

Christ the Redeemer Signs Climate Certification Agreement with Green Initiative

Two of the most visited UNESCO World Heritage landscapes in Latin America are now formally linked — and committed to a measured, verified climate pathway.

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/EINPresswire.com/ -- This Friday, 21

August, at 9:00 AM, the Sanctuary of

Christ the Redeemer will sign the Climate Certification Agreement with Green Initiative, which provides for the survey of greenhouse gas emissions related to tourism activity, analysis of carbon capture in the surrounding forest areas, and the preparation of a climate diagnosis.

Based on this data, a [Climate Action Plan](#) will be developed, with short- and medium-term

targets and measures aimed at reducing emissions and decarbonizing the Sanctuary's tourism operations.

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What we are bringing to Rio is not a promise but a method. It begins with measurement, because nothing can be reduced before it is known.”

Luciana Visnevski, Director for Latin America, Green Initiative

The agreement will be signed by the Rector of the Sanctuary of Christ the Redeemer, Padre Omar, and by the Director of Green Initiative for Latin America, Luciana Visnevski. The process will be carried out between 2026 and 2028, with annual certification cycles. Green Initiative will also be responsible for technical support and for the mobilization of resources for the implementation of the actions foreseen in the plan, at no cost to the Sanctuary.

Depending on the results of each cycle, the Sanctuary of Christ the Redeemer may receive Climate Positive or Carbon Neutral certification.

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Date: 21 August 2026

Time: 9:00 AM

Location: Sanctuary of Christ the Redeemer — Rio de Janeiro (RJ)

Sanctuary of Christ the Redeemer Holds Twinning Ceremony with Machu Picchu, in Peru

The logo for Green Initiative, featuring the word "greeninitiative" in a green, lowercase, sans-serif font. To the right of the text is a small illustration of a green butterfly. Below the main text, in a smaller font, is the tagline "For a Climate & Nature Positive Planet".

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Green Initiative logo — For a Climate & Nature Positive Planet

This Friday, 21 August, at 8:00 AM (Brasília time), a Mass will be held followed by a Twinning ceremony between the Sanctuary of Christ the Redeemer, in Rio de Janeiro, and Machu Picchu, in Peru. With the initiative, the two sites, which are two of the world's most iconic heritage sites, will begin to develop partnerships in the areas of Education, Tourism, Culture, Sports and Economy, strengthening the historical, cultural and religious ties between Brazil and Peru. The ceremony will be attended by the Rector of the Sanctuary of Christ the Redeemer, Padre Omar, and by the Alcalde (Mayor) of Machu Picchu, Elvis Lexin La Torre Uñaccori, in addition to representatives of the institutions involved.

The Twinning, already carried out by the Sanctuary of Christ the Redeemer with the Sanctuary of Christ the King, in Portugal; the Cristo Redentore di Maratea, in Italy; the Cristo del Otero, in Spain; the Frei Galvão Sanctuary, in Guaratinguetá (SP); the Christ the Redeemer of Itaperuna (RJ); the Cristo Luz, in Balneário Camboriú (SC); the city of Petra, in Jordan; the Santa Dulce dos Pobres Sanctuary, in Bahia; and the Parco Archeologico del Colosseo, in Rome, has the objective of promoting the exchange of experiences and bringing peoples, histories and values closer together.

The agreement provides for cooperation between the two sanctuaries in areas such as sustainable tourism, culture and economic development, with actions involving the exchange of experiences, the holding of events and institutional visits, joint promotion of the destinations and the appreciation of historical and cultural heritage. Among the initiatives foreseen are also the creation of replicas of the monuments for display at the twinned sites and the carrying out of joint campaigns and symbolic actions.

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