GSTC Sustainable Tourism Course

Antalya, Türkiye, May 8-9, 2023

DAY 1: May 8, 2023			
8:30 - 9:00	On-site Registration		
9:00 – 10:30	 Morning Session 1: Sustainable Tourism Overview: the definition and principles of sustainable tourism; issues, current trends, business case for sustainability. Introduction to the GSTC and GSTC Criteria: an introduction to the GSTC Criteria; the GSTC's roles in the global tourism industry. 	Learning Goals: Understand the roles of the GSTC and the GSTC Criteria. Learn about and discuss relevant sustainability issues and tourism trends.	
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee Break		
11:00 – 12:30	 Morning Session 2: GSTC Criteria Section A: best practices in sustainable tourism management approaches. GSTC Destination Criteria (A. Sustainability Management) 	Learning Goals: Become familiar with sustainability managementprinciples and discuss best practices.	
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch Break		
13:30 – 15:00	Afternoon Session 1: GSTC Industry Criteria (A. Sustainable Management System)	Learning Goals: Become familiar with sustainability management principles and discuss best practices of hotels and tour operators.	
15:00 – 15:30	Coffee Break		
15:30 – 16:30	Afternoon Session 2: GSTC Industry Criteria (B. Socio-economic Sustainability)	Learning Goals: Understand issues and challenges related to the socioeconomic impacts of hotels and tour operators. Learn about sustainability practices that effectively address the socioeconomic impacts of hotels and tour operators.	
16:30 – 17:00	Day 1 summary and wrap-up		
	Day 2: May 9, 2023		
9:00 – 9:30	Day 1 Re-capDay 2 Introduction		
9:30 – 10:30	Morning Session 1: GSTC Destination Criteria (B. Socio-economic Sustainability)	Learning Goals: Understand issues and challenges related to the socioeconomic impacts of tourism. Learn about sustainability practices that effectively address the socioeconomic impacts of tourism.	

10:30 - 11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00 – 12:30	Morning Session 2: GSTC Destination Criteria (C. Cultural Sustainability)	Learning Goals: Understand issues and challenges related to the impact of tourism on local cultural heritage. Learn about best practices on reducing negative impacts of tourism activities on local cultural heritage.
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch Break	
13:30 – 14:00	Afternoon Session 1: GSTC Industry Criteria (C. Cultural Heritage Benefits and Impacts)	Learning Goals: Learn about best practices on reducing footprint and positively contributing to conservation.
14:00 - 14:30	Afternoon Session 3: Guest speech	Learning Goals: Learn the best practices
14:30 – 14:45	Coffee Break	
14:45 – 16:30	Afternoon Session 2: GSTC Industry Criteria (D. Environmental Benefits and Impacts) GSTC Destination Criteria (D. Environmental Sustainability)	Learning Goals: Understand issues and challenges related to theimpact of business on the local environment. Learn about best practices on how a hotel business reducing negative impacts in terms of environmental sustainability.
16:30 - 17:00	Day 2 summaryTraining wrap-up: looking back and moving forward	