

New MP Strategy and Governance

Explaining the process and contents



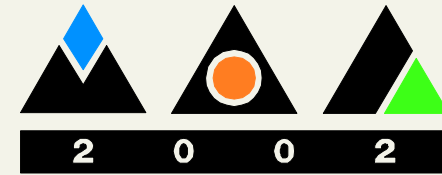
Mountain Partnership

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1992 - 2002 - 2012



**International Year of
MOUNTAINS**

We are all mountain people

www.mountains2002.org



What is the Mountain Partnership?

- **Launched:** WSSD 2002 (ITA, SWI, FAO, UNEP)
- **Membership:** 212
- **Mandate:**
 - advocacy,
 - training,
 - communication,
 - resource mobilization
- **MPS resource partners:** ITA, SWI, WB, FAO



Main achievements (I)

- Knowledge sharing and networking
- Increased attention to mountains at **national and regional levels**
- Increased attention to mountains in **international negotiations**
 - **Rio+20: Paragraphs 210-212!**

Main achievements & processes (II)

- Training and capacity development
 - IPROMO courses
 - Climate change workshops
- Attention to thematic areas
 - Gender
 - Climate change
 - Watershed management
 - Etc.

Main achievements & processes (III)

- Key publications with partners

- Climate change
- Mountain forests
- Biodiversity
- Drylands



- Contribution to **CSD** and **UNSG** reports
- Contribution to **IMD** celebrations

2012

Initiation of **renewal process**,
based on the **lessons learned**
from **10 years** of existence of
the MP



Impetus for renewal

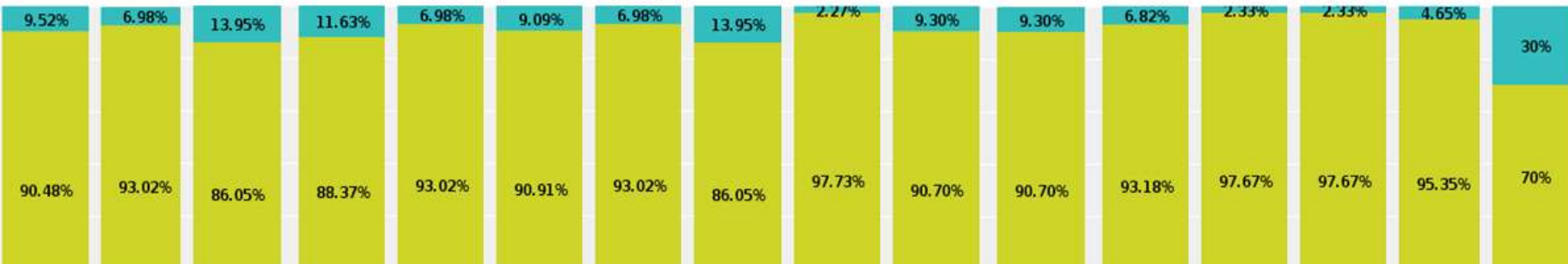
- Consider the **uniqueness** of the MP
- **Commitments & benefits** of membership
- Refocus on the real **substance** of the MP
- **Governance** structure of the MP
- **Resource mobilization** strategy
- Measurement of joint **impact**

Milestones in the renewal process (I)


- ❑ June 2012: **3rd Global Meeting** of the MP (Rio de Janeiro)
- ❑ Oct 2012: **Task Force Meeting** with 25 participants (Rome)
- ❑ Dec 2012: submission of **1st draft** to TF members
- ❑ Jan – April 2013: **consultations**, mainly in the regions
- ❑ April 2013: submission of **2nd draft** to TF members
- ❑ July 2013: submission of **3rd draft** to the full membership (Survey Monkey)

Milestones in the renewal process (II)

Results from membership survey



 Agree

 Disagree

49 responses

Milestones in the renewal process (II)

- ❑ August 2013:
submission of **4th (final) draft** to the full membership
- ❑ 17-19 Sept 2013:
4th Global Meeting of the MP (Erzurum)



Strategy & governance document

Duration

4 year strategy: Jan 2014 – Dec 2017

- 2+2 year general agenda of the MP
- 2+2 year work plan of the MPS

Strategy & governance document (I)

Background and history

- Chapter 13 of Agenda 21
- IYM 2002
- WSSD 2002 (launch of the MP)
- MP global meetings (Merano, Cuzco)
- Governance mechanisms
- Rio+20



Strategy & governance document (II)

Vision:

The members of the MP envision a world with **increasing** public and private sector **attention, commitment, engagement and investment in SMD...**

Mission:

The MP is a vibrant **voluntary alliance** of interested governments and organizations committed to **working together** with the **common goal of achieving SMD** around the world...

Strategy & governance document (III)

Guiding principles

- Mission and membership driven
- **Mutual responsibility, inclusiveness, engagement**
- Balanced and representative participation
- Transparency and collaboration
- Consensus-based decision making
- Balance of flexibility and focus
- Building on existing activities

Strategy & governance document (IV)

Functions and objectives

- Advocacy
- Joint action
- **Knowledge management and communication**
- Capacity development and technology transfer
- Innovation
- Resource mobilization

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Membership

- Criteria
- **Categories**
- **Responsibilities**



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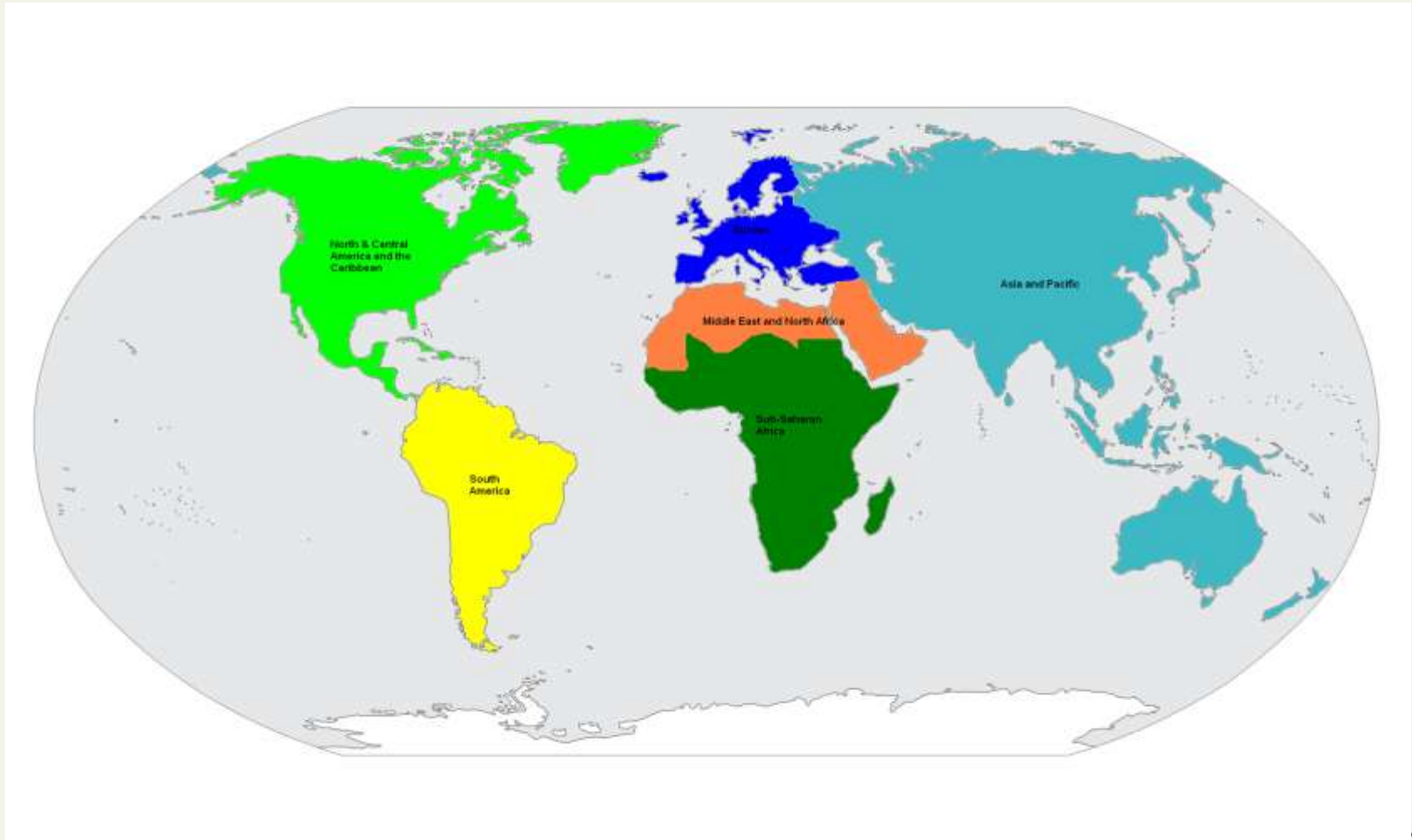
Governing philosophy & mechanisms

- Philosophy
- Mechanisms
 - General Assembly
 - **Steering Committee**
(16 seats)
 - Secretariat



Strategy & governance document (VI)

6 geographic regions



Strategy & governance document (VI)

16 seats of the Steering Committee

- 1 national government rep from each region (6)
- 1 civil society rep from each region (6)
- 1 rep of intergovernmental organisations (1)
- 1 rep of global of civil society organisations (1)
- 1 rep of donor organisations to the MPS (1)
- 1 rep from MPS host institution (1)

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Putting the MP into practice

- **Outputs and activities (for the 6 main functions)**
- **Geographical scale of MP action**
- Monitoring and evaluation
- Language policy
- Use of MP brand



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Appendices

- ToR Steering Committee
- ToR MP Secretariat
- ToR Coordinator of the MP Secretariat
- Key milestones of the MP
- List of MP members

Conclusion (I)

- Impetus for renewal addressed
- Remaining concerns addressed
- Participatory and thorough process
- Ownership created
- High level of acceptance



Conclusion (II)

- It is **your document**. You are invited to **approve and turn it into action**
- It is our **corporate responsibility** to ensure that mountains get the attention they deserve in international negotiations (SDGs for ex.)
- The agenda of the 4th global meeting allows to agree on a **road map** for the next 2 years
- **Thank you** very much for all your efforts and contributions!

Many thanks for your attention!



Mountain Partnership

Steering Committee Nominations

Governments

North & Central America and the Caribbean

- Cuba

South America

- Argentina

Middle East and North Africa

Asia and Pacific

Sub-Saharan Africa

- Cameroon
- Uganda

Europe

Steering Committee Nominations

Intergovernmental Organizations

- International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD)
- United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
 - United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

Global Civil Society Organizations

- The Mountain Institute (TMI)

Donors

- Italy

Institution hosting the MPS

- FAO

Steering Committee Nominations

Civil Society 1/2

North & Central America and the Caribbean

- Aspen International Mountain Foundation (AIMF)
- National Meteorological Institute of Costa Rica

Middle East and North Africa

- Mountain Environment Protection Society
- Suldoz Kouhyaran Institute
- Sultan Qaboos University

South America

- Foundation Agreste
- Foundation Pangea

Asia and Pacific

- Broad Initiatives for Negros Development (BIND)
- CAMP Alattoo
- Centre for Environment Education (CEE Himalaya)
- Pan Himalayan Grassroots Development Foundation
- Prakriti, a mountain environment group

Steering Committee Nominations

Civil Society 2/2

Sub-Saharan Africa

- Albertine Rift Conservation Society (ARCOS)
- Cameroon National Network of Associations and NGOs of the Mountain Partnership (RENASONGCAM)
- Foundation for Environment and Development
- International Centre of Insect Physiology and Ecology (ICIPE)

Europe

- Association for the Development of Mountain Regions in the Republic of Macedonia (MAKMONTANA)
- Environmental Research Center of the Khazar University (ERCKU)
- Euromontana
- Interdisciplinary Mountain Research – Austrian Academy of Sciences