

Moderation Policy

PATA's goal is for this database to become the go-to resource for sustainable and responsible tourism knowledge and good-practice sharing. We aim for this platform to be a user-friendly tool that will be populated with information and content sourced from members, industry experts and practitioners, and the PATA network.

We value your contribution, and thank you for your feedback as this project continues to evolve!

By using this online tool, you acknowledge that the nature of the sustain.pata.org site is such that submissions may be uploaded on the website as is. PATA is not able to protect nor are we responsible for protecting your moral rights (meaning the right of integrity of authorship, the right of attribution of authorship, and the right not to have authorship falsely attributed).

In posting any material to the sustain.pata.org site, you irrevocably and unconditionally consent, in relation to those works, to not being attributed as author of the works and you will not make any claim in respect of any infringement or contravention of your moral rights arising from, or in connection with, the use, treatment, alteration, attribution of, or dealing with, the works.

While submissions will be uploaded upon completion and review of the [Knowledge Sharing Submission Form](#), you may be contacted for further information or clarification. PATA reserves the right to remove any submissions that infringe upon the [Terms & Conditions](#) and this moderation policy.

PATA reserves the right to make any minor grammatical adjustments that we believe are in the best interests of the submission.

The following outlines the Pacific Asia Travel Association (PATA)'s moderation policy for the submission of good practice through the URL, sustain.pata.org, and should be read in conjunction with the [Terms & Conditions](#).

Summary: When using sustain.pata.org, you must conduct yourself in a way that is fair, appropriate, lawful, and not harmful to others.

Your obligations

When using or participating in sustain.pata.org, you must comply with the conditions below.

1. You must not:

- A. post any content or engage in any conduct that:
 - i. infringes or violates any laws or regulations;
 - ii. infringes or violates another party's rights, including privacy rights and intellectual property rights such as copyright, trade marks or confidentiality;
 - iii. is false, misleading or deceptive;
 - iv. is defamatory, threatening, abusive, obscene, racist, discriminatory, offensive or indecent;

- v. imposes an unreasonable load on sustain.pata.org infrastructure or interferes with the proper working of the site;
 - vi. is not relevant to the subject matter of the website;
- B. post personal information of any other person without their express consent;
- C. distribute spam, chain letters, pyramid schemes, viruses or any other technologies;
- D. use any tags, codes, cookies or other data tracking devices to collect content for any purpose without written consent; or
- E. harvest or otherwise collect information about others, including email addresses, without their consent.
2. By posting any content on the sustain.pata.org site, you represent that you are posting what you know to be truthful, positive information, and is not defamatory, slanderous, or libelous in any way, shape, or form.
4. By posting any content on the sustain.pata.org site, you acknowledge that any content, such as copy, photographs, or other images, may be shared in the public domain.
5. Posting comments and content that repeatedly violate the moderation policy may result in your account being banned from the page.
- A. Postings categorized under the following will be removed:
 - i. Abusive, off-topic, or contain profanity or foul language
 - ii. Includes ad hominem attacks against public or private figures, and PATA members and staff
 - iii. Contains disparaging remarks or threats against countries, ethnicities or other groups of people
 - iv. Contains racist, sexist, or homophobic language or other slurs.
 - v. Advertise and/or solicit links for personal blogs and websites
 - vi. Spam
 - vii. The same good practice from the same organization being posted repeatedly
 - B. For more information, please view the PATA Sustainability Statement
 - C. If you find comments that may violate the moderation policy, you may report it to the moderators by clicking the 'X' in the top right of the comment box and clicking 'Report as Abuse.'
6. You acknowledge that any PATA personnel who can control access to the site may (but are not obliged to):
- A. block any person, including you, from accessing or posting or otherwise participating in the sustain.pata.org site; and
 - B. delete or edit any content posted, if this Policy is breached or otherwise at their discretion, without providing reasons or entering into any correspondence.
