



You love the ocean.

You care about a clean, safe sea.

Do you know?

TRASH IS THE ENEMY OF MARINE ORGANISMS: Every year, more than 100,000 marine turtles DIE because they swallow or get tangled with plastic bags. Trash also accumulates toxins, polluting the ocean and killing marine organisms.

TRASH HURTS MARINE ECONOMIES: Trash damages boats and equipment operated in the sea. Insurance companies have paid more than **\$50 MILLION** to repair the damage on boats caused by trash. Trash is one of the reasons why marine resources are depleted, threatening the lives of millions of fishermen.

TRASH RUINS TOURISTS' OPINION OF BEACHES AND COUNTRIES: 97% of tourists avoid beaches with more than 10 items of trash/meter (ENCAMS, 2005)

TRASH POSES TREMENDOUS HEALTH HAZARDS: Tourists and local residents risk stepping on pieces of glass on the beaches or contracting skin diseases when swimming in polluted water. Trash spreads viruses and dangerous bacteria.

And did you know?

There are more than **5 TRILLION** items of plastic trash with a total weight of nearly 270,000 TONS in the ocean.

VIETNAM IS AMONG TOP FIVE COUNTRIES DUMPING PLASTIC INTO THE WORLD which is ranked by mass of mismanaged plastic waste (Jenna R. Jambeck 2015)

Plastic wastes including plastic bags, beverage bottles and polystyrenes are top items found in the previous two "Action for a green Ha Long" programmes organized by Ha Long – Cat Ba Alliance. Such wastes have deteriorated the images of tourist attraction places and created bad impression on tourists.

JOIN THE FIGHT FOR A HEALTHY OCEAN !

Join us in "ACTION FOR A GREEN HA LONG" You can:

- Receive training in collecting and reporting trash **COMPONENTS**.
- Learn about what **CRUISE SHIPS** do to protect the marine environment.
- Demonstrate collective social **RESPONSIBILITY** in conserving global landscape values of Ha Long Bay – a World Heritage.
- Join Greenovation Challenge contest: **Living in plastic era – How can we stop this crisis?** Develop ideas/initiatives on plastic recycling with the **PROGRAMME CHAMPIONS/WINNERS** of the contest.

Date: August 29-30th, 2017 | Location: Ha Long Bay, Quang Ninh Province



Programme Schedule

TIME	ACTIVITY
Day 1	Clean-up Day
6.45 – 10.30	Depart from Hanoi
10.30 – 10.45	Arrive at the Au Co Pier, Tuan Chau Island, Ha Long Bay
10.45 – 11.15	Boarding – Group Photo
11.15 – 11.30	Welcome on board and introduction of the Au Co Cruise safety guide introduction
11.30 – 11.50	Welcome speeches (1, 2)
11.50 – 12.15	Introduce the Green Ha Long program – green journey
12.15 – 13.15	Lunch break
13.15 – 13.45	Training in collecting and reporting trash components
13.45 – 14.00	Assign groups and trash-collection sites
14.00 - 16.30	Groups collect trash and record trash components in Vung Ha
16.30 - 17.00	Group Photo - Return to the Au Co cruise boat
17.00 – 17.45	Groups report findings 1 & Summary of day 1
17.45 – 19.00	Provide volunteers with certificates & Day 2 plan announcement
19.00	Travel to “homestay “or accommodations in Ha Long
Day 2	Greenovation Challenge: Living in plastic era– How can we stop this crisis?
8.00 – 8.15	Opening speeches
8.15 – 8.30	Take away messages and call for joint action to reduce plastic waste
8.30 – 9.30	Presentations on new ideas and initiatives to reduce plastic waste
9.30 – 10.30	Q&A from judges to presenters about their project ideas
10.30 – 10:45	Quizzes/Games while judges evaluate ideas
10.45 – 11.00	Prize announcement, certificates presenting and closing remarks
Side events	Use trash to make second-life products-
9:30 till 11:00	Interactive games with local people

Programme Organisers

The programme is brought to you by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) in collaboration with its partners including Bhaya Group, Coca Cola and local partners (GreenHub, Live&Learn) as part of the Ha Long – Cat Ba Alliance Initiative, funded by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID).

The programme organisers will make arrangements and cover the following items:

- Round-trip transportation from Ha Noi to Ha Long Bay on August 29-30, 2017
- Training and documents on reporting trash components on August 29, 2016
- Boats transporting volunteers to and from trash-collecting sites
- Lunch and dinner on August 29-30, 2017
- Gloves and equipment for trash collection
- Collecting and treating trash after the programme; Certificate for volunteers

About IUCN, please visit: www.iucn.org/vietnam

About Ha Long – Cat Ba Alliance, please visit:

http://iucn.org/about/union/secretariat/offices/asia/asia_where_work/vietnam/factsheet_and_projects_pagename2/ha_long_cat_ba_alliance/

About Au Co, please visit: <https://www.aucocruises.com/>

Volunteers

110 volunteers will be chosen for the programme. Volunteers will have the opportunity to learn about sorting and reporting trash components, as well as take part in on-board activities on Au Co cruise and enjoy the homestay in Halong city. Volunteers will have the opportunity to join contest **Greenovation Challenge: Living in plastic era– How can we stop this crisis?**

Volunteers are requested to pay 100.000VND for organizers to cover partly their meal cost on the clean up day.

Volunteers are requested to attend both events on 29 and 30 August. The organizers will cover accommodation cost for volunteers living outside Ha Long City.

Volunteers are also awarded with certificates of participation from the organizer.

Eligibility

- Vietnamese citizens, or foreigners based in Vietnam
- Have time commitment and be in good health
- Be enthusiastic and willing to learn about

Registration

- Interested candidates can register online and provide full answers to questions in the following link: <https://goo.gl/forms/CIZceefcYdJcVKJ03>
- Deadline: 17:00, Saturday, August 12, 2017

environmental protection, and specifically, about the Ha Long Bay marine environment

- Have basic knowledge in collecting and sorting trash
- Be willing to speak up about the need for much better waste management
- Give accurate and full answers to questions in the Registration Form

- Result announcement: Wednesday, August 16, 2017
- We will post the results via email and/or on IUCN website, GreenHub website.
- Notes: We will be able to contact only chosen volunteers and can only communicate via email. Please provide your most accurate email addresses.

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