

# **Mediterranean ecosystems in danger: Enhancing EU policy response**

*Towards an integration of ecosystem-based approaches in policies*

**5 December 2018 from 9.00 to 12.00**

**Venue: *European Parliament***

*Bât. Altiero Spinelli, Room PHS 5B001 - 60 rue Wiertz, B-1047 Brussels*

The objective of this public hearing is to ensure that the key questions identified by the Med Biodiversity Protection Community, comprising around 150 institutions representing local and regional practitioners, policymakers, environmental lobbyists, and researchers and working in the Mediterranean are presented and taken in consideration in the formulation of political proposals.

## **08.30 Registration - security check**

Participants are kindly requested to register beforehand and as soon as possible on the Registration link: <https://biodiversity-protection.interreg-med.eu> indicating 5 December 2018 in order to guarantee and organize the access to the EP. The day of the conference, participants are kindly requested to present themselves at **08:30** in order to avoid delays.

**09.00 – 09.15**

## **Opening session**

Welcome speech by **Ms Gesine MEISSNER**, MEP, Chair of SEARICA

Presentation of the Interreg Med Biodiversity Protection Community

**09.15 – 10.00**

## **Roundtable 1: Towards a transboundary and ecoregional approach for a sound biodiversity management and protection**

**Moderator:** **Marco AFFRONTE**, MEP, Member of the Searica

**Panelists:** **Ameer ABDULLA**, IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas WPCA

**Representative**, Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management

**Valentina MABILIA**, Policy Officer, Blue Economy Sectors, Aquaculture and Maritime Spatial Planning, DG Mare, European Commission

Q&A

**10.05 - 10.45**

**Roundtable 2: A long-term vision for the development of monitoring tools, harmonized methodologies, protocols and data**

Moderator: **Ricardo SERRÃO SANTOS**, MEP, Vice-Chair of Searica

Panelists: **Sylvain PETIT**, Priority Actions Programme/Regional Activity Centre (PAP/RAC), Croatia

**Khalil ATTIA**, Director, Regional Activity Centre for Specially Protected Areas (RAC/SPA), Tunisia

**Marijana MANCE**, Policy Officer, Unit C2, DG ENV, European Commission

Q&A

**10.45 – 11.30**

**Roundtable 3: Streamlining governance and cooperation to tackle Mediterranean biodiversity challenge**

Moderator: **Francesc GAMBUS**, MEP, Member of Searica

Panelists: **Marie-Aude SÉVIN-ALLOUET**, IUCN-Med Marine programme coordinator

**Sergi TUDELA**, Director general de Pesca i Afers Marítims, Generalitat de Catalunya

**Abdellah SROUR**, FAO General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean, GFCM

Q&A

**11.30 – 12.00**

**Conclusions speech by MEP**

**Signature of the Charter for a MED Ecosystem Based Approach**

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