

Green Destinations declares a Climate Emergency

Our commitment to Sustainable Tourism led us to become a founding organisation of the Future of Tourism Coalition. Together with the other members of this movement we share the same global mission: *to place destination needs at the center of tourism's new future.*

As part of our efforts to create awareness about reducing climate impacts in the tourism sector and to follow accepted scientific consensus on needed reductions in greenhouse gas emissions, Stichting Green Destinations has signed up to [Tourism Declares](#). This initiative supports tourism businesses, organisations and individuals in declaring a climate emergency and taking purposeful action to reduce their carbon emissions as per the advice from The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) to cut global carbon emissions to 55% below 2017 levels by 2030.

Like all signatories, we have committed to the following five actions:

1. Develop a 'Climate Emergency Plan' within the next 12 months, which sets out our intentions to reduce carbon emissions over the next decade.
2. Share an initial public declaration of our 'Climate Emergency Plan', and update on progress each year.
3. Accept current IPCC advice stating the need to cut global carbon emissions to 55% below 2017 levels by 2030 in order to keep the planet within 1.5 degrees of warming. We'll ensure our 'Climate

Emergency Plan' represents actions designed to achieve this as a minimum, through delivering transparent, measurable and increasing reductions in the total carbon emissions per customer arising from our operations and the travel services sold by us.

4. Encourage our suppliers and partners to make the same declaration; sharing best practice amongst peers; and actively participate in the Tourism Declares community

5. Advocate for change. We recognise the need for system change across the industry to accelerate a just transition towards carbon-free tourism.

On behalf of the Stichting Green Destinations,

Albert Salman,

President and founder

Leiden, the Netherlands, 22 January 2021

This declaration will be communicated with www.tourismdeclares.com, and posted on our website www.greendestinations.org and social media and to @tourismdeclares on Twitter, Facebook or LinkedIn