# 9th World Wellness Weekend unites 187 countries with record-breaking participation

The UNITED NATIONS' 2030 Agenda is getting closer, and the World Health Organization continues to sound the alarm about the rise of obesity, physical inactivity, mental health, loneliness, and the lack of sleep.

Empowered by **202 Ambassadors and Coordinators** of the 9th World Wellness Weekend professionals in Hospitality, Tourism, Fitness, Spa & Beauty joined forces in every time zone to inspire millions to embrace healthy, active, and mindful lifestyles on **Sept 19–21, 2025.** 

Together, we promoted **Wellness For ALL**, caring for staff, local residents, and reaching out to underserved communities (hospitals, senior homes, schools...), not just clients and members.

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# **WATCH THE 2025 VIDEO**

**10,990 venues** signed up on <u>wellmap.org</u> (17 languages) with 20,000+ free and inclusive activities organized across **2,012 cities in 187 countries.** 

This year represents a **13% increase** in participating venues vs. 2024 *(9,700 venues)* and **75% increase** vs. 2023 *(6,300 venues)*.

### **20 million views** were generated:

- 800+ media mentions (Coverage Book)
- 17 TV interviews including ABC, FOX, national & regional TV channels
- 18 radio interviews including ABC News Radio, CNN Radio Argentina
- **6,000+ posts** on social platforms (*Brand24*)

### 10 Most active COUNTRIES (number of venues participating):

Spain, Italy, Japan, Brazil, Argentina, India, UK, Vietnam, Indonesia, Mexico

### 10 Most active CITIES (number of venues participating):

Tokyo, São Paulo, Málaga, Roma, Marbella, Jakarta, Madrid, Dubai, Osaka, Milan

### 5 Most active CATEGORIES of participating venues:

- HOSPITALITY: Hotels & Resorts
- VITALITY: Fitness clubs, Outdoor, Yoga, Pilates, Sport Associations
- BEAUTY: Spas, Salons, Beauty institutes
- HOLISTIC: Wellness centers. Integrative & Holistic clinics
- LONGEVITY: Wellness practitioners, Acupuncturists, Physiotherapists, Kinesiologists, Hypnotherapists, Chiropractors

1,129 clean-ups (beach, parks, riverbanks) on wellmap.org supported World Cleanup Day

11 official letters of support including from the Department of Health and Department of Tourism (Philippines), Department of Tourism and Bali Spa & Wellness Association (Indonesia), Dubai Sports Council and American Chamber of Commerce (Abu Dhabi - UAE),



**400 venues received their Wellness CHAMPION** badge and certificate for organizing 3 free activities.



**40 venues rose to the Wellness HERO status** for organizing 3 free activities for the public, one for their team (workplace wellness) and one for underserved communities.

#### CITY-WIDE EVENTS

Townhalls, Chambers of Commerce and Tourism authorities embraced World Wellness Weekend with city-wide events:

- ARGENTINA: Córdoba Capital and Valle de Punilla, Secretariat of Social Action, Sports and Education of the Municipality of Tigre
- BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA: City of Banja Luka
- **BULGARIA**: Burgas Municipality
- CHILE: Municipality of Quillota, Municipality of Maipú
- FRANCE: City of Niederbronn Les Bains, City of Villerest
- ITALY: 116 Cities celebrated Sport City Day, City of Casciana Terme Lari
- **LITHUANIA**: City of Palanga
- PORTUGAL: Matosinhos City Council, Pombal Municipality
- SPAIN: City of Marbella, City of Fuengirola, City of Mijas, City of Burgos...
- UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: The Cleveland Tower OHIO, Mineral Wells TEXAS.

#### FEEDBACK FROM PARTICIPATING VENUES

Online survey of participating venues - October 2025

- 35% of venues celebrated WWW for 3 days (22% for 2 days)
- 70% of participants are women
- 67% of participants are 36 to 55 years old
- 75% of participating venues are saving the date for the 10<sup>th</sup> edition of World Wellness Weekend: 18-19-20 Sept 2026

# 2025 aWWWard RECIPIENTS

These companies, NGOs and individuals have gone above and beyond to promote Wellness for ALL on a Global and Local level.



TOKYO MOST ACTIVE CITY WORLD

MARRIOT HOTELS MOST ACTIVE HOTEL GROUP WORLD

RIU HOTELS & RESORTS MOST ACTIVE RESORT GROUP WORLD

WORLD CLEANUP DAY / LET'S DO IT WORLD MOST ACTIVE NGO

#### WELLNESS INNOVATION OF THE YEAR

AGILYSYS HOTEL & SPA MANAGEMENT PLATFORM

LEMI GROUP SPA EQUIPMENT
MATRIX FRANCE FITNESS EQUIPMENT

# **ASIA PACIFIC & INDIA**

### **APAC**

**BANYAN GROUP**MOST ACTIVE RESORT GROUP **EVOLUTION WELLNESS**MOST ACTIVE FITNESS GROUP

FITNESS FIRST & CELEBRITY FITNESS

#### INDIA

J WELLNESS CIRCLE / JIVA MOST ACTIVE HOTEL GROUP

REENA SHETH OUTSTANDING REGION AMBASSADOR INDIA & APAC REKHA CHAUDHARI OUTSTANDING PHILANTROPIC ORGANIZATION

**WORLD DIGITAL DETOX DAY & ZEP FOUNDATION** 

#### JAPAN

TATSUYA KAWASAKI
WELLNESS HERO
WELLNESS CHAMPION
WELLNESS CHAMPION
WELLNESS CHAMPION
WELLNESS CHAMPION
WELLNESS CHAMPION
WELLNESS EARTH ASSOCIATION
WELLNESS CHAMPION

YAMATO, ODAWARA, MIURA, CHIBA, CHOSHI

#### **NEW ZEALAND**

TUI MILNER TE KURA ATUATIRATANGA OUTSTANDING AMBASSADOR SOUTH ISLAND

### **PHILIPPINES**

MARLA MAE RAMOS OUSTANDING CITY AMBASSADOR *MANILA*CYBILLE BARCEBAL OUSTANDING CITY AMBASSADOR *MANILA* 

**THAILAND** 

HAYDEN RHODES OUTSTANDING AMBASSADOR PHUKET

**VIETNAM** 

**FUSION GROUP VINPEARL RESORT & AKOYA SPA**MOST ACTIVE HOTEL GROUP
MOST ACTIVE RESORT GROUP

ALBA WELLNESS VALLEY MOST ACTIVE RESORT

CAO THI THUY QUYNH OUTSTANDING COORDINATOR

# **EUROPE**

**BOSNIA HERZEGOVINA** 

MIROSLAV SKORIC OUTSTANDING AMBASSADOR

**FRANCE** 

NIEDERBRONN LES BAINS MOST ACTIVE CITY

**ITALY** 

FONDAZIONE SPORTCITY MOST ACTIVE FOUNDATION

CASCIANA TERME LARI MOST ACTIVE CITY

SIMONE CIOLLI OUSTANDING REGION AMBASSADOR *TUSCANY* 

**PORTUGAL** 

POMBAL MUNICIPALITY MOST ACTIVE CITY

CATARINA GASPAR PIMPÃO OUTSTANDING WELLNESS LEADER

**SPAIN** 

**LUCIA ROMERO** OUTSTANDING COUNTRY AMBASSADOR

PILAR VALLADOLID OUTSTANDING COORDINADOR

BENALMÁDENA & COMPETA

**LINA BADDOUCA** OUTSTANDING CITY AMBASSADOR

MIJAS & FUENGIROLA

CARLA GALINDEZ OUTSTANDING REGION AMBASSADOR

CANARY ISLANDS

UNITED KINGDOM

DAVID LLOYD CLUBS MOST ACTIVE FITNESS GROUP UK & EUROPE

# **LATIN AMERICA**

**ARGENTINA** 

MUNICIPIO DE TIGREMOST ACTIVE CITYCIUDAD LA PLATAOUTSTANDING CITY

ROMINA RODRÍGUEZ AMANDA MEDINA

CLUB CAZA Y PESCA MOST ACTIVE CLUB DON TORCUATO - TIGRE ROSANA BABIKOV OUTSTANDING AMBASSADOR

OUTSTANDING AMBASSADOR RESISTENCIA CITY - CHACO

MARIA FABIANA CASTAÑON OUTSTANDING COORDINATOR

PUNILLA VALLEY - PROVINCE OF CÓRDOBA

### **DOMINICAN REPUBLIC**

LIVE AQUA BEACH RESORT PUNTA CANA OUTSTANDING RESORT

**URUGUAY** 

LORENA ACUÑA OUTSTANDING COUNTRY AMBASSADOR

# **MIDDLE EAST**

### **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES**

AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ABU DHABI CONRAD ETIHAD TOWERS ABU DHABI W ABU DHABI WELLNESS LEADER OUTSTANDING WELLNESS HERO OUTSTANDING WELLNESS HERO

# **NORTH AMERICA**

### UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

ARCH AMENITIES GROUP

HOSE MASTER LLC.

WORKPLACE WELLNESS CHAMPION

OUSTANDING STATE AMBASSADOR OHIO



# CERTIFICATES OF WELLNESS LEADERSHIP

We extend our gratitude to these professionals for their remarkable dedication in growing awareness about **Wellness for All** in their city and country with World Wellness Weekend.

Flavio ACUÑA - Country Ambassador DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Carla BRUNO - President Cabalango Commune ARGENTINA

Ines CASTELLANOS - Coordinador CADI Marbella SPAIN

Gabriela CIANNI - Sports Coordinator Club Caza y Pesca Don Torcuato ARGENTINA

COUNTRY SUPPORT TEAM Tomoko Iwai, Tomoe Kaneko, Kanako Nakai JAPAN

Erika CROSBY - Country Ambassador COLOMBIA

Ravi DIXIT - Director Yogic Gurukul INDIA

Carmen FERNANDEZ - City Ambassador Madrid SPAIN

Eduardo FINCI – Ambassador Emeritus LATAM ARGENTINA

Jyoti GAGLANI - City Ambassador Mumbai INDIA

Gabriela GERGIC - Country Ambassador ARGENTINA

Elvira HEAL - City Ambassador Màlaga

SPAIN

Jessica HEREDIA - Country Ambassador

CHILE

Giovanna LORRAI - Region Ambassador Sardinia

Maddalena MORANDI - Country Ambassador CAMBODIA

Andrea PAMBIANCHI - Country Ambassador Fitness ITALY

Shweta PAREKH - City Ambassador Mumbai INDIA

Anice PRIETO - Country Ambassador DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Paqui RÍOS - City Coordinador CoínSPAINSusana RODRIGUEZ - Country CoordinadorSPAIN

Dwi SANTINI - City Ambassador Bali INDONESIA

SHARJAH LADIES CLUB - Outstanding Wellness Hero UAE

Marien SOSA - City Coordinador Sevilla SPAIN

Drasko STANIVUKOVIC - Mayor Banja Luka

BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA

Wulan Maharani TILAAR - City Ambassador Jakarta INDONESIA

Desiree VALENZUELA - City Coordinador Màlaga

SPAIN

Sandra VILLAREJO - Country Coordinador

SPAIN

Norma VELAZQUEZ - City Ambassador Comarca de Antequera

SPAIN

Gisella ZAMORA - Secretariat of Social Development & Inclusion Tigre ARGENTINA

# MORE ABOUT WORLD WELLNESS WEEKEND

Launched in 2017, World Wellness Weekend is a non-profit association supporting the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goal #3 (Good Health & Wellbeing for All) and the Global Wellness Institute's Wellness Moonshot.

The event is supported by:

- **202 volunteers** Ambassadors and Coordinators
- 60+ Associations and Federations
- 50+ Mayors and Tourism Authorities
- <u>9 Sponsors</u> making World Wellness Weekend totally free for all (venues and public):
   LEMI Group, MATRIX France, AGILYSYS, Spa Academy by Manuel de la Garza,
   Altearah Bio, bbspa Group, Tip Touch, Starpool, Vagheggi.

"World Wellness Weekend is growing stronger each year, showing that wellness is best when shared with family, friends, colleagues and underserved communities. Wellness For ALL" said Jean-Guy de Gabriac, Founder of World Wellness Weekend. "This year's record-breaking edition proves that people across cultures and continents are eager to make wellbeing a priority for themselves and those around them."

### SAVE THE DATE

The **10th edition of World Wellness Weekend** will take place from **September 18-20, 2026**, promising to expand this vibrant global celebration even further, and to inspire cities to become **Active Wellness Cities** for people who live, work, study, retire and visit.

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wellmap.org (17 languages)

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Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, YouTube: World Wellness Weekend

HD Photos: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1q3YI780oK9cR9CUk7Jk5Tofm1QYHTt9o?usp=sharing