









What is "Sustainability"

Sustainability means taking into consideration the environmental, economic and social aspects of our actions, as well as recognizing the inter-relationships between these aspects.

It includes protecting our environment and preserving natural habitats and biodiversity, but it is also about promoting a healthy and engaged society

and thriving economy.





Source: Green Meeting Industry Council (GMIC)

Sustainable Events

A sustainable event is an event designed, organized and implemented in a way that minimizes potential negative impacts and leaves a beneficial legacy for host community and all involved.

(source: Thailand Sustainable Events Guide, 2015 and United Nations' Sustainable Events Guide 2012)





Benefit of Sustainable Events

Economic

- Resource and financial savings (e.g. energy, water, etc.)
- Develop opportunities for revenue and funding
- Enhance branding, marketing and communications

Social

- Job creation
- Improve quality of life for local
- Support well-being of local residents from allocation of resources

Environment

- Preserve ecological integrity of destinations
- Emphasizes value and conservation of natural and cultural resources





Sustainability Practice Samples







- Chose a location compatible with your demographic If you have an invitation list.
- Reduce travel and pollution while making the trip more convenient for your guests.



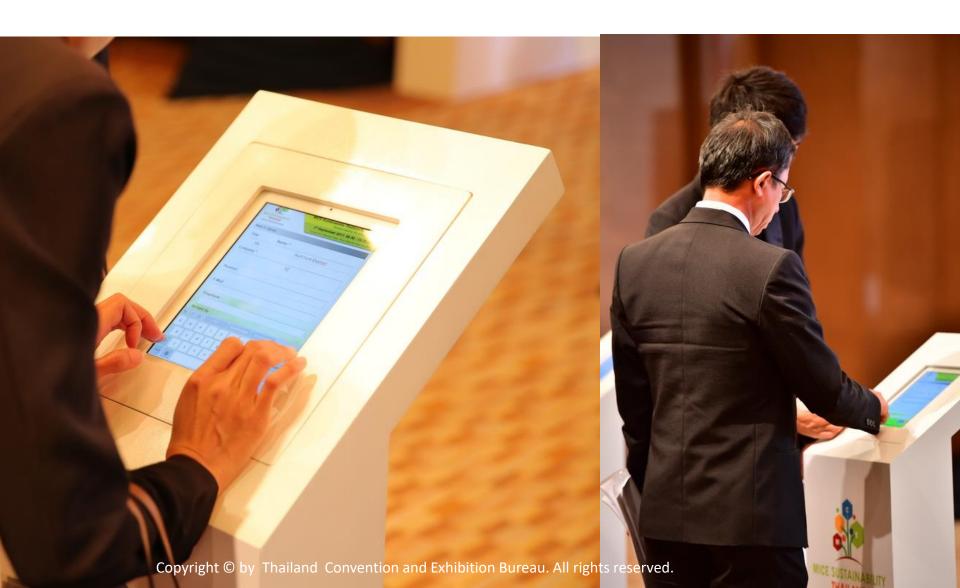




- Implement green transportation.
- Use hybrid shuttles
- Create maps (within your mobile app) helping attendees navigate through public transportation options.

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Real E-Registration / paperless registration system







Use a mobile app Dramatically reduce your printing fees and make your attendee's lives easier with a mobile app. Virtual content is the way to go!











Consider using reused or reusable material for your booth construction and decorative items.







- Develop a recycling plan
- Offer recycling points, signage and volunteers to help promote your initiative.
- Include BADGE recycle box



- Consider using cloth napkins
- no table cloth
- use glasses instead of disposable cups, as well as flatware and silverware.







Create a beverage station Move away from wasteful water bottles and work with F&B to have strategically placed beverage stations throughout the exhibit location.

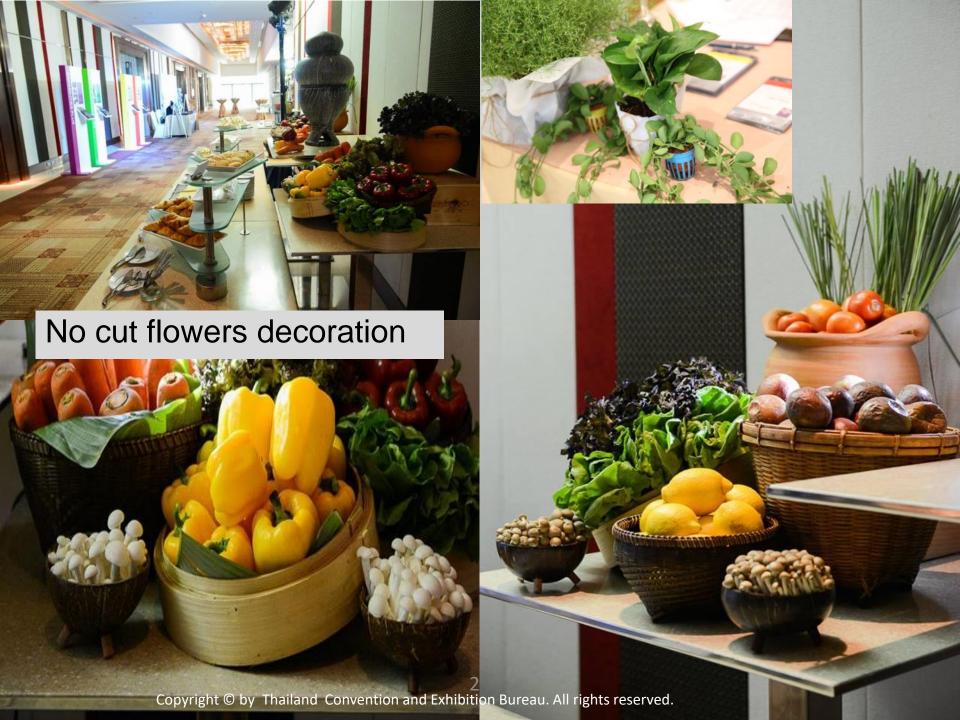


















Create green menu
Use local & seasonal items and breweries











Involve <u>local community or NGOs</u> to create business/knowledge opportunity



Donate <u>surplus food</u> to those in need.



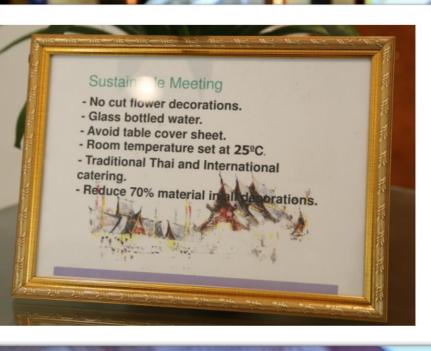


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Applying "Carbon Neutral Event"

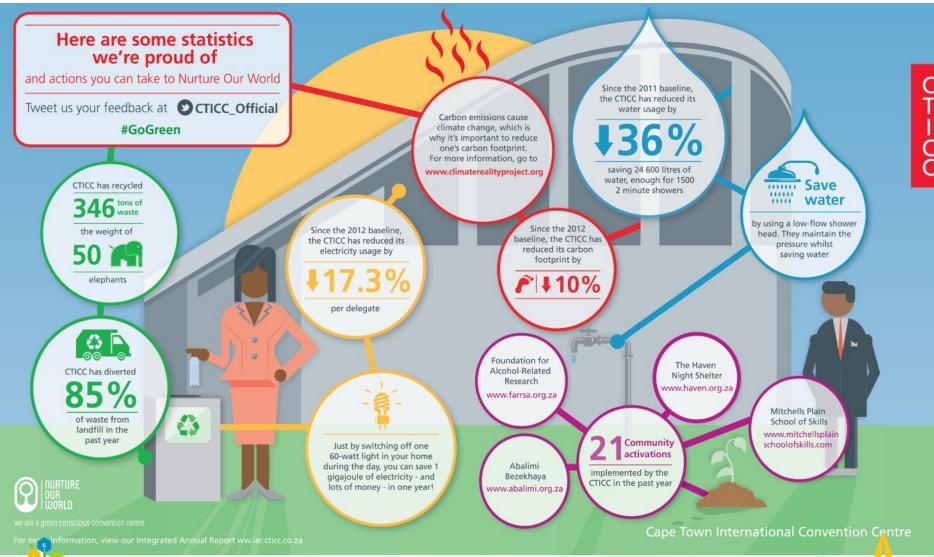








Sustainability Report







Always promote your sustainability initiative!

- Sustainability page on event's website.
- Write a press release and contact local papers and news stations. Spread the word and bring more attention to your event for a low cost.
- Create sustainable tips of the day emails for attendees
- Keep reminding your attendees about how sustainable your event is during every activities that the sustainability initiatives are applied.

**Use email, as a means of communication and move away from print (which defeats the purpose), to keep everyone involved.

Sell your Sustainability

- Always put sustainability your initiatives in your proposal
- Create "sustainable meeting/event package" for sell
- Submit the event/service sustainability to your clients after the service end.







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