#### **Why Mountains Matter**



#### cover about:



#### of the earth's land area

#### are home

## of the world's population

13%

#### provide

# 70%

## of the world's fresh water

#### supply renewable energy



#### host about

25%

#### of terrestrial biodiversity

#### contribute to food security



with key mountain crops

#### attract about

## 15-20%

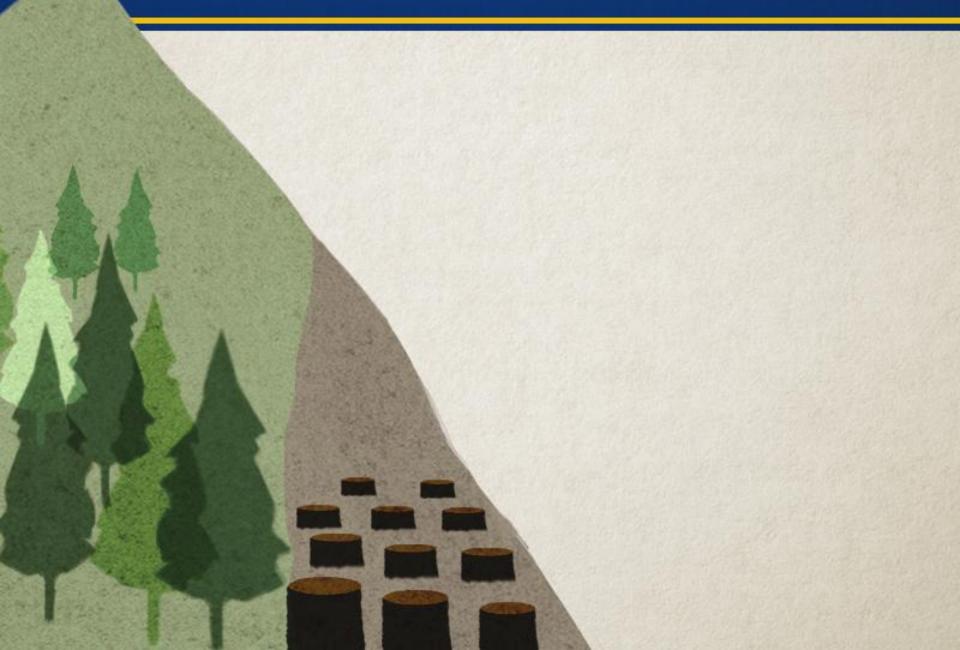
of global tourism



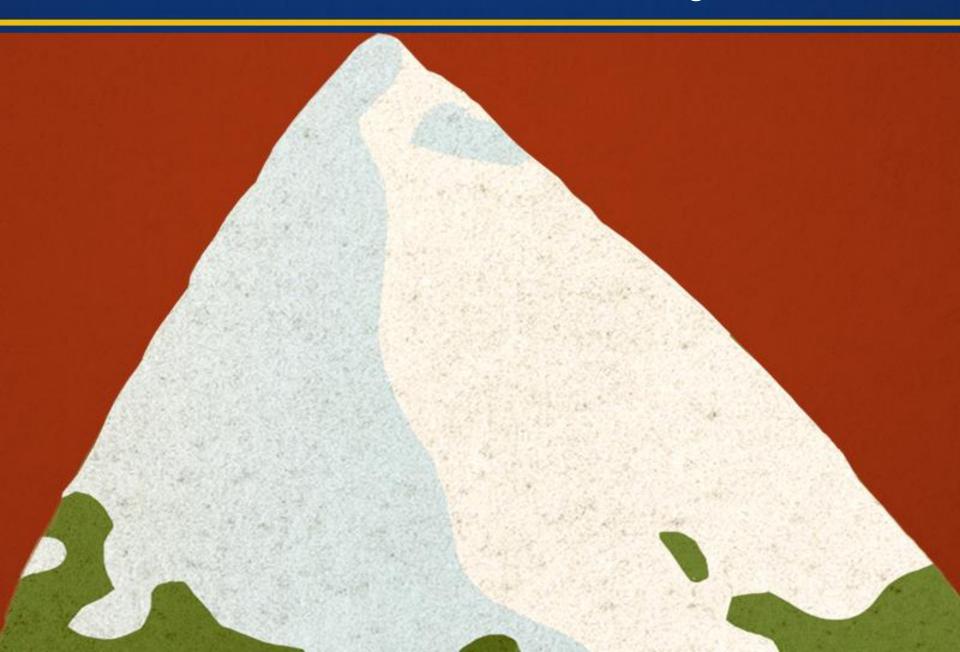
Mountain peoples are among the world's poorest and hungriest

Harsh living conditions which leads to migration

#### fragile ecosystems



#### Indicators of climate change



#### Vulnerable to extreme weather events



natural disasters

#### Mountain communities have traditional knowledge



solutions, adaptation options to build resilience

#### Mountain peoples' voices often unheard



### We need to join forces to protect people and the environment



so that mountains can contribute to a more sustainable future

