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Mountain Biodiversity Matters. Let's protect our future!



Mountain biodiversity matters: FAO's high-level virtual event to mark International Mountain Day

'Mountain biodiversity matters' is the theme of the high-level virtual event that the Mountain Partnership Secretariat at the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations will organize in observance of International Mountain Day on 11 December 2020. International leaders and mountain champions will discuss why mountain biodiversity is important for us all. ... [Read more](#)

Members' Voices



Baby mountain yak wool insulates livelihoods in Mongolia

Bayarmagnai Batsuuri lives with his wife and two children in the mountains of central Mongolia. The Batsuuri family resides in the Erdenebulgan district of the Arkhangai province: a herder's paradise, with grazing land covering more than 70 percent of the province. The area is part of the Khangai Mountains, which reach heights of more than 3 600 metres. ... [Read more](#)

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Agents of change



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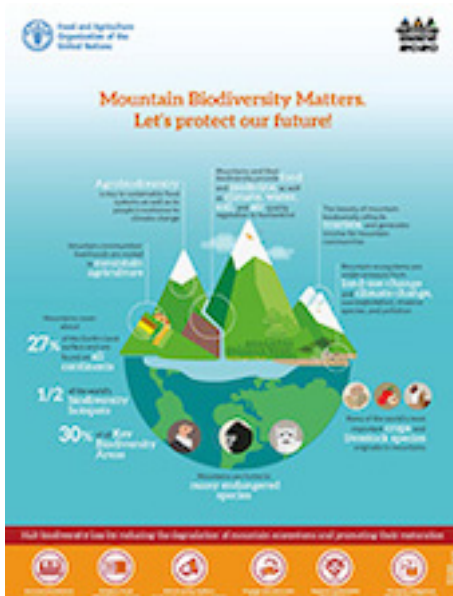
[Transforming communities in the highlands of Viet Nam](#)

Video



[Sparking Change in Mountain Biodiversity through Youth International Mountain Day 2020 web dialogue](#)

On The Shelf



[Mountain Biodiversity Matters – International Mountain Day infographics in six languages](#)

The Mountain Partnership Secretariat and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations in close collaboration with the Global Mountain Biodiversity Assessment developed infographics on this year's International Mountain Day theme, 'Mountain Biodiversity Matters'. Children's activities, including a word search and colouring pages, are also available. ... [Read More](#)

Events



[International Mountain Day events around the world](#) 11 December



[A Guide to the IPCC and the Expert Review Process](#) 8-9 December

Tales of Mountain Biodiversity

The Mountain Partnership and the [Global Mountain Biodiversity Assessment](#) created the “[Tales of Mountain Biodiversity](#)” initiative as a way to celebrate International Mountain Day's theme: #MountainsMatterForBiodiversity with stories from around the world.

[This story and photos](#) were submitted by Long Ruijun, Sun Tao and Shang Zhanhuan. It describes an innovative model being examined in the Qilian Mountains using chickens to control grasshopper populations.



Call for Action



MEMBERS

Currently, the Mountain Partnership has 414 members:

60 governments, 8 subnational authorities,

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Keep Mountain Partnership members informed of your activities and plans for celebrating International Mountain Day!

18 intergovernmental organizations and 328 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 members:

[African Honey Bee](#)

[Sister Cities International](#)

[Zoï Environment Network](#)

Please email 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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