

Grants Projects in Central Asia

GRANTS PROGRAMME

SWITCH-Asia Grants Programme funds pilot projects helping companies adopt cleaner technologies and more sustainable industrial practices, as well as helping consumers to act more responsibly in their daily choices and lifestyles.

Since 2007, this programme has funded ca. 130 projects, of which 23 new ones active as of 2020. Projects span across a wide range of sectors and are implemented by over 400 Asian, Central Asian and European partners, about 100 private sector associates, indirectly benefitting up to 70.000 micro, small and medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs).

The evidence provided by projects is meant to feed into policy and regulatory discussions with national governments in their transition towards a low-carbon and resource-efficient economy through the improvement of national strategies and action plans with regard to sustainable production and consumption practices.

AGRI-FOOD





UZBEKISTAN / TAJIKISTAN

REAP - Resource Efficiency in Agri-food Production and Processing

















TEXTILE AND LEATHER





TAJIKISTAN / UZBEKISTAN

RUTSIS - Reviving Uzbekistan and Tajikistan's sustainable Ikat and Silk

Contributes to the revival and and promotion of silk and ikat production through integrated value chain services, sustainability practices, design and awareness raising.



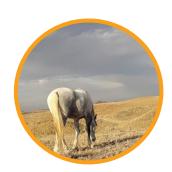














Implementation of SCP practices and sustainability schemes in the MSMEs of the Tourism Sector in Kazakhstan



Contributes to the progressive transformation in Kazakhstan towards a green economy by enhancing the sustainability and competitiveness of the tourism sector.

















KYRGYZSTAN

GREENTOUR - Replicating tourism industry sustainability best practices into the Kyrgyzstan and wider Central Asian tourism supply chain through an integrated business led approach



Supports the Kyrgyz tourism sector to implement supply chain methodologies driving MSMEs towards adaptation and replication of SCP practices and greener products, creating competitive advantages. The project also aims to promote sustainable tourism in local communities and raise consumer awareness on sustainable tourism in Kyrgyzstan.















KYRGYZSTAN

PERETO - Promotion of energy security and sustainable growth through increased energy and resource efficiency in tourism SMEs in Kyrgyzstan

Fosters the adoption of sustainable consumption and production (SCP) and energy and resource efficiency (ERE) measures through a systemic approach targeting the market ecosystem - policy, finance, linkage of different market participants, consumer awareness, and formal education.





















UZBEKISTAN / TAJIKISTAN / KAZAKHSTAN

A model for sustainable tourism in Central Asia: Building Capacities, **Creating Awareness, Introducing Technology**



Promotes a new and well-structured model for sustainable tourism in Uzbekistan, Tajikistan and Kazakhstan that can contribute to preserving and strengthening local culture, heritage and traditions, while also protecting the natural environment. This will be achieved through the provision of a life cycle and supply chain management approach to sustainability interventions in tourism.













KYRGYZSTAN / UZBEKISTAN / TAJIKISTAN

Promoting Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy production in the Community Based Tourism Sector in Central Asia



















