



Peak to Peak: Mountain Partnership Newsletter

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working together for mountain peoples and environments



Linking food security to mountains

The annual International Programme on Research and Training on Sustainable Management of Mountain areas (IPROMO) was launched today by Giorgio Ferraris the Mayor of Ormea, Rosalaura Romeo of the Mountain Partnership Secretariat and Michele Freppaz of the University of Turin. ...

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HIGHLIGHTS



MP members meet in post-earthquake Kathmandu

On 12 June 2015, Mountain Partnership Secretariat Coordinator Thomas Hofer met with Nepali members and members who have offices in Nepal to discuss a coordinated response to the devastating 25 April earthquake. Gathered at the Nepal Office of the ...

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Central Asian forum focuses on mountains

More than 120 representatives of organizations from across Central Asia and from around the world whose work is dedicated to the concerns of mountain societies and environments, gathered on 8 June 2015 in Dushanbe, Republic of Tajikistan, ...

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Peru approves mountain biodiversity group

The Government of Peru approved the formation of a technical group to work on mountains as part of the country's National Committee on Biological Diversity, or CONADIB, during a special meeting convened in San Isidro on 14 May 2015. The Technical Group ...

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Advocating for mountains in development goals

As the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) enter the final stages of debate before being adopted in September 2015, the Mountain Partnership Secretariat and members are engaging in a social media campaign advocating that mountains be ...

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FEATURED NEWS

- **Expo recognizes the Mountain Partnership**
- **MP Ambassador visits the Peruvian Andes**
- **Course on mountain ecosystems in Costa Rica**
- **Sustainable mountain recreation in New Zealand**
- **Emblematic Mediterranean mountain network**
- **Improving rural Indian Himalayan livelihoods**
- **Supporting climate policy for mountain ecosystems**
- **Mountains cited at global water conference**
- **Mountain products hold potential for Romania**
- **ICT for Mountain Development Award 2015**
- **Alpine photo contest 2015**

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Mountain Forest Management in a Changing World**
Venue: Smokovce, Slovakia
- **International Youth Expedition “Mt Damavand 5671m”**
Venue: Tehran, Iran
- **The Fourth Annual Kathmandu Conference on Nepal and the Himalaya**
Venue: Kathmandu, Nepal
- **VisMont Conference: “Agriculture, Environment and Territory: An Innovative Vision for Mountain Agriculture”**
Venue: Bergamo, Italy

CALL FOR PICTURES

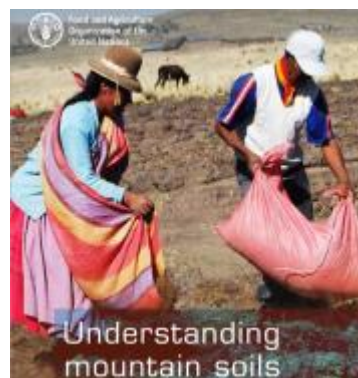
We are currently seeking pictures of people living and working in mountains – in agriculture, tourism, forestry – for upcoming publications. Photos of mountain environments - glaciers, waterfalls, landscapes, forests, biodiversity, livestock are needed in particular. Please send to: mountains.mps@gmail.com

NEW MEMBERS

Currently, the Mountain Partnership has 253 members: 55 governments, 13 intergovernmental organizations, 179 major group organizations (e.g. civil society, NGOs and the private sector) and 5 subnational authorities. We welcome the following new members. Please feel free to contact them for possible collaborative projects and ideas.

- **International Alliance for Mountain Film (IAMF)**
- **Mountains & People**

PUBLICATION



This publication, produced by the Mountain Partnership as a contribution to the International Year of Soils 2015, presents the main features of mountain soil systems, their environmental, economic and social values, the threats they are facing and the cultural traditions concerning them.

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VIDEO



This four-minute video produced by the Mountain Partnership Secretariat provides an overview of its major achievements since being established in 2002.

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Keep other Mountain Partnership members informed about your activities! Please mia.rowan@fao.org info about new projects and programmes, initiatives, events, publications, newsletters, vacancies and calls for papers.

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