**Report framework of the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) and the International Labor Organization (ILO) alliance in the Dominican Republic.**

Project: "Inclusive, sustainable and resilient socioeconomic recovery of the tourism value chain in the Dominican Republic"

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**Brief Description**

This initiative aims to support the development of policy and methodological inputs for promoting a sustainable, and innovative recovery strategy to reactivate, transform and enhance the resilience of the tourism sector in the Dominican Republic. It entails the development of frameworks and dialogues between Government (at different levels), the private sector, local MSMEs, Community-Based Organizations, NGOs, and other UN Agencies for improving the tourism sector's value chain and promoting better inclusion and sustainability practices. The implementation strategy will set the ground for developing a dynamic, greener, and gender inclusive tourism industry.

The proposal focuses on three main components, based on previous and current experiences put forward by UNDP and ILO:

* Policy framework development.
* Rapid market system/value chain mapping for the future of work in the tourism sector.
* Women’s empowerment and participation in the tourism industry.

And will deliver on the following outputs:

* Policy framework strengthening & rapid market system/value chain mapping for the future of work in the tourism sector.
* Pilot project implementation and monitoring.
* Women’s empowerment and participation in the tourism industry.

**Context between UNDP and ILO alliance in the Dominican Republic**

This initiative has been developed in close collaboration with the national and regional teams of the International Labor Organization (ILO), by articulating all actions with a project proposal related to tourism and decent work, which the ILO has prepared and approval in February 2022 (USD 425,000.00). UNDP’s proposal it was approval on 09/29/2022 (USD 400,000.00).

The ILO project aims to strengthening national capacities for the design and implementation of integrated strategies that promote employment recovery and resilience. Moreover, it seeks to promote formalization within the framework of post COVID-19 recovery policies, will ensure tripartite dialogue, a gender focus and is aligned to ILO's R 204. The expected results are:

ER1: The government, the social partners (employers) and other relevant actors develop an integrated Formalization strategy for the tourism sector of the Dominican Republic based on tripartite social dialogue.

ER2: Formalization pilot programme in the tourism sector implemented and systematized for sectoral escalation.

ER3: Workers' organizations have the institutional capacities and technical tools to contribute to job recovery and resilience, as well as to organize and provide services to workers in the informal economy to facilitate transit to formality with decent work and social protection.

UNDP has prioritized the implementation of this project in the province of Samaná, specifically in the municipalities of Las Terrenas and Las Galeras. However, we are currently waiting for ILO’s confirmation to present its project approved by the Ministry of Labor, in order to implement joint actions in the same territory.

**Results framework**

*Output 1:*

*Policy frameworks strengthening & rapid market system/value chain mapping for the future of work in the tourism sector.*

* In process of designing of a strategy with key entry points to adequate the National Labour Policy to the tourism sector with special attention in youth, young women, and vulnerable people to develop innovative and sustainable labour opportunities within the tourism value chain.

*Output 2:*

*Pilot project implementation and monitoring*

* In the process of implementing an assessment for the design of a strategy for the Digital Nomads projects with a gender focus in Las Terrenas.
* The process of transferring the En Marcha methodology to the country office has begun, with the support of the UNDP regional office in Panama, with the aim of generating the capacities of local consultants through public, transparent, and suitable accreditation.

*Output 3:*

*Empowerment and Participation of women in the tourism industry*

* In the process of implementing an assessment on the employment situation and participation of women in the tourism value chain in the DR.

***Next step***

* Strengthening the strategic and technical relationship between UNDP and ILO in the Dominican Republic to achieve the common objectives set forth with this initiative.
* Signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between UNDP, the National Association of Hotels and Restaurants (ASONAHORES) and local governments to strengthen the results of this project.
* Provide specialized technical assistance and training to MSMEs in the tourism value chain of prioritized territories.