

COALITION OF FRAGILE ECOSYSTEMS (CoFE)



ABOUT

The **Coalition of Fragile Ecosystems (CoFE)** advocates globally for the protection of mountain and island ecosystems and the resilience of their populations.

Founded in 2017 by the *Global Island Partnership* (GLISPA) and the *Mountain Partnership* (MP), CoFE is a mechanism intended to speed up progress on the achievement of the 2030 Agenda in fragile ecosystems by raising global attention and prompting tangible commitments and activities.

This alliance is made up of partnerships represented in over 100 countries and include more than 60 governments and 330 major groups as partners.

CoFE welcomes committed partners and sponsors who support the fragile ecosystems of the world and their sustainable development.

HOW

Sustainable food & tourism as a pathway for the conservation and use of fragile ecosystems:

By 2030, CoFE aims to create an international network of fragile ecosystems' tourism destinations where sustainable food systems become drivers for sustainable tourism and both contribute to improving the livelihoods of the local communities through:

- job creation
- inclusive social integration
- protection of natural and cultural heritage
- biodiversity conservation

WHY JOIN

Mountains and islands share common features that make them valuable to the global community:

- high rates of biodiversity
- important tourism destinations
- high quality traditional products, from food to textiles
- diverse cultural values

30% of earth's surface area is made up of mountains & islands

23% of earth's population lives in mountains or on islands

25% of earth's terrestrial biodiversity is in mountains

50% of earth's marine biodiversity is found near islands

Mountains host 15-20% of the world's tourism

In half the SIDS tourism accounts for over 40% of all export value

COFE: AN ALLIANCE FOR THE FUTURE

WORKING WITH

Small-holder farmers, cooperatives, businesses, tour operators and institutions promoting sustainable tourism focusing on preserving biodiversity, agrobiodiversity, cultural heritage and local gastronomy. Mountains and islands are also among the most vulnerable ecosystems to external factors such as climate change, natural disasters and human activities, such as agriculture and tourism.

It is crucial to safeguard fragile ecosystems in order to protect our planet. Join us in the global movement to show that mountains and islands are among the most valuable, yet most vulnerable areas of our planet.

Together we can save the future of these ecosystems and their communities – from peak to shore.

#FromPeakToShore

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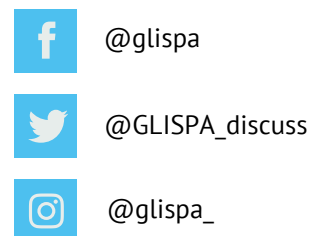
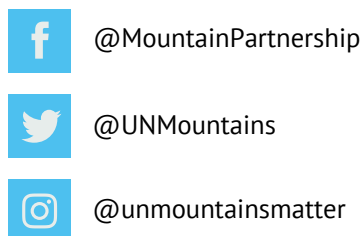


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