



# Peak to Peak: Mountain Partnership Newsletter

working together for mountain peoples and environments



## A celebration of mountains at FAO

The Mountain Partnership Secretariat held an event at the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) in Rome, Italy to celebrate International Mountain showcasing Bolivian Andes musical traditions, mountain literature readings in sevaral languages and a performance by the Alpine Club Choir of Rome...

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#### **HIGHLIGHTS**



Building resilience in mountains - COP21



Mountain museums form a new alliance



Together to honour the mountains of the world



**Promoting mountain** products

The Mountain Partnership Secretariat and Partners held two side events at the 21st Conference of Parties (COP21) of the United **Nations Framework** Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) in Paris, France. One focused on adaptation and the other on resilience ...

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The directors of six mountain museums met special day of observance producers from over ten at the Food and Agriculture Organization homes, sources of of the United Nations (FAO) in Rome, Italy, on 11 December for the signing ceremony of the Mountain Museums Alliance (MMA). This free on International association among alpine Mountain Day (IMD) they and ...

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for mountains. As essential goods, foundations of livelihoods and cultural heritage, the value of mountains is immeasurable. This year being held at the Nature are being celebrated for the various...

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The 11 of December is a More than 30 mountain mountain regions of the world are gathering today in New Delhi, India for the exhibition "Mountain High! Festival of Peoples and Products". The 11-day exhibition is Bazaar space, a venue managed by the NGO, Dastkar which...

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**FEATURED NEWS PUBLICATION** 

- Mountain climate petition noted at COP21
- Managing Abruzzo's protected areas
- alpMonitor: tracking changes
- Update on Mountain Protected Areas
- Developing research center for mountain economy
- Remembering 'great mountain-woman' Olene Walker
- Volunteering for the MP Secretariat
- Worldwide glacier information app launches
- Solar cookers in Tajik mountain valley
- New atlas maps climate change in Himalayas

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Montanha Pico Festival

Venue: Pico island, Azores, Portugal

 International Conference on Education as a Driver for Sustainable Development Goals

Venue: Ahmedabad, India

 Second SMTA Symposium: Building a Meta-Network on Sustainability in Mountain Tourism

Venue: Chamonix, France



This study presents an updated geographic and demographic picture of the world's mountain areas and assesses the vulnerability to food insecurity of mountain dwellers in developing countries, based on a specially designed model.

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#### **VIDEO**



RESPECT THE EARTH: The short film by Earth Day Italia shows how rural communities in Italy are promoting sustainability by following 5 simple rules.

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### **INTERNATIONAL MOUNTAIN DAY 2015**

As for every year, we encourage members to share news and photos of their International Mountain Day events. Please send to <a href="mailto:Sara.Manuelli@fao.org">Sara.Manuelli@fao.org</a>

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

Currently, the Mountain Partnership has 266 members: 56 governments, 14 intergovernmental organizations, 191 major group organizations (e.g. civil society, NGOs and the private sector) and 5 subnational authorities. Please feel free to contact them for possible collaborative projects and ideas. We welcome the following new member:

University of Denver - Western Colorado Master Social Work

# **CALL FOR NEWS**

Keep other Mountain Partnership members informed about your activities! Please email <a href="Mia.Rowan@fao.org">Mia.Rowan@fao.org</a> info about new projects and programmes, initiatives, events, publications, newsletters, vacancies and 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. <a href="www.mountainpartnership.org">www.mountainpartnership.org</a>