



Innovative Environmental Initiative

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Save and Sustain / Waste Works

Fresh Montgomery – who we are

Montgomery is a global events company with over 100 years experience. Known for it's entrepreneurial spirit, Montgomery embraces innovation, and relishes a challenge. Seeking new opportunities and delivering quality exhibitions and shows is what Montgomery does best.

Fresh Montgomery is part of the Montgomery Group specialising in running events in the Food, Drink and Hospitality Sectors.



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Our Sustainable Vision

Fresh Montgomery were the first UK organisers to become registered to ISO 20121, which demonstrates our commitment to running our events more sustainably. We were recognised for this in 2012 when we won the AEO Sustainability Award.

One of our key objectives is to engage our visitors and exhibitors with the message that running their businesses more sustainably is not only the right thing to do but can be cost effective as well.

We have introduced a number of different initiatives and teamed up with suppliers and expert partners to deliver on this objective.

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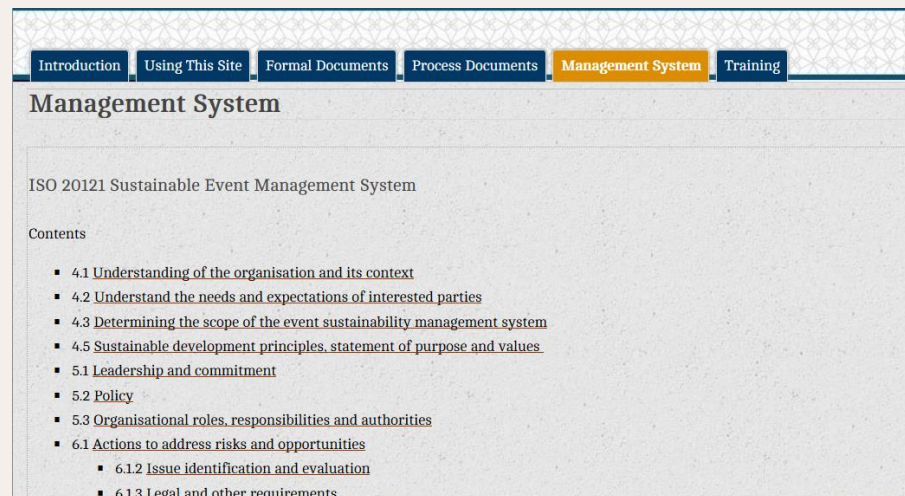
1. Background – Policy - Sustainability

- Our intention is to provide event management which follows and promotes good sustainability practice.
- To reduce the environmental impacts of all our activities
- To help our clients and partners to do the same



1. Background – Procedures - set up a new Sustainability Management System

- Introduced an online management system accessible to all the company and able to be edited by the Sustainability Committee.
- The sections of the management system mirror the sections of the standard to help ensure compliance. Covering areas such as:
 - 4.2 [Understand the needs and expectations of interested parties](#)
 - 8.1 [Operational planning and control](#)
 - 9.2 [Monitoring, measurement, analysis and evaluation](#)
 - 10.1 [Improvement, non-conformities and corrective action](#)



1. Background - Environmental Initiatives

- Paperless Press Office
- Frustration free freight
- Exhibitor food donations
- Save and Sustain and Waste Works

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1. Background – Environmental Initiative 1

- Initiative – Paperless Press Office
 - Exhibitors Provide Press Packs electronically
 - Our PR Team download the packs onto branded memory sticks for the Press
- Outcomes
 - Less paper wasted on Press Packs not picked up
 - Cheaper for the exhibitor
 - Exhibitors press release is put in the hands of ALL the press
 - Appreciated by the press, no heavy press packs to carry around
 - % of electronic packs goes up with every show at the recent IFE 2013, 93% of packs received were electronic

1. Background – Environmental Initiative 2

- Initiative – Frustration Free Freight
 - A cost effective consolidation service.
 - Exhibitors send their goods to a designated warehouse
 - For £40 per pallet goods are taken to the exhibition and delivered to the stand at a designated time.
- Outcomes
 - Less traffic on site, less queuing time, less CO2
 - Happy exhibitors get their goods when they want them – no waiting for couriers
 - More business for the freight forwarder, more support for our environmental policies

1. Background – Environmental Initiative 3

- Initiative – Exhibitor Food Donations
 - Working with FareShare a charity that distributes food to needy people
 - Working with exhibitors to encourage them to donate useable food, left over from their exhibition stands
 - Co-ordinate logistics of collections
- Outcomes
 - At IFE 2013 exhibitors donated 20 pallets of frozen, chilled and ambient food translating into approximately **82,818 meals** for needy people!

2. Save and Sustain – Environmental Initiative 4

- How it started
 - 2011 July – WRAP Hospitality Waste Report



The composition of waste disposed of by the UK Hospitality industry

Research shows that hotels, pubs, restaurants and quick service restaurants could save an estimated £724 million a year by increasing recycling rates and preventing food waste.

This research will be used by WRAP to engage the whole hospitality and foodservice sector in taking measures to prevent food and packaging waste and increase recovery and recycling.

The report estimates that over 3.4 million tonnes (mt) of mixed waste (typically food, glass, paper and card) is produced by hotels, pubs, restaurants and quick service restaurants (QSRs) each year. Of this, 1.6 mt (48 per cent) is recycled, reused or composted, while almost 1.5 mt (43 per cent) is thrown away, mainly to landfill. Furthermore, 600,000 tonnes of food waste was disposed of in 2009, two-thirds of which (400,000 tonnes) could have been eaten if it had been better portioned, managed, stored and/or prepared.

Efforts by this sector have increased recycling rates, but the amount of waste going to landfill remains an issue, as 70 per cent of the mixed waste currently sent for disposal could be recycled using existing markets.

WRAP is working with the hospitality and foodservice sector to help further reduce food and packaging waste and CO₂ emissions and is discussing the possibility of a voluntary agreement.

2. Save and Sustain – partnered with experts

- Following the launch of the WRAP report Fresh Montgomery decided to work with the industry to further their engagement with reducing waste.
- Partnered with the Responsible Hospitality Partnership to look at ways of achieving this.

who we are

The Responsible Hospitality Partnership was established in 2011 from three other entities. Those are the Responsible Tourism and Hospitality Consultancy Ltd, the Centre for Environmental Studies in the Hospitality Industry (formed in 1998, and based in the Oxford Brookes University Business School, Department of Hospitality, Leisure and Tourism Management) and a private company, CESHI Ltd (established in 2005).

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2. Save and Sustain

- What we achieved
 - Delivered a web site where visitors could see how much money and CO2 they could save.
 - Gained sponsorship from companies offering technologies to support the pledges which covered the cost of developing the web site and calculators.



- Undertook a marketing campaign around the launch which included Press Releases, flyers and inclusion in show marketing collateral.

Save and Sustain / Pledge – examples of original marketing collateral



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2. Save and Sustain

- What we achieved –
- January 2012 launch of the Sustainability Pledge.



The screenshot shows the Hotelympia website interface. At the top, the logo for 'hotelympia' is displayed, along with the text 'café • restaurant • pub • bar hotel • contract catering' and the dates '26 Feb - 01 Mar 2012' at 'ExCeL London'. A large orange swoosh graphic is on the right. Below the header, a navigation bar contains the text 'BUILDING BETTER BUSINESSES AND BRIGHTER FUTURES...' and a 'log in' link. The main content area features a section titled 'CALCULATE HOW MUCH YOU COULD SAVE' with a green plant illustration. The text explains that businesses can save money and reduce carbon emissions by switching to low-energy LED alternatives. A call-to-action button says 'Click here to calculate how much you could save'. To the right, a green circular graphic displays the results: '2,452 TONNES CO₂ P.A.' and '...with an estimated saving of: £834,751*'. Below this, a note states that figures are estimates based on assumptions and provides a link to view them. At the bottom right, the 'MICO LIGHTING LTD PHILIPS' logo is shown, along with contact information: 'Contact led@mico.co.uk to find out'. The bottom of the page features a stack of silver coins.

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café • restaurant • pub • bar
hotel • contract catering
26 Feb - 01 Mar 2012
ExCeL London

Brought to you by:
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BUILDING BETTER BUSINESSES AND BRIGHTER FUTURES... log in

CALCULATE HOW MUCH YOU COULD SAVE

Work out how much money your business could save from investing in one or more low cost resource efficient technologies. You'll be amazed by how much you can save!

For example, our cost saving calculator indicates that a 10 bedroom hotel with restaurant could save £3,691 and reduce carbon emissions by 16 tonnes per year by swapping from incandescent/halogen lamps to low energy LED alternatives.

* Businesses are not obliged to invest in any of the technologies that are featured on this site.

[Click here to calculate how much you could save](#)

Hotelympia visitors have calculated that they could save:

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TONNES CO₂ P.A.
...with an estimated saving of:
£834,751*

*All figures are estimates based upon a number of assumptions. Please click [HERE](#) to view the assumptions.

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2. Save and Sustain – continuous improvements

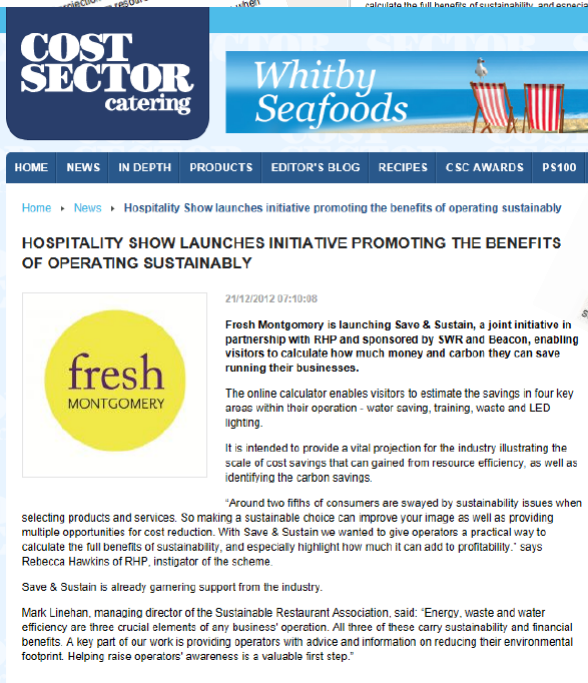
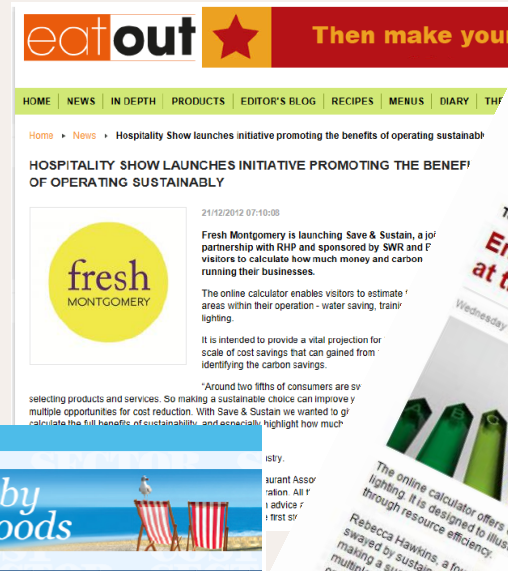
The ethos of sustainability includes continuous improvement so we honestly evaluate our achievements and look at ways to improve year on year

- What we learned.
 - Visitors were reluctant to take a 'pledge' as they saw it as committing themselves to action.
- Without taking the pledge visitors couldn't see the benefits
 - For the next run of events we changed the name to Save and Sustain and described it as a Calculator rather than a pledge
- This received more publicity but we still weren't convincing enough people to take part
 - We were asking visitor to complete the calculator just after they had completed their registration to the event
- Visitors had just completed a registration form and did not have the time / inclination to complete another one straight after. For the next edition we will market the calculation separately from the show registration and include incentives. We will then follow up with research as to how many people have acted on the information and use this to help promote the site further

2. Save and Sustain

- What we achieved
 - Over 67,000 click-throughs on the web site saw the Save and Sustain message
 - 209 visitors clicked through to the Save and Sustain calculator
 - Achieved press coverage both online and in hard copy in a number of industry titles including:
 - Caterer and Hotelkeeper
 - Cost Sector Caterer
 - Lunch Business
 - Eat Out
 - **Potential savings of 3,593 Tonnes of CO2**
 - **Potential savings of £1,100,700**

3. Save and Sustain - Press Coverage



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3. Waste Works – Environmental Initiative 5

- Again this was inspired by the WRAP Report into the composition of waste disposed by the UK Hospitality industry
- Original idea was a junk café with the walls being built from recycled rubbish. Inspired by the Hotel built from rubbish.

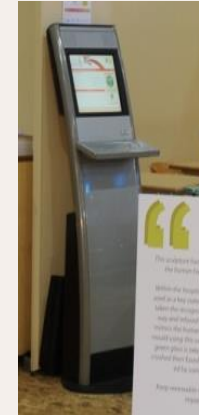


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3. Waste Works

- How it developed
 - Linked to Save and Sustain as both initiatives reduced waste
 - Visitors could pledge on-site on the Waste Works feature
 - Obtained quotes from industry figures to include on the feature



"...view waste with imagination, as a resource which adds value rather than a burden to be thrown away for nothing."

Inder Poonaji, Nestlé

"Our recycled cooking oil programme has been established for over three years now and last year we ended up recycling 2.7m litres of used cooking oil with about a 12% saving in CO2"

Lindsay Ninser, Comms Controller, 3663

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3. Waste Works

- How it developed
 - Display of making waste ‘work’ including artwork created by students from Falmouth College

A phoenix has always been the symbol of rebirth - a dramatic yet beautiful reincarnation. This sculpture promotes the idea that metal can be recycled for practical and environmental benefits but, taken a step further, can be used creatively too. Working in metal opens up endless opportunities for recycling scrap metal to create something beautiful and relevant.

My commissioned pieces have ranged from extraordinary, contemporary and abstract sculptures to reflections of nature.

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3. Waste Works

- How it developed
 - Display of making waste 'work'
 - Workshop area
 - Sustainability Pledge (Save and Sustain)








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3. Waste Works – Educational Content

- Sessions included

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| <p>'Towards Zero Waste in the Hospitality and Food Service Sector' An introduction to the proposed voluntary agreement for the Hospitality and Food Service sector.</p> | <p>Brendan Hunter, WRAP (Waste and Resources Action Programme)</p> |  |
| <p>'Reducing Energy Resource Consumption in Hotels' - A presentation highlighting the challenges that hotels face in reducing electricity consumption whilst not impacting negatively on facilities or services.</p> | <p>Stuart Clegg, Commercial Director, EMSc UK Ltd</p> |  |
| <p>Training taster – Get your staff on board in your attempts to reduce utility costs but in a way that will also improve morale.</p> | <p>Rebecca Hawkins Responsible Hospitality Partnership</p> |  |
| <p>Pebble in a pond – Leading responsible businesses Participants will explore the key factors for successfully embracing sustainability and how to maximise their influence to facilitate change within their organisations. The purpose of this session is to recognise how unlocking people potential and engaging staff in the agenda, is essential for organisations to maximise change and to truly embed sustainability at the core of the organisation.</p> | <p>Jon Cook Green Foundation - an Eden Project</p> |  |
| <p>'Food Waste for Thought' Practical ideas and cost-saving measures on food waste prevention.</p> | <p>Katie Haycock WRAP (Waste and Resources Action Programme)</p> |  |

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3. Waste Works

- What it's become....
- At Hotelympia 2014 the theme and message Waste Works has been developed into a whole section of the show with it's own brand:



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4. Customer Feedback

Great effort and a good example for other exhibitions'

**Green Tourism
Business Scheme –
ScotHot Exhibitor**

"Sustainability is integral to Fresh Montgomery's operation. What they do within the business to minimise impacts is impressive. What is outstanding, however, is the initiatives they take to engage those who exhibit and attend their exhibitions in sustainability activities. At a time when so many organisations have dropped "sustainability" from their agendas, Fresh retain dedicated sustainability aspects to their exhibitions and continue to encourage visitors to understand this issue and the role it can play in recession-proofing their operation." **Dr Rebecca Hawkins, Research and Consultancy Fellow at Oxford Brookes University and MD of Responsible Hospitality Partnership**

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4. Customer Feedback

*Well Done folks!!
We value
sustainable events
and are glad to be
part of Scothot
2013' Baggio
Coffees – ScotHot
Exhibitor*

“The development of a sustainability strategy for the Hotelympia and Hospitality Exhibitions greatly assists companies with their own carbon management and carbon footprint reduction. Recognising and reducing the carbon footprint of an exhibition means that it can become an integrated element of a company's overall marketing and exhibition strategy. It is a visionary and enlightened development. This is a valued extension within the marketing supply chain and in itself is a benefit for exhibiting companies who increasingly need to account for their total carbon use in relation to their individual product footprints.

As carbon accountability becomes of increasing importance for CESA members this independent recognition of performance through ISO 20121 adds value for exhibitors and the catering equipment industry as a whole.” **Keith Warren**
CSFP, Director Computer Equipment Suppliers Association

4. Customer Feedback

"The SRA continue to be impressed with Fresh Montgomery's industry leading approach to sustainability, from their achieving ISO 20121 to their 'Save and Sustain Calculator' and enabling exhibitors and visitors to minimise their environmental impact." Ed Franklin, Corporate Development Manager, Sustainable Restaurant Association

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Speciality & Fine Food Fair shows an impressive attitude towards sustainability' Kandula Tea – Speciality and Fine Food Exhibitor

It's great that sustainability is such a major focus of the show. I'm pleasantly surprised! Thanks for increasing awareness!
CRU8 – Exhibitor at Speciality and Fine Food Fair



5. Conclusion

Fresh Montgomery recognises that an effective sustainability policy is about continually improving and moving forward.

Working closely with our stakeholders we will reap greater rewards in the long run.

We will continue to introduce new initiatives and activities and promote them to our customers. Engaging with venues, suppliers, exhibitors and visitors to deliver sustainable events and sustainable businesses.

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