

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME



20TH ANNIVERSARY
OF IUCN-MED



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On the occasion of the 20th Anniversary of the Centre for Mediterranean Cooperation, a series of events will promote innovative dialogues with the productive, technological and financial sectors, aiming to place conservation and biodiversity at the heart of a new economic model that supports the prosperity of Mediterranean societies in harmony with nature.





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Thursday, 29 September

Salón de los Espejos, Malaga Town Hall

10:00h/ 11:00h **Opening of the event**

- Teresa Ribera, Third Vice-President and Minister for Ecological Transition and Demographic Challenge.
- Juan Manuel Moreno Bonilla, President of the Andalusian Regional Government.
- José Francisco Salado Escaño, President of the Council of Malaga province.
- Francisco de la Torre, Lord Mayor of Málaga .
- Presidency of IUCN.

Master of Ceremonies: Antonio Troya, Director, IUCN-Med.

11:00h **Break**

11:30h/ 13:00h **Dialogue 1: Regional Cooperation and Nature Conservation in the Mediterranean**

Biodiversity builds the basis for the well-being and the sustainability of economic activity in Mediterranean societies. Public and private actors will discuss key cooperation mechanisms needed to make the biodiversity and conservation tandem a driving force for Mediterranean societies.

- Almotaz Abadi, Deputy Secretary General, Water, Environment and Blue Economy, Union for the Mediterranean.
- Ilias Mavroeidis, Programme Management Officer – Governance, Barcelona Convention – Mediterranean Action Plan, UNEP.
- Abderrahim Houmy, Director General, National Agency for Water and Forest, Morocco.
- Zouhour Methammem Helali, Head of Cabinet to the Minister of Environment, Tunisia.
- Daniel Schlosser, Interministerial Delegation for the Mediterranean, Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs, France.
- Mireia Moyà, Regional Minister of Agriculture, Rural Development, Climate Emergency and Ecological Transition, Generalitat Valenciana, Spain (TBC).

Moderadora: Imen Meliane, IUCN Vice President and Councillor.

Botanical Garden La Concepción, Malaga

17:00h/ 19:30h **20 Anniversary Celebration Ceremony**

IUCN Members and staff, main partners and collaborators of IUCN-Med will participate with their testimonies to illustrate the 20 years of activity of the Centre.

Mistress of Ceremonies: Puri Canals, Former IUCN vice President and President of MedPAN.

Musical recital by Pedro Buruezo and the Noor Camerata.

Mediterranean culinary demonstration: Mediterranean night of natural flavours

Over two days, the president of the "Gastroarte" association, Fernando Rueda, and 5 chefs, including some awarded with the Michelin star and the "Repsol Soles" will offer a tasting of different dishes prepared with natural, local and sustainable Mediterranean products, showing the importance of maintaining healthy ecosystems which produce food.



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E. Neville Auditorium, Provincial Council of Malaga

8:45h/
9:00h

Welcome

- José Francisco Salado, President of the Council of Malaga province.

9:00h/
11:00h

Dialogue 2: Peace, Nature and SDG in the Mediterranean

The main public and private organisations working for peace and nature in the Mediterranean will be invited to present the major challenges for the region in this regard. Potential solutions and initiatives to be developed in the coming years will be explored.

- Grethel Aguilar, IUCN Deputy Director General for the Regions.
- Andrés Perelló, Director, Casa Mediterráneo (online).
- Lefteris Arapakis, UNEP / Youth Champion of the Earth 2020.
- Assad Serhal, Director General, Society for the Protection of Nature in Lebanon.
- Emad Adly, President, Arab Office for Youth and Environment and The Arab Network for Environment and Development.

Moderadora: Caty Arévalo, Journalist.

11:00h

Coffee break

11:30h/
13:30h

Dialogue 3: Nature and Economic development in the Mediterranean

Public and private organisations will discuss the main challenges faced by food production, fisheries, tourism and the use of natural resources in the Mediterranean while outlining potential solutions.

- Abdalah Srour, Former Executive Secretary, CGPM-FAO.
- Antonio Calvo, Director of Sustainability, Red Eléctrica de España.
- Federico Cardona, Coordinator for Coastal Health for EMEA Region, Iberostar Group.
- Giuseppe di Carlo, Director of Mediterranean Marine Initiative, WWF.
- Jean Jalbert, Director General, Tour du Valat Foundation and Vice President of the IUCN French Committee.
- Peggy Herrmann-Ljubicic, General Secretary, The Didier and Martine Primat Foundation.
- Prince Albert II of Mónaco Foundation.

Moderator: Sonia Castañeda, IUCN Councillor.





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14:00h/ 16:00h **Culinary Demonstration: Colour in Mediterranean cuisine**

The Gastroarte team will take us to several fast food stalls where we will be able to taste local and sustainable gastronomy that also helps to preserve biodiversity.

16:00h/ 18:15h **Dialogue 4: Mediterranean partnerships: new tools for nature conservation in the region**

Representatives of civil society organisations, public administrations and the major private and public foundation supporting projects and initiatives in the region will analyse existing systems of cooperation and collaboration, and discuss innovative mechanisms for mutual collaboration to address the challenges of financing nature conservation and the development of citizen-oriented policies in the Mediterranean. This dialogue will be divided into two blocks:

1st block: challenges of conservation financing

- Fabrice Bernard, Mediterranean Biodiversity Consortium.
- Joumana Sweiss, Programme officer, ENI CBC MED programme.
- Paule Gros, Head of Strategic Partnerships & Director, MAVA Foundation.
- Ahmed Ghedira, President, Notre Grand Bleu.
- Constance Corbier-Barthaux, Biodiversity, Small-Scale Initiatives Programme, French Facility for Global Environment (FFEM).
- Nizar Hany, Vice President of the IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas for North Africa, West Asia and the Middle East.

Moderator: Hilde Eggermont, IUCN Vice President and Councillor.

2nd block: the role of regions in nature conservation governance

- Elodie Nunes, Executive Secretary of the Intermediterranean Commission, Peripheral Conference of Maritime Regions.
- Presidency of the Regional Council of the Region Sud, France.
- Anna Barnadas, Secretary for Climate Action, Department of Climate Action, Food and Rural Agenda, Catalonia Regional Government.
- Regional Direction of Natural Capital, Parks and Protected Areas, Region Lazio (TBC).
- Ramón Fernández Pacheco, Andalusian Regional Minister of Sustainability, Environment and Blue Economy, Andalusia Regional Government (TBC).

Moderadora: Maud Lelievre, IUCN Councillor.

19:30h **Malaga Night of the Alboran Sea**

The Gastroarte team will demonstrate how sustainable fishing practices contribute to enhance the conservation and management of products from the Alboran Sea, and will treat us to “espetos”, a typical dish from Malaga (El Balneario de los Baños del Carmen, Malaga).



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Saturday, 1 October

Sierra de las Nieves National Park

8:00h Departure from Malaga Centre to the Sierra de las Nieves National Park

10:00h/ 11:00h Welcome and presentation of the National Park and its environmental, social and economic characteristics

- Rafael Haro, Director, Sierra de las Nieves National Park.
- Antonio Perez, President, Association of Municipalities of Sierra de las Nieves.

11:00h/ 14:00h Visit to the National Park, divided into groups

14:00h/ 15:30h Lunch

16:00h Return to Malaga

Participants who wish can spend the night in the Sierra de las Nieves National Park and participate in the following activities:

16:30h/ 18:30h Visit to key areas of socio-economic relevance for the National Park: local businesses producing organic products.

19:00h Cultural event

20:00h Dinner

Return to Malaga on Sunday 2nd October at 10h30, estimated arrival at 12h30.



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