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AGENDA

The tourism sector response to climate change: mitigation and adaptation initiatives and strategies

Thursday, 29 November 2012, 18:30 – 20:00 h - Qatar National Convention Centre. Doha, Qatar

Experiences from Promoting Climate Friendly Tourism in World Heritage Sites, Biosphere Reserves and Geoparks.

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United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

World Heritage Sites

The World Heritage List includes 962 properties in 157 State Parties forming part of the cultural and natural heritage which the UNESCO World Heritage Committee considers as having outstanding universal value.



Biosphere Reserves

The World Network of Biosphere Reserves includes 610 biosphere reserves in 117 countries designated under the UNESCO Man and the Biosphere (MAB) Programme.



Geoparks

90 Global Geoparks spread across 26 countries endorsed by the Bureau of the Global Network of National Geoparks with Secretariat at UNESCO.





Climate change

Tourism

Examples of Climate Friendly Tourism Initiatives in UNESCO Sites

Sierra Gorda Biosphere Reserve (Mexico)

- Verified Community REDD+ projects; ecotourism

The Great Barrier Reef World Heritage Site (Australia)

- Tourism Climate Change Action Strategy; Green reef tour operators

Sao Paulo City Green Belt Biosphere Reserve (Brazil)

- Green job training for young people; ecotourism guides

Geopark Shetland (Shetland Isl., UK)

- The annual Shetland Nature Festival; public awareness

El Hierro Biosphere Reserve (Canary Islands, Spain)

- Renewable energy

The Way Forward – Partnerships

Examples

Science and research:

Centre on Space Technologies for Natural and Cultural Heritage (Beijing, China) - Use of applied space technologies

Private sector:

Deutsche Bahn railway - Destination Nature; CO₂ free travel

Star Alliance of airlines – Biosphere Connections partnership

Airbus - Fly Your Ideas challenge, a student contest

Chic Group (China) – Agro/rural tourism; Education for Sust. Dev

Non-governmental organizations and civil society



The image shows a screenshot of the Facebook page for 'Cousteau Divers'. The cover photo features a diver in a full-body diving suit swimming alongside a large dolphin in clear blue water. The 'Cousteau Divers' logo is in the bottom right corner of the cover photo. The profile picture shows a close-up of a diver's head with a diving mask. The page name is 'Cousteau Divers' with 12,568 likes and 1,117 people talking about it. Navigation tabs include 'About', 'Photos', 'Likes', 'Cousteau', and 'Notes'. The 'About' tab is selected, showing 'Non-Profit Organisation' and the website 'www.cousteaudivers.org'. The 'Likes' tab shows a thumbs-up icon and the number '12,568'. The 'Cousteau' tab shows a portrait of Jacques-Yves Cousteau wearing a red beret. The 'Notes' tab shows a note from 'Abell 2029' dated November 1990.

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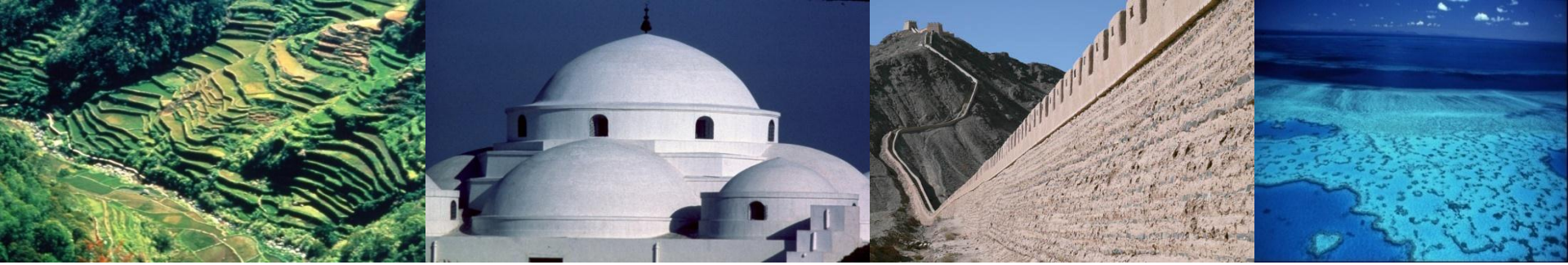
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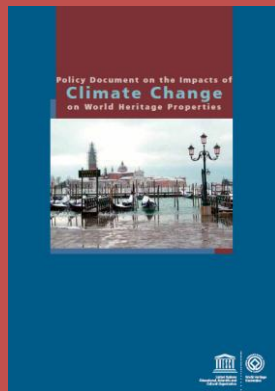
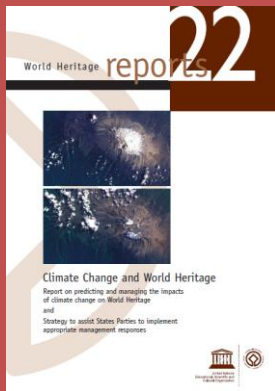
UNESCO World Heritage and Sustainable Tourism Programme



An international framework for the cooperative and coordinated achievement of shared and sustainable outcomes related to tourism at World Heritage properties

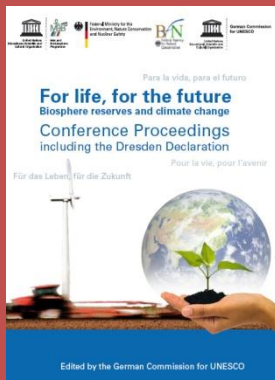


Examples further reading:



- World Heritage Reports n°22 - Climate Change and World Heritage

- Policy document on the impacts of climate change on World Heritage Properties.



2011 Conference “For life, for the future. Biosphere reserves and climate change”, Dresden 2011:

- Conference Proceedings including the Dresden Declaration;
- A collection of good practice case studies



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