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Introduction to the ILO Green Jobs Programme in Asia-Pacific

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1. Introduction – Green Jobs Initiative

- **The Green Jobs Initiative is a partnership established in 2007 between:**
 - **United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)**
 - **International Labour Organization (ILO)**
 - **International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)**
 - **International Organization of Employers (IOE)**
- **Role of ILO: enhancing social and decent work dimension of future agreements on climate change and other environmental issues**





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2. Green Jobs Initiative agenda

1. To promote awareness and dialogue of the linkages between development, environmental challenges, and employment
2. To facilitate a “just transition” that reflects the environmental, economic and social pillars of sustainable development
3. To identify and respond to knowledge and data gaps on the opportunities presented by a low-carbon emissions economy





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2. Green Jobs Initiative agenda

4. To promote policies and measures to achieve green jobs and green workplace
5. To catalyze employment and poverty alleviation within climate mitigation and adaptation programmes
6. To strengthen collaboration between UNEP/ILO/IEO/ITUC, within the UN system and with the international business community.





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- **Tools include**
 - **Integrated package of global studies, guidelines, country-level assessment tools and policy instruments**
 - **Policy assistance for Green Job creation**
 - **Knowledge Management and Capacity building**
 - **Technical cooperation and partnerships**
 - **Greening of ILO products**





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- **The ILO Green Jobs Programme currently concentrates on six priorities:**
 1. **Analysis of the employment and labour market dimensions**
 2. **Practical approaches to greening enterprises**
 3. **Green jobs in waste management and recycling**
 4. **Renewable energy and energy efficiency**
 5. **A just transition towards a green economy and a sustainable society**
 6. **Adaptation to climate change**





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Country level support from ILO GJ Programme

- Bangladesh
- Cambodia
- China
- Malaysia
- India
- (PNG, Mongolia in the future)
- Indonesia
- Fiji
- Philippines
- Sri Lanka
- Thailand

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- **Research/information sharing**
 - **Guidelines for the mapping of Green Jobs at country level for Asia & Pacific and assessing employment-environment-economy related linkages**
 - **Studies on skills for green jobs**
 - **Training of ILO constituents**
 - **Shanghai Expo Green Jobs event**
 - **Regional Green Jobs Community of Practice (online community)**





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- **Policy support**
 - Greening employment policy (China, Philippines, Indonesia)
 - Greening Decent Work Country Programmes
- **Social dialogue**
 - Enhancing mechanisms of social dialogue on employment-environment issues
 - India Multi-stakeholder Taskforce on Green Jobs
 - Malaysia – Joint Secretary for the Working Group on Human Development under the Green Technology Council (Ministry of Energy, Green Technology and Water and Ministry of Human Resource)
 - Philippines and Thailand social dialogue on greening workplace supply chains



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- **Demonstration activities**
 - **Greening the dairy cluster in Madhya Pradesh, linked to national level policy discussions through MOLE and ILO sponsored multi-stakeholder taskforce**
 - **Linking microfinancing, green technology and livelihood opportunities (eg. Grameen Shakti and ILO, Bangladesh)**
 - **Green entrepreneurship (China)**
 - **Green social housing (Philippines)**
 - **Waste management (Sri Lanka)**
 - **Sustainable Tourism (Indonesia)**



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Greener Business Asia Project

- **Objective:** to increase capacity of national institutions and promote a model of worker-employer cooperation that supports greener workplaces and sustainable enterprises
- **Countries:** Thailand and Philippines
- **Duration:** 2 Years (2010-2012)





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Greener Business Asia Project (Thailand) – Core Principles

- **Worker-employer cooperation**
- **Win, win, win: triple bottom line**
- **Environmental focus:**
 - **Env. Protection (air, water, waste)**
 - **Resource efficiency**
- **Sectoral focus: Hotels**

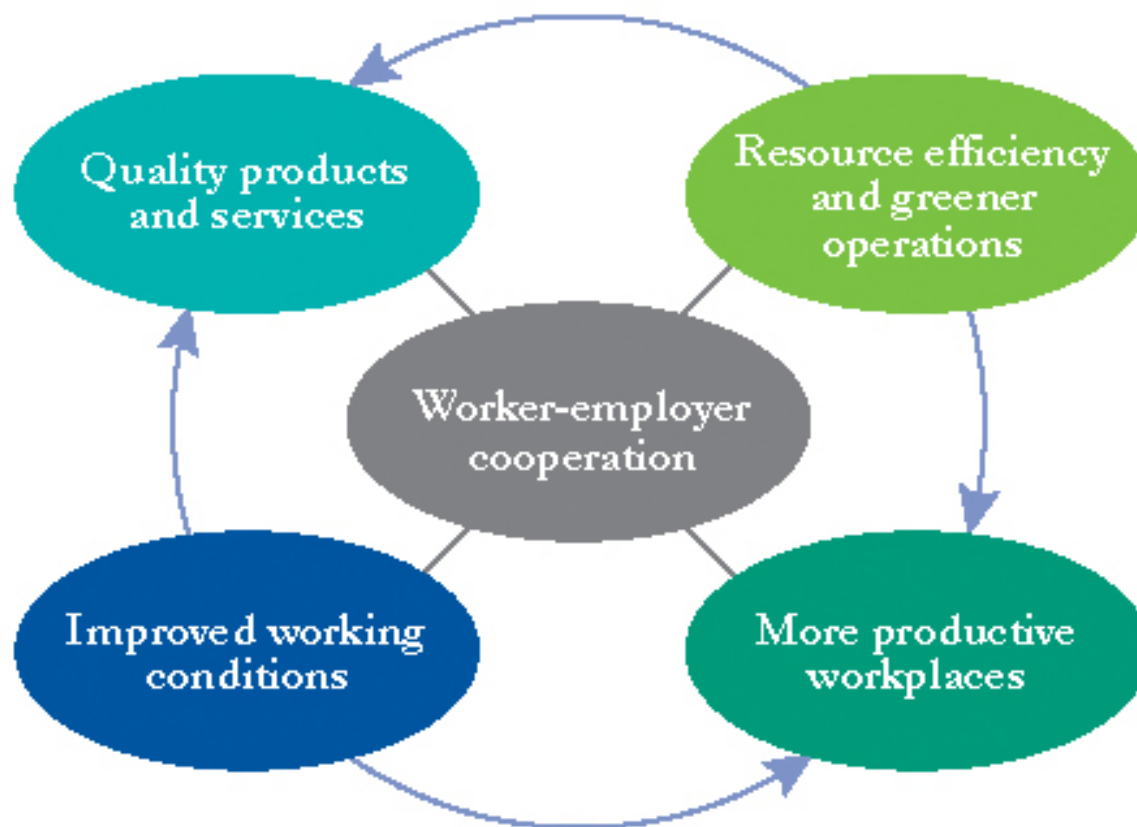




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- **Key leverage points for entry into the hotel sector:**

- **Strong links of the sector with environmental resources**

- **Green drivers**



- **Consumer demand – state of the local environment + concerns over sustainability principles affect purchasing decisions**

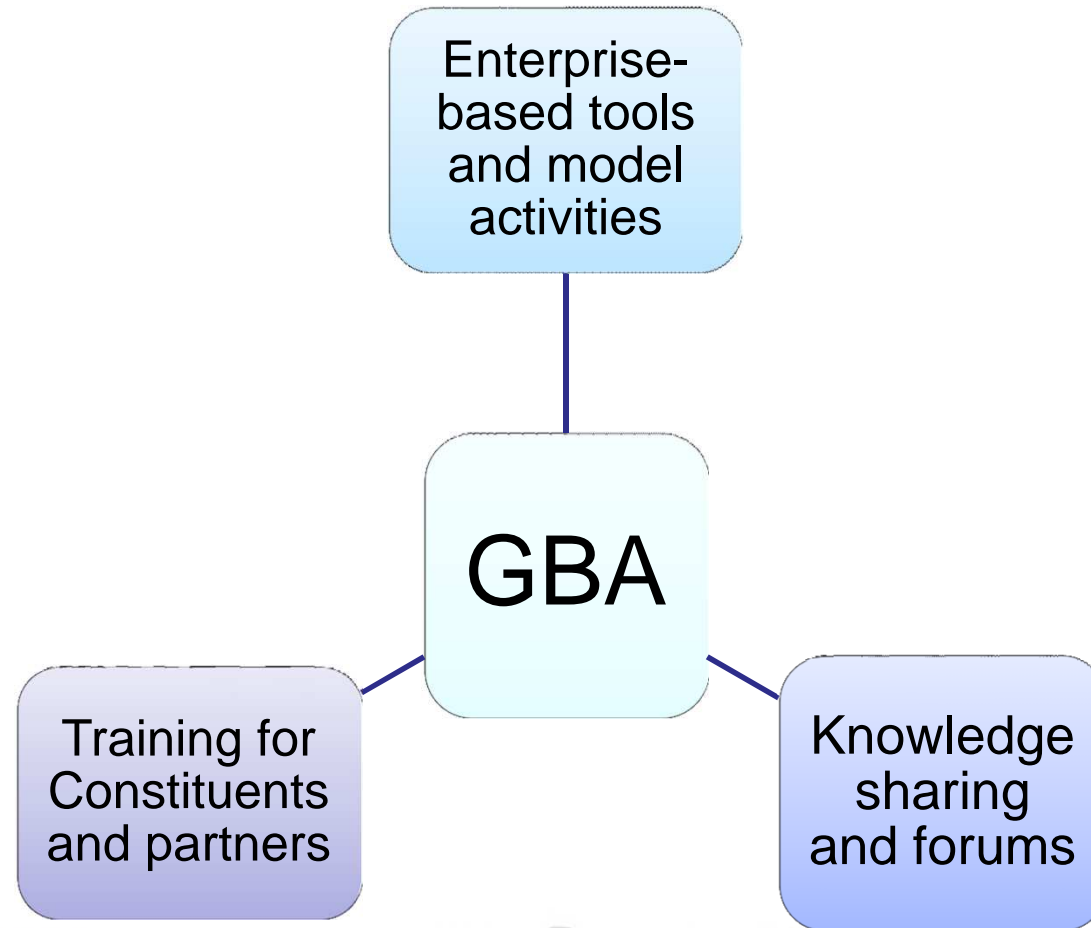


- **Cost savings for businesses through higher resource efficiency**



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Green Jobs in Asia Program

- **Objective:** To deepen ILO constituents understanding and commitments for the promotion of gender sensitive green jobs opportunities and a just transition for workers and employers towards a low-carbon, climate resilient, environmentally friendly development
- **Target Countries:** Bangladesh, Indonesia, Nepal, Philippines and Sri Lanka
- **Duration:** 2 years (September 2010 – June 2012)
- **Donor Agency:** Government of Australia



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Green Jobs through Green Works

- The guide ‘Local investments for climate change adaptation’ offers practical solutions for helping to build local-level resilience to climate change by
- Providing a support for the identification, design and implementation of local infrastructure development interventions which support climate adaptation, while creating employment opportunities





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- **Under development**
 - Energy for All
 - REDD+
 - Youth apprenticeship programme for Green Jobs
- **Increasing interest and demands for action in the region...**



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