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### The World Mountain Forum

The fourth World Mountain Forum (WMF 2018) took place from 23-26 October 2018, in Bishkek, the Kyrgyz Republic. Approximately 300 participants attended the meeting, which addressed the overarching theme, 'Mountains in a Changing World: Strengthening Partnerships and Pathways Towards a Thriving Mountain Future.' WMF 2018 was co-organized by the University of Central Asia (UCA) and the government of the Kyrgyz Republic, under the auspices of the Sustainable Mountain Development for Global Change...Read More »



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## Discussing progress at the World Mountain Forum

The Mountain Partnership's Framework for Action was presented by Yuka Makino, Mountain Partnership Secretariat during the Global Perspectives session of the World Mountain Forum 2018 in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan. Countries on the panel, including Afghanistan, Kyrgyzstan, Pakistan, Switzerland and Uganda, were invited to showcase how they were able to integrate mountain development into national policies... **Read More** 



### Bridging the gap on mountain resilience

The Global Mountain Safeguard Research (GLOMOS) conference took place in Bolzano, Italy from 17 - 19 October 2018. GLOMOS is a joint initiative between **EURAC** Research and the **United Nations University** Institute for Environment and Human Security (UNU-EHS), which aims to enhance disaster risk... **Read More** 



### **Cultural heritage at the European Mountain Convention**

From 25 to 27 September 2018, nearly 200 mountain stakeholders from all over Europe gathered in Vatra Dornei, Romania, to participate in the European Mountain Convention on "Cultural Heritage as an Engine for Creativity, Innovation and Socioeconomic Development of Mountain areas", organised jointly by **Euromontana Read More** 



# **#MountainsMatter Photo Contest**

The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) has launched a #MountainsMatter Photo Contest in celebration of International Mountain Day that is observed every year on 11 December 2018. Participants from around the world are encouraged to submit photos showing why mountains matter to them. Approximately 13 percent of the world's population lives in mountains.. Read More







### Closing summer school on Agrobiodiversity

The first Summer School on Agrobiodiversity in a Changing Climate ended this week. Held at FAO in Rome, Italy, the course hosted high profile speakers from NaturaSi, IFOAM Organics International and Slow Food and looked at ways to enhance productivity and improve marketing strategies in sustainable and resilient agricultural systems... Read More

# **Inspiring social innovation in mountains**

Social Innovation in Marginalised Rural Areas (SIMRA)'s fourth brochure, called "Collection of Examples of Social Innovation in Mountain areas" has just been published, in collaboration with **Euromontana** and SIMRA partners. These brochures aim at concretely illustrating social innovation through the presentation of local on-going initiatives throughout Europe and the Mediterranean basin, ...**Read More** 

### IPROMO inspires wildlife conservation in Malawi

The Mountain Partnership training programme, IPROMO in 2017 inspired a collaboration between the chairman Danilo Godone and Godfrey Mfiti, a participant from Malawi, and a promising idea concerning the management of wildlife conservation in Malawi took shape. The IPROMO course in 2017 marked the tenth anniversary of the .... Read More

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**







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World Forum on Urban Forests Mantova, Italy



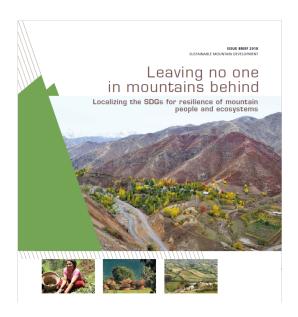
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# New MRI & CDE Issue Brief | Leaving No One in Mountains Behind

In this Issue Brief, the MRI and the Center for Development and Environment (CDE) present initial steps towards localization of the 2030 Agenda to mountain areas. To support this localization process, expert assessments were were conducted in Nepal, Uganda, Kyrgyzstan, Ecuador, and Switzerland based on the following questions: What SDG targets have a high priority in terms of addressing the most critical development issues of mountain areas in their countries? Which of these priority targets help to strengthen the resilience of mountain communities and ecosystems?





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## **MEMBERS**

Currently, the Mountain Partnership has 348 members: 60 governments, 7 subnational authorities, 16 intergovernmental organizations and 264 major group organizations (e.g. civil society, NGOs and the private sector). Please feel free to contact them for possible collaborative projects and ideas. We wish to welcome the following new member:



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## **CALL FOR NEWS**

Keep Mountain Partnership members informed of your activities! Please email  $\underline{Sara.Manuelli@fao.org}$  info about new projects and programmes, initiatives, events, publications, newsletters, vacancies or calls for papers.

The Mountain Partnership is a United Nations voluntary alliance of partners dedicated to improving the lives of mountain peoples and protecting mountain environments around the world.

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