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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