

**Tourism and Climate Action Watch Party
Discussion Questions**

Watch Party Link - <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81934498791>

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Suggested intro.: After watching the [Tourism and Climate Action presentation](#), we are now going to have an open and exploratory conversation about our reaction to the content we just watched, reflection of where our organization/community/region fits into the climate action conversation, and potentially generate some new ideas in this space.

In this conversation, we are a group of friends, colleagues, and community members looking at a topic together. Nobody is required to be a climate activist, technology expert or scientist to join. Local solutions to global problems require a diverse set of perspectives and we are fortunate to have that here in our community.

Let's react to the Tourism and Climate Action Presentation:

1. What was one of your key takeaways from the Tourism and Climate Action presentation?
2. Do you feel your business or destination is seeing impacts from a changing climate? Why or why not?
3. How frequently do your customers, coworkers, leadership team or community discuss the impacts of a changing climate and tourism? Why do you think that is?
4. Are you aware of front-running climate action initiatives in your region or community?
5. Do you consider yourself, your organization and/or your community to be 'sustainability minded'. Why? Why not?

Let's reflect on where we (as organization leaders, community members, the tourism industry) fit into the climate action conversation:

There are two buzz terms in the tourism industry that have been increasingly prevalent: sustainable travel and regenerative travel. In general, sustainable travel focuses on minimizing the negative impacts of tourism while regenerative travel addresses and repairs the harm of tourism impacts.

6. With those general distinctions in mind, do you consider your business/community/region's strategy to lean more towards 'sustainable travel' or 'regenerative travel'. Why or why not?
7. If sustainable or regenerative travel is a conversation in your organization, community or region, is climate change and climate action a part of those conversations? Why do you think that is?
8. Who would you consider to be the advocates of climate action in your community? Who do you think should or could also be an advocate?

Let's focus on the 'action' in climate action:

9. Do you think your organization has a role to play in either climate mitigation or climate adaptation? What would your organization need to engage in climate action?
10. Would you rather work on climate action on an individual scale or on a community scale with fellow organizations, businesses, and community leaders? Why or why not? What could that look like?

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