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Darmstadt, August 9th, 2018 *** As of today the drinking water provided in the guest rooms at Zeavola Resort on Koh Phi Phi is produced in the resort and provided in recyclable glass water bottles.

With this new system the Zeavola team made a large step forward in the sustainable operation of the resort. The Zeavola Resort is making its own water using a Reverse Osmosis plant. In order to ensure an all year long production, the capacity of the
already installed RO system had to be increased. Furthermore it was necessary to install an additional RO system for a secondary cleaning process, to produce drinking water quality. To complete the process a bottling plant together with required bottle washing facilities was installed.

**Saving up to 95,000 plastic bottles per year**

After the process was finished Zeavola waited for another 12 month to ensure that the water quantity and quality would comply with all necessary sustainable requirements. After ensuring a consistent water quality and quantity the big day had finally come and now the water is served in reusable bottles meeting all criteria for a resource saving operation. With the new system the resort will avoid the usage of about 95,000 plastic bottles per year, which will have a significant impact on the environment and the Phi Phi Island Marine National Park. It is indeed a big step towards a more sustainable operation of the Zeavola Resort.

Future steps include the implementation of further refilling stations for guests as well as in the restaurants and the activity center.

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