



# Status Quo of Climate Change Adaptation in the Tourism Sector in Thailand

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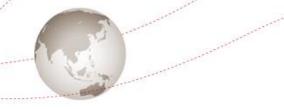


## Needs assessment on climate change adaptation in the tourism sector

Objective: The Status Quo of Adaption in the Tourism Sector in Thailand is assessed and recommendations for adaptation mainstreaming are elaborated

Findings and recommendations:

- 1. Policy Implementation
- 2. Research Gaps and Data availability
- 3. Funding and Financing
- 4. Capacity needs
- 5. Institutions and cooperation





#### **Policy implementation**



- Fill in **policy gaps** while further integrating policies
- Integrate climate risk factors in licensing criteria and improve inspection processes
- Place sustainable tourism that integrates adaptation topics within policy frameworks





#### **Adressing Research Gaps and Data availability**



- Establish communication and flow of data between science community and tourism sector
- Make data understandable/usable for practitioners
- Develop a research agenda to support evidencedbased decision-making
- Monitor and evaluate CC impacts and current and future adaptation activities





### **Funding and Financing**



- Employ financial mechanisms for CCA and establish financing instruments in the sector
- Implement economic incentives to encourage adaptation strategies
- Consider climate change in credit risk and project finance assessments





#### **Capacity building**



- Build capacity of government and tourism organisations at national, regional and destination level
- Train the trainers on all stakeholder levels
- Use existing structures for capacity building
- Build up awareness campaigns and resources that support behavioural change





#### Institutions and cooperation



- Strengthen institutions and their mandate
- Enhance inter-departmental and trans-disciplinary cooperation
- Foster and institutionalize cooperation between private and public sector
- Install effective control systems to ensure that policies are implemented and monitored

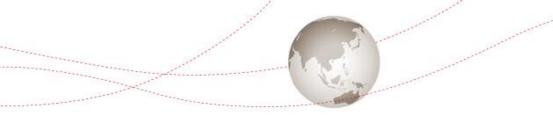




#### **Innovation strategies**



- Adaptation is also the ability to innovate and attract new markets
- Private sector is key in innovation of tourism products and services
- Innovation will bring potential returns and contribute to the resilience of destinations





#### Thank you

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