### The Next S-Curve of Thai Tourism Thailand Focus 2023: The New Horizon

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# TAT Expects 25 Million Visitors in 2023

TAT also anticipated at least 5 million Chinese tourists to visit the country in 2023.



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# Tourism officials expect Thailand to welcome up to 30 million visitors in 2023

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#### TRENDING

Phuket weather, air quality and tide report

Chinese take over from Russians as Phuket's most frequent visitors

Human remains on Pha Ngan belong to murder suspect's 'partner'

A German man drowns at Karon Beach – 6 deaths in 2 weeks

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- Sustainability
- Quality





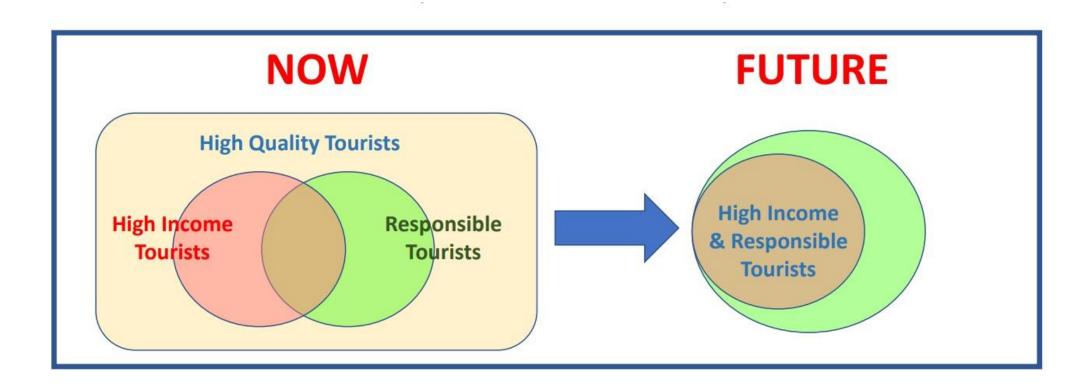
Aim for quality, not quantity

Which is better?

10,000 tourists spending \$10 a day = \$100,000 500 tourists spending \$200 a day = \$100,000

Which puts less stress on the destination?

### **High Quality Tourists**



# Sustainable

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- Globally, 90% of travellers want to see sustainable options when booking a trip.
- This trend was even stronger in the APAC region, with 95% of travellers indicating interest in sustainable travel options, as compared to other surveyed regions, including the Americas at 74% looking for sustainable travel options, and Europe at 69%.





- India and China emerge as countries showing the most interest in sustainable travel, with 98% of Indian and 96% of Chinese consumers saying they look for sustainable travel options.
- Australia and Japan also show strong interest in sustainable travel, with 72% and 56% respectively saying they look for sustainable travel options.

The APAC region is willing to pay 41% more to ensure their travel is sustainable\*





## 74% of consumers

would choose a

# destination, lodging,

# or transportation

option

that is committed to supporting the local

community and culture, even if it was

more expensive



Q22. If a travel destination, accommodation, or transportation option was more committed to supporting the local community and culture than other options, would you choose that option even if it was more expensive? https://advertising.expedia.com/blog/sustainability/sustainable-travel-study/

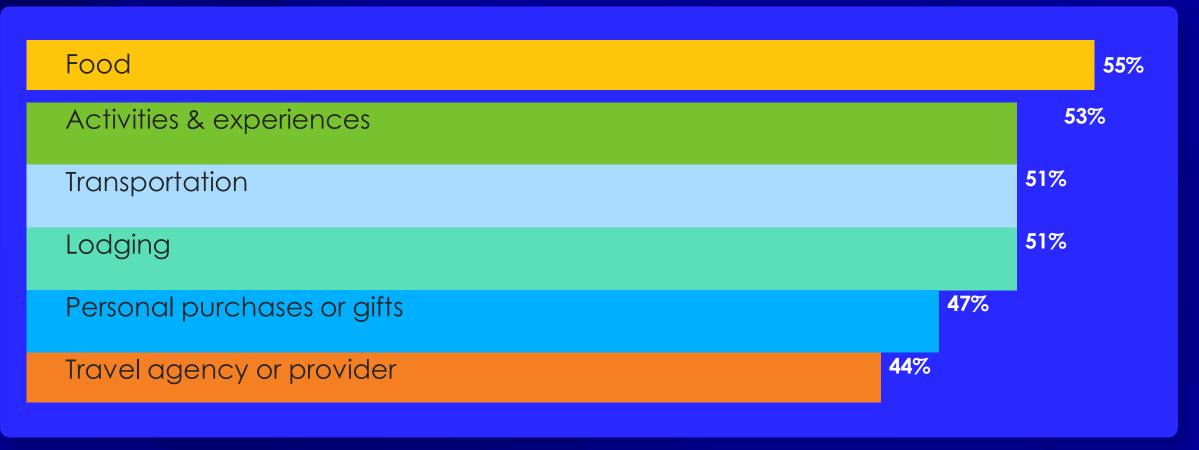


# Increasing importance of sustainable travel in Australia and Japan

- Compared to previous trips, Japanese consumers are 280% more likely to stay in accommodations or lodging that are actively lessening environmental impact and 125% more likely to use environmentally friendly transport for their next trip.
- For their future travels, Australian consumers are 74% more likely to use providers who declare a commitment to sustainable practices.
- Additionally, on their next trip, 63% of Australians plan to support local communities by buying from local stores and restaurants, rather than chains.



# Consumers are willing to **spend more on sustainable travel options** . .



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media solutions https://advertising.expedia.com/blog/sustainability/sustainable-travel-study/ Q12. Which of the following, if any, would you be willing to pay a little more for in your travels if it meant the option was more sustainable?

### Nearly 70% of consumers

# are willing to sacrifice

## convenience to be a

# more sustainable

## traveler

#### Save Our Planet

#### expedia group

Q14. Aside from cost, which of the following, if any, would you be willing to sacrifice if it meant you were being a more sustainable traveler? https://advertising.expedia.com/blog/sustainability/sustainable-travel-study/

# 2022 Confidence survey on travelers' behaviors effected by COVID-19 (by booking.com)



94% plan to make sustainable travels





91% to reduce energy use



85% seek for better options for low impact transportation



85% to experience authentically local culture



91% put conservation of cultural heritages at top priority



87% to minimize negative impacts to environment and local communities



85% believe that economic stimulus scheme through tourism will benefit all walks of life



#### **Global Ecotourism Market Insights Forecasts to 2032**

The Global Ecotourism Market Size was valued at USD 212.75 billion in 2022.

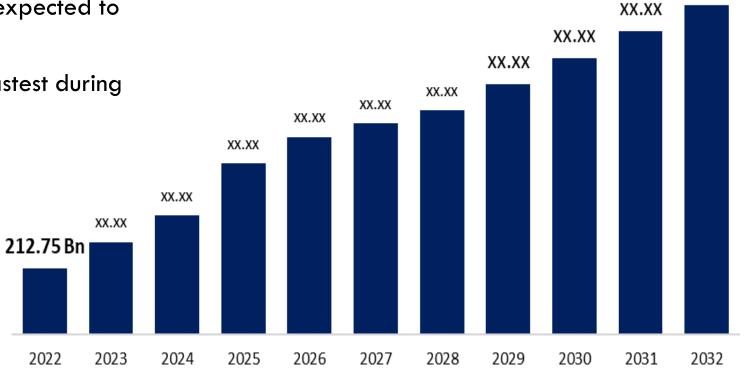
#### The market is growing at a CAGR of **14.7**% from 2023 to 2032

The Global Ecotourism Market Size is expected to reach USD 838.50 billion by 2032

Asia-Pacific is expected to grow the fastest during the forecast period

2022

### Global Ecotourism Market Size



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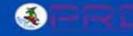
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### Thailand ranked first in ASEAN for Global Sustainability Index achievement in 2022

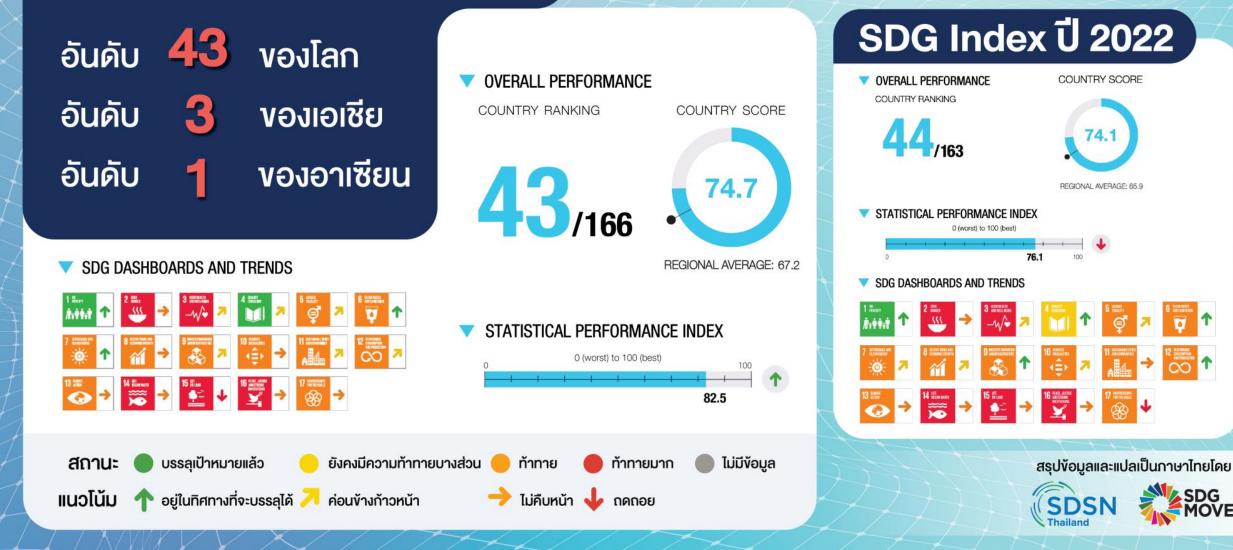




# SDG Index ปี 2023







https://www.sdgmove.com/2023/06/21/sdg-index-2023-thailand/

### SUSTAINABLE GOALS

















### Agriculture

#### **BCG-Naga Belt Road**

- Uplevel quality of life of 3,000 agriculturists in
  - 4 provinces
- Sticky rice products > 40 products

#### Thung Kula Ronghai

- Uplevel rice production of 5,197 agriculturists in 5 provinces
- Value-added rice processing 17.6 times
- Combine local identity with STI

### **Innovative Industry**

#### **Biorefinery Pilot Plant at EECi**

Modify biomass to high-valued products, eg.
Biomaterials, biological chemicals and neutraceuticals

#### BOI

 The total value of BCG investment applications amounted to 640 billion baht (from 2017 to September 2022)

#### **BCG-Finance & Green Finance**

 Values > 1,500 billion baht (2022-2067 AD)

https://www.bcg.in.th/eng/bcg-in-action/



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# in Action



Medical services accessibility increased

#### COVID-19 Vaccine

 Clinical trial phase & upscale to industrial scale

#### Genomic Thailand

- Increase efficiency in diagnosis, treatment & prescription
  - Active Pharmaceutical Ingredient (API)
- Co-investment between public

& private sector () ptt Sinnobic GO anti



#### Happy Model

Promote high quality tourism & subordinate cities

#### **Carbon Neutral Tourism**

- Develop simple net carbon calculation for entrepreneurs, Hug Earth,
  - Green Meeting

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One-stop service travel platform





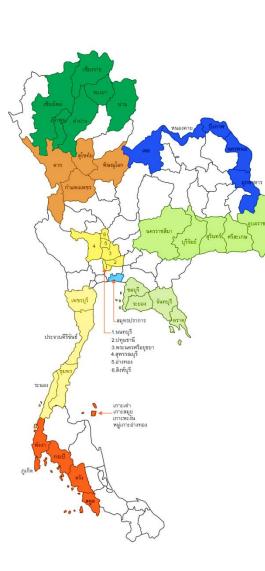








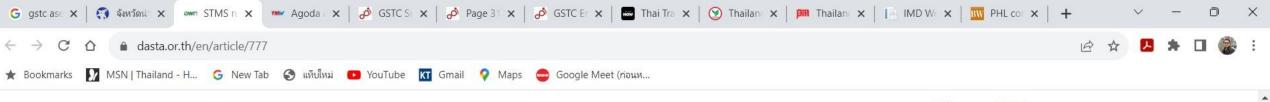
### Network of excellence in sustainable tourism



No.	Tourism Development Cluster	Amount	Institutes
	Lanna Cluster และ	1	Mae Fah Luang University
1	Designated Area of	2	Chiang Mai University
	Nan old city	3	Mae Jo University
2	Royal Coast Cluster	4	Silpakorn University (Petchaburi Campus)
3	Active Beach Cluster	5	Burapha University
	Andaman Cluster	6	Prince of Songkla University
4	and Southern	7	Walailak University
	Islands Cluster	8	Songkhla Rajabhat University
		9	Ubon Ratchathani University
5	South Eastern Cluster	10	Rajamangala University of Technology Isan (Surin Campus)
	cluster	11	Nakhon Ratchasima Rajabhat University
6	Upper Chao Phraya River Cluster and	12	National Institute of Development Administration (NIDA)
	Designated area of	13	Mahidol University
	U-thong ancient city	14	Thammasart University
	Ma Kang Diver	15	Kon Kaen University
7	Me Kong River Cluster	16	Loei Rajabhat University
		17	Mahasarakham University
	Cultural World	18	Naresuan University
8	Heritage Cluster	19	Kamphaengphet Rajabhat University

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#### STMS recognized by the GSTC Destination Criteria

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### Sustainable Tourism Management Standards fully recognized as equivalent to the GSTC Destination Criteria (GSTC-D)

Office of Tourism Capacity Development, DASTA, has successfully adjusted the standard titles "Sustainable Tourism Management Standard (STMS)" in compliance with changes introduced with the release of the GSTC Destination Criteria (GSTC-D) in December 2019 or GSTC Destination Criteria 2.0. Therefore, DASTA's STMS standard has achieved Recognition by the GSTC as the GSTC Assurance Panel has fully recognized STMS as equivalent to the GSTC Destination Criteria (GSTC-D) at its meeting of 14th September 2021. The objective of the STMS is for being used as a guideline for sustainable tourism management and the geographic coverage is Thailand.

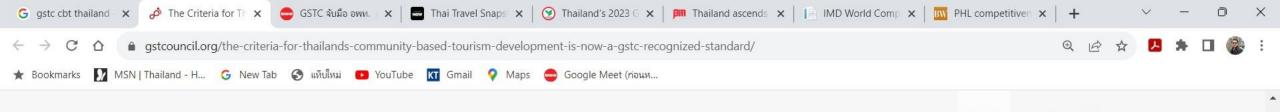
Achieving the GSTC-Recognized status means that this sustainable tourism standard has been reviewed by GSTC technical experts and the GSTC Assurance Panel and deemed equivalent to the GSTC Destination Criteria for sustainable tourism. Thought GSTC Recognition does not ensure the reliability of the process, the set of standards used to certify includes the minimum elements to ensure sustainability. The purpose of the GSTC programs is to reward genuine practitioners of sustainable tourism, which in turn builds confidence and credibility with consumers. GSTC Recognized is a designation that GSTC places on standards for sustainable travel and tourism. Having been certified by GSTC, DASTA, as the leader of sustainable tourism in Thailand, will continue its various efforts to promote and develop sustainable tourism for the better future of tourism industry in Thailand.



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### The Criteria for Thailand's Community-Based Tourism Development is now a GSTC-Recognized Standard

*July 2018* – The Global Sustainable Tourism Council (GSTC) is pleased to announce that the Criteria for Thailand's Community-Based Tourism Development, published by Designated Areas for Sustainable Tourism Administration (DASTA), has achieved the 'GSTC-Recognized Standard' status.

The Criteria for Thailand's Community-Based Tourism Development (CBT Thailand) has been used as an important tool for continuous planning, operating and evaluating outcome of community-based tourism development in Thailand. It is a baseline standard to help evaluate strength and weakness of community throughout the tourism development process, so that community and coaching units can effectively build the



capacity and fulfill community's potentials. Most importantly, it can be used as a monitoring tool to help to prevent unwanted negative change in communities when dealing with tourism needs. The criteria help to build immunity for communities to be aware of their capacity and development standpoint, so the community can strive to yield the benefits from tourism while strengthening their local resource management which is the foundation for "Sustainable Community-Based Tourism Development".

Achieving the GSTC-Recognized status means that a sustainable tourism standard has been reviewed by GSTC technical experts and the GSTC Accreditation Panel and deemed equivalent to the GSTC Criteria for sustainable tourism. Additionally, an organization that meets GSTC requirements must administer the

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# **GSTC**

#### Global Sustainable Tourism Council



### Attractions in DASTA's designated areas listed Global Sustainable Destinations Top 100, resulted from GSTC practices

Chiang Khan, Loei Province



Nai Wiang, Nan Province

Listed 2020

Listed 2020, 2021

#### Muang Kao, Sukhothai Province



#### Koh Mak, Trat Province



Listed 2021

Listed 2022



### Koh Mak Island listed among the "2022 Sustainable Top 100 Destinations"



https://www.dasta.or.th/th/article/1403



### Koh Mak by DASTA is granted G8reen Destinations Story Awards 2023 @ ITB Berlin







### BESTTOURISM VILLAGES PILOT INITIATIVE

Bo Suak Community, Nan Province declared "Upgrade Programme" under UNWTO Best Tourism Villages 2021









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The **Upgrade Programme** will benefit a number of selected villages among those that do not fully meet the label criteria. These villages will be receiving support from UNWTO and Partners in improving elements of the areas identified as gaps in the evaluation process.



### UNESCO and DASTA renew joint commitment to sustainable tourism and the safeguarding of cultural and natural heritage

28 June 2023





## UNESCO Creative Cities Network

Introduces in 2004, UNESCO has listed 295 creative cities in 90 countries.

### UNESCO CREATIVE CITIES NETWORK

### UNESCO has listed 5 creative cities in Thailand.





Phuket City of Gastronomy 2015

**Chiang Mai City of Crafts and** Folk Art 2017



Bangkok

2019





Sukhothai City of Design **City of Crafts and** Folk Art 2019

Phetchaburi City of Gastronomy 2021





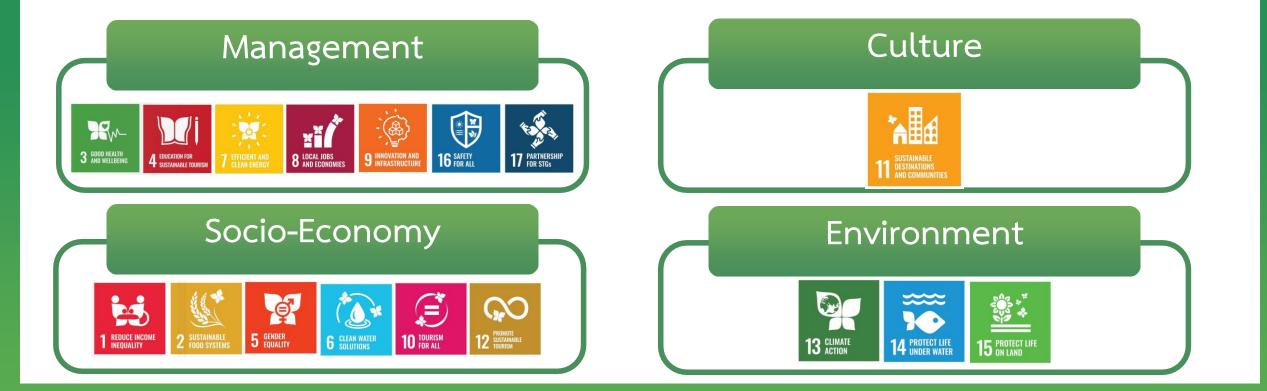




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### From Sustainable Development Goals to Sustainable Tourism Goals

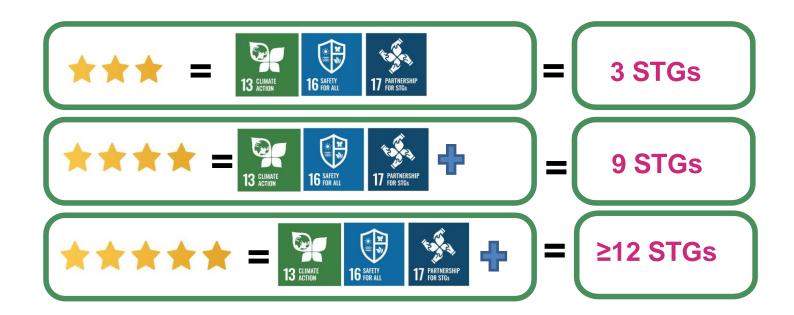




#### เกณฑ์การประเมิน STGs Easy (Sustainable Tourism Goals : STGs)



## **Stars of sustainability**



Website : www.TATstar.org Facebook : https://www.facebook.com/tatstar Line official : @tatstar



Sustainable Tourism Acceleration Rating



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Sustainable Tourism Acceleration Rating

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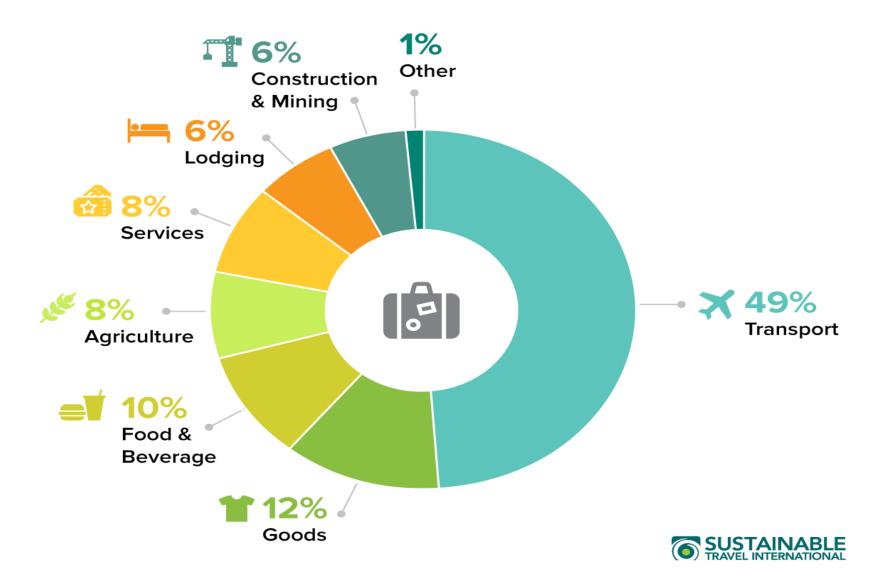
https://www.thairath.co.th/lifestyle/travel/thaitravel/2715748?gallery\_id=4

Thailand puts globally recognized sustainable tourism standards as top priority at all levels of tourism development.



### **Carbon Footprint of Global Tourism**

Tourism is responsible for roughly 8% of the world's carbon emissions.



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# " Net Zero Tourism " สู่การท่องเที่ยวอย่างยั่งยืน



A "Zero Carbon" mobile application has been launched to help tourists and tourism operators achieve net zero carbon emissions by 2027.



https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2610421/zero-carbon-tourist-app-launched





https://i.pinimg.com/originals/46/54/9f/46549f332ca011bad8f5acaee5e371a4.png

# The next S-Curve of Tourism is "sustainable tourism management".

