



## Peak to Peak: Mountain Partnership Newsletter

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### A very successful International Mountain Day

For International Mountain Day (IMD), 67 events were organized worldwide in which mountaineers, mountain lovers, governments and institutions gathered on 11 December 2015 to celebrate mountain environments and inhabitants. Celebrations took place in more than 30 countries, including Algeria, Cameroon, ...

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### HIGHLIGHTS



**Celebrating IMD in Africa**



**IMD in the Americas**



**Asia commemorates IMD**



**European events for IMD**

Several events took place on the African continent to honour International Mountain Day (IMD) 2015. In Algeria, the association Assirem Gouraya organized the fourth edition of the Mountain National Festival, putting the spotlight on the Babour Range, urging public authorities ...

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Both North and South America marked International Mountain Day (IMD) through various events in many countries such as Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Mexico, Panama, the US and Venezuela. The Red Ambientalista Brisa (Environmental Network Breeze) ...

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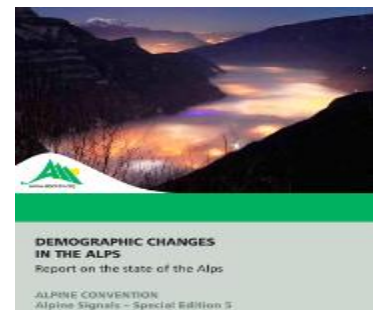
Like every year, many organizations in Asia enthusiastically observed International Mountain Day (IMD) in December 2015. The FAO Representation Office in Iran organized a conference in which Alessandro Amadio, the main speaker and the Representative of the United Nations ...

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International Mountain Day (IMD) was widely celebrated in Europe with events in France, Georgia, Greece, Italy, Portugal, Russia and more. The Russian Geographical Society (RGS) celebrated on 11 December at its Moscow headquarters. The theme of the event "social-ecological ...

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- **Workshop in India connects mountain producers**
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- **Mountain festival starts in Portugal**
- **In memoriam: Mahmut Temiz**
- **Solar cookers in Tajik mountain valley**
- **Air quality monitored in national park in Nepal**
- **Argentina Mountain Committee news**
- **High elevation warming compared to the Arctic**
- **Forum Carpaticum 2016 - call for abstracts**
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This Fifth Report on the State of the Alps tackles a crucial issue for the Alps: demographic change. The Alps are a dynamic living space, where the comprehensive interaction between ...

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#### VIDEO



Spotlight on Mountains: The ambassadors of Italy, the Plurinational State of Bolivia and Switzerland to FAO talk about how mountains contribute to sustainable development during the FAO celebration of IMD.

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#### UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Presentation of the Fifth Report on the State of the Alps: Demographic changes in the Alps: population, employment, education and services**  
Venue: Brussels, Belgium
- **Advances in research on the flora and vegetation of the Carpato-Pannonian region**  
Venue: Budapest, Hungary

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#### INTERNATIONAL MOUNTAIN DAY 2015

If you have not submitted your news, we encourage you to share with us your stories and photos of your International Mountain Day event. Please send to [Sara.Manueli@fao.org](mailto:Sara.Manueli@fao.org)

#### NEW MEMBERS

Currently, the Mountain Partnership has 267 members: 56 governments, 14 intergovernmental organizations, 192 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:

- [Development Communications Network \(DEVCOM-Pakistan\)](#)

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#### CALL FOR NEWS

Keep other Mountain Partnership members informed about your activities! Please email [Mia.Rowan@fao.org](mailto:Mia.Rowan@fao.org) info about new projects and programmes, initiatives, events, publications, newsletters, vacancies and calls for papers.

#### CALL FOR PICTURES

We are currently seeking pictures of people preparing and marketing mountain products, such as coffee, cocoa, honey, herbs, spices and handicrafts. Please send to: [mountains.mps@gmail.com](mailto:mountains.mps@gmail.com)

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