safe. It is with a heavy heart that we are sending this final update of the Transforming Tourism Value Chains project. Indeed, as most of you are already aware, we are now wrapping up our activities and as the project will come to a close at the end of the month.

In this edition, you will learn more about our two final conferences that were organised in the Dominican Republic and the Philippines. A very special thanks to everyone who attended and helped organised. During these events, we reflected on all the project activities that took place during the past six years and measured the impacts as well as key

achievements of the project which would not have been possible without all your support! We can proudly say that since the implementation of the Transforming Tourism project, there were:



Our tools, resources remain available in our [knowledge center](#). Feel free to use them: they are free of charge and will remain online.

We have also developed an exit strategy for each country and some business associations and destinations will take on board our tools.

We would like to thank everyone, especially our donor, the International Climate Initiative (IKI), as well as all our implementing partners in the four countries and the 100 businesses engaged in the project: you have been instrumental in the success of the project and we do hope to keep in touch.

With huge thanks!

Kind Regards,

The Transforming Tourism Value Chain project team

Closure events and key successes

Destinations for the Future, final project conference, 26 and 27 October 2022, Punta Cana, Dominican Republic



Over 100 experts participated in the Destinations for the Future event organised by UNEP and TourCert on October 26th and October 27th in Punta Cana. The conference provided the opportunity for experts and leaders from the public and private sector, as well as other relevant stakeholders to learn about trends, opportunities, and challenges in tourism destinations, share best practices, and identify priorities to advance sustainable tourism in a changing environment. It also highlighted the key results and impacts of the Transforming Tourism Value Chains project in the Dominican Republic and shared some best practices.





[Access the resources and recording of the event](#)

Paving Sustainable Paths towards Inclusive and Climate-Resilient Destinations, final conference, 8 and 9 November 2022, Philippines



UNEP, the Department of Tourism (DOT) and the Philippine Center for Environmental Protection and Sustainable Development, Inc. (PCEPSDI) organised the “Transforming Philippine Tourism: Paving Sustainable Paths Towards Inclusive and Climate-Resilient Destinations” conference on November 8-9 in Manila. The two-day conference echoed the international call for green recovery for the tourism sector, which includes better conservation and sustainable management of natural tourism destinations such as beaches, oceans, mountains, parks, and forests. PCEPSDI, UNEP and DOT also recognized partner hotels and hotel groups, and members from the Philippine Stakeholders Advisory Group (PSTAG) for Sustainable Tourism who actively participated in TVC project activities toward the reduction of the sector’s carbon footprint. The conference gave a platform also to 176 tourism stakeholders who attended the conference to share progress on environmental sustainability, climate action, sustainability leadership, and investments in the tourism industry.



[Access the resources and recording of the event here](#)

Past Events

Sustainable Tourism in Mauritius consultative workshop, 16 November 2022



UNEP in collaboration with the UN Country Team and support from the UN Resident Coordinators' Office (UNRCO) Mauritius organised a consultative workshop on sustainable tourism. The aim of this workshop was to identify national priorities for a long-term sustainable tourism

roadmap for Mauritius based on the UN Common Country Analysis, which will in turn inform the revision of the Government of Mauritius & UN Cooperation Framework. You can watch the [recording](#) [here](#).

To learn more about the Transforming Tourism Value Chains project in Mauritius, please contact [Helena Rey](#).

Beating Single-Use Plastics in the Tourism Sector: Results from the Transforming Tourism Project, 21 October 2022, Philippines



The “Driving Innovation in the Food Value Chain to Reduce Plastic Pollution in the Tourism Sector” webinar was held on October 21, 2022 in collaboration WWF-Philippines. The webinar aimed to present the policy recommendations and guidelines to help businesses measure and report on single-use plastics items purchased and thrown away.

To learn more about the Transforming Tourism Value

Chains project in the Philippines, please contact [Andrea Go](#).

Certifications and Standards: Raising the Bar for Sustainable Tourism, 13 October 2022, Philippines



To celebrate World Ecolabel Day, PCEPSDI conducted a webinar featuring different certification schemes available to the Philippine tourism sector. PCEPSDI and the Department of Environment and Natural Resources introduced international and local activities such as the Transforming Tourism project and the [Glasgow Declaration on Climate Action in Tourism](#) that help raise the bar on sustainable tourism, and emphasizes the importance of GHG monitoring and reporting.

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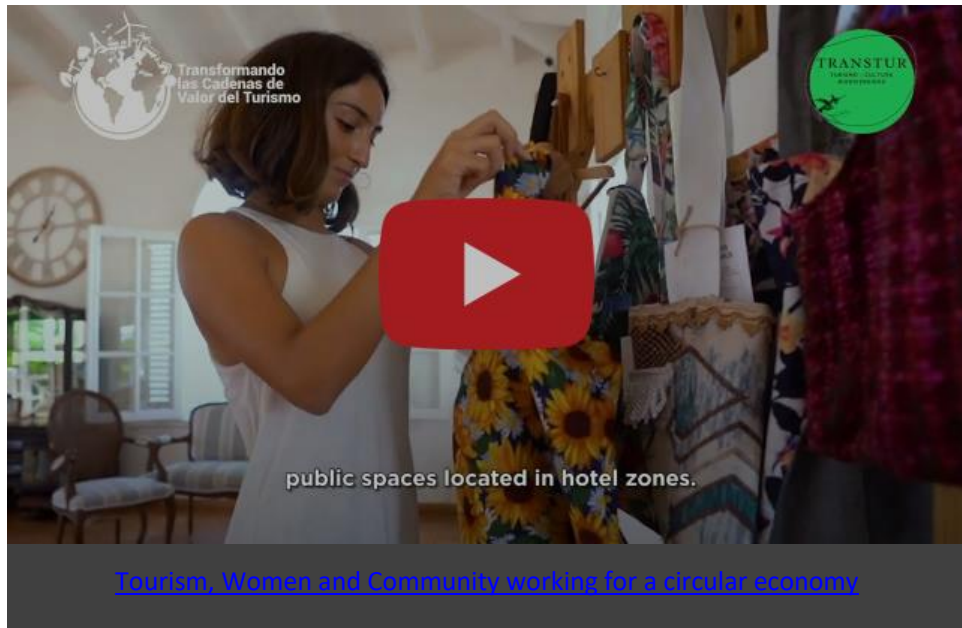
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De Recursos y Emisiones de Gases de Efecto Invernadero en el Sector Hotelero y de Conferencia

Manual para Medir y Monitorear la Eficiencia de Recursos y Emisiones de Efecto Invernadero en el Sector Hotelero y de Conferencia

UNEP

UNEP has launched the Spanish version of the "Manual to Measuring and Monitoring Resource Efficiency and Greenhouse Gas Emissions in the Hotel and Conference Sector". It aims to support tourism businesses to measure and improve the performance of their business in resource efficiency and GHG emissions. In particular, it looks at resource efficiency (e.g. waste, plastics) in the accommodation and conference sectors and gives more details on performance indicators and key areas covered by the Transforming Tourism Value Chains project's resource efficiency tool.

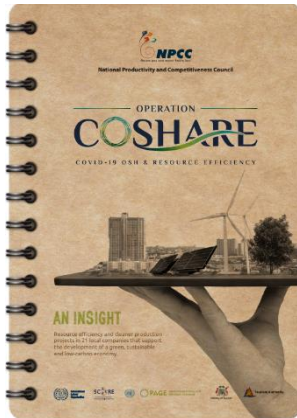
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Manual de Gastronomía Sostenible para República Dominicana
UNEP and TourCert

UNEP and TourCert have released a Manual on Sustainable Gastronomy in Spanish to support tourism businesses and entrepreneurs of food and beverages services from the Dominican Republic. The aim of this report is to promote a paradigm shift from traditional gastronomy to a more sustainable and regenerative gastronomy that promotes local food system and support the economy while ensuring the preservation of biodiversity.

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Operation Coshare case study
National Productivity and Competitiveness Council (NPCC), Mauritius

The NPCC in partnership with the Ministry of Tourism, the Tourism Authority, the ILO and the PAGE, implemented Operation COSHARE from September 2021 to June 2022. The objective of Operation COSHARE was to help position Mauritius as a safe and environmentally sustainable tourist destination. The project also incorporated a resource efficiency training and project implementation as part of the Green Economic Recovery of Mauritius to support the tourism industry to “build back better”. In the first phase, the project reached out to 1160 tourist accommodations, 860 Food & Beverages and entertainment organisations, 3310 tourist activity places. The COSHARE used the Transforming Tourism Value Chains' project tools and resources as the basis of its trainings.

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Climate Action Guide for Tourism Business and Destinations Green Initiative

The Climate Action Guide for Tourism Business and Destinations has been developed to assist tourism leaders worldwide as they strive to adopt the climate-impact management practices recommended by the Glasgow Declaration and accelerate the decarbonization of global tourism. The Guide provides a practical roadmap for tourism organizations to assess and reduce their carbon footprint. UNEP and the project team have reviewed the manual and contributed to its content

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News articles and stories

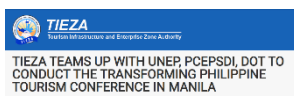


Desarrollo sostenible - Concluye conferencia internacional “Transformando el turismo - Destinos del Futuro”

Noticia Sin

This article in Spanish published by Noticia Sin showcases the key outcomes of the Transforming Tourism Destinations for the Future conference. You can read in this news story the key statements from panelists such as Mauricio Ramírez, Resident Coordinator of the United Nations and Alexis Cruz Rodríguez, Vice Minister of Economic and Social Analysis of the Ministry of Economy, Planning and Development.

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Tieza Teams Up With Unep, Pcepsdi, Dot To Conduct The Transforming Philippine Tourism

Conference In Manila

Tourism Infrastructure and Enterprise Authority (TIEZA)

This article published by the Philippines Tourism Infrastructure and Enterprise Zone Authority (TIEZA) promoted the outcomes of the Paving Sustainable Paths towards Inclusive and Climate-Resilient Destinations event.

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About the Transforming Tourism project

The UN Environment Programme and its partners with support of the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety have launched the project: "[Transforming Tourism Value Chains in developing countries and small island developing states \(SIDS\) to accelerate more resource efficient, low carbon development](#)"

The project aims to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and increase resource efficiency in [three tourism value chains](#):

- food and beverage
- accommodation
- Meetings, Incentives, Conferences and Events (MICE)

[To learn more about the project](#)



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