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

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NEW RESOURCES

New report on low-carbon choices across tourism, buildings and food systems from the Consumer information programme

The Consumer Information programme has launched a new report “Consumer Information Tools and Climate Change - Facilitating low-carbon choices in Tourism, Buildings and Food Systems.” The report details how the use of consumer information tools can support greenhouse gas emission reductions in three sectors; tourism, buildings and food. The programme also recorded a webinar in which they provide insights on how to influence consumer behaviour, how the three sectors affect global CO2 emissions and which kind of consumer information will be most effective in each sector.

Read more about the report and download the full online version as it becomes available.

International Resource Panel launches new report on mineral resource governance

Minerals and metals underpin national economies and provide inputs to almost every sector of the global economy. In this new report, the IRP explores practical actions to improve governance for mining in order to enhance its contribution towards sustainable development. The suggestions focus on how reforming the governance framework of the extractive sector can be compatible with the Sustainable Development Goals.

Read more about the new research on mineral governance and download the report in full.

Life Cycle Initiative releases two new reports on plastics

Single-use plastic bags and their alternatives

This meta-analysis study on single-use plastic bags is nearly finalised after stakeholder consultation and is now available in a pre-publication draft. A series of other studies on single-use plastic products will be published throughout the year including on take-away food packaging as well as beverage bottles.

Addressing Marine Plastics: A Systemic Approach - Recommendations for Action

Building on two previous reports developed under a Global Environment Fund project, this latest report identifies gaps to address marine plastics at each value chain stage, and recommends actions to be taken by different stakeholders to achieve a circular economy for plastics at the global level.

Read more about both of these new reports and access them here.
Sustainable Fashion? How Companies Provide Sustainability Information to Consumers

This new report explores gaps in the provision of product sustainability information to consumers when it comes to sustainable fashion and discusses how consumers can be a driving force able to shape the future of sustainable textiles. The report from the NGO HEJSupport draws on the guidance from the flagship publication of the Consumer Information programme Guidelines for Providing Product Sustainability Information, published in 2017 by the One Planet Consumer Information Programme, the UN Environment Programme and the International Trade Centre.

Download the full report on product sustainability information for fashion by HEJSupport

New online training series on resource efficiency for business

A new online training series demonstrates the big value for business that resource efficiency represents. The first two sessions discuss a general business case for resource efficiency and present a concrete resource efficiency roadmap for businesses. The final session looks at real-world examples of how small and medium businesses are becoming more resource efficient around the world.

The training series has been created by the German Corporation for International Cooperation/Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH and the German Competence Centre for Resource Efficiency (VDI ZRE), in partnership with the Green Growth Knowledge Partnership (GGKP).

Find out more about this training series and watch in full each of the sessions.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Funding opportunity for projects focusing on sustainable plastics use in BRIICS countries

The Swedish EPA has announced an opportunity for funding of development projects on sustainable plastic use and sound management of plastic waste in the BRIICS countries - Brazil, Russia, Indonesia, India, China and South Africa. Applications can be made for grants between 30,000 and 200,000 USD until March 11, 2020.

The goal of this funding effort is to: Prevent or reduce the use of plastic products and/or plastic packaging; Accelerate the transition towards a circular plastic economy, and; Prevent plastic pollution from land-based sources. The funding opportunity is aligned with the One Planet network-wide initiative on plastics and will contribute to the network’s 2020-2021 theme of plastics.

Read more about this opportunity and apply before March 11, 2020.

WE NEED YOU
Sustainable Tourism programme opens survey for consultation on strategic plan

The Sustainable Tourism programme has opened a survey to gather inputs from the network to help prioritise its working streams and working areas for 2020-2022. The programme is looking to tourism stakeholders to help identify concrete activities that should be implemented during this next phase of the programme. The survey will be followed by an online discussion with the tourism programme members to be scheduled in the coming weeks as well as by a strategic workshop.

Take part in the Sustainable Tourism programme survey

WEBINARS

Country and Cities Food Systems Strategies

The Sustainable Food Systems Programme is holding a webinar to promote discussions around the systemic approach required by country policies to effectively promote sustainable food systems, through a presentation of good practices and discussions of challenges. This webinar is part of the SFS Programme’s series on the Food Systems Approach on the Ground.

Find out more about this webinar and stay tuned for the date in April.

Food Systems Approaches and Climate Change

This webinar will discuss the interlinkages between food systems approaches and climate change mitigation and adaptation, while presenting innovative sustainable food systems solutions and interventions that can be adopted at country or city level. It is organised in the context of several upcoming events including the 3rd Global Conference of the Sustainable Food Systems Programme, the UNFCCC COP 26 meeting in Glasgow; and the UN Food Systems Summit.

Find out more about the webinar and check back for the exact date in late March.

EVENTS
Promoting Transparency and Traceability in Global Supply Chains

12 March 2020, Paris

The International Trade Centre (ITC) in collaboration with the Initiative for Compliance and Sustainability (ICS) is organising a joint event to discuss the main issues at stake in the area of compliance and sustainability, due diligence, and cross-cutting challenges for transparency in global value chains.

This interactive meeting will introduce participants to the notion of transparency and traceability in order to increase their awareness on relevant tools and methodologies for addressing due diligence challenges and for implementing such practices in their own sphere of influence.

Find out more about this free event and how to register.

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2020 Global Alliance for Building and Construction Assembly

26-27 March 2020, Berlin

The Global Alliance for Building and Construction (Global ABC) will hold its annual conference following the Berlin Energy Transition Dialogue (BETD). The featured event "Forging regional pathways towards a zero-emission, efficient and resilient buildings and construction sector: The GlobalABC Regional Roadmaps" will be the soft launch of the Global Roadmap of GlobalABC and the three Regional Roadmaps which are being finalised.

Register here for the 2020 GlobalABC Assembly.

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