



## Peak to Peak: Mountain Partnership Newsletter

working together for mountain peoples and environments



### Mountain summer course in Italy to open

Participants of the 2017 International Programme on Research and Training on Sustainable Management of Mountain Areas (IPROMO) will meet on 5 July in Ormea and Pieve Tesino, Italy to begin a two-week training programme on sustainable mountain development. About 30 professionals from the fields of Agriculture, Economics, Forestry, Biology, Geology and Geography ...

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### HIGHLIGHTS



**Iberian mountain research network established**

A group of 19 universities and research centres from Andorra, Portugal and Spain have formalized the creation of an Iberian mountain research network to study in partnership the issues affecting



**Mountains recognized at the highest level**

Over the past decades, the area of glaciers in Tajikistan has decreased by 30–35 percent, said United Nations (UN) Secretary-General António Guterres during his visit to Tajikistan. "Earlier today, he [the UN



**International Mountain Day theme announced**

"Mountains under Pressure: climate, hunger, migration" is the theme chosen for this year's celebration of International Mountain Day (IMD) on 11 December 2017. Almost one billion people live in



**Water catchments in the Cameroon highlands**

The [Save Your Future Association](#) (SYFA) is a grassroots non-profit organization working in the Western Highlands of Cameroon, precisely in the Northwest Region. SYFA was founded in

mountain areas on the Iberian Peninsula. The Iberian mountain research network “Rede Ibérica de Investigação de Montanha” (RIIM), an initiative of the [Centro de Investigação de Montanha](#) (CIMO), was established at the Instituto Politécnico de Bragança in Portugal on 26 May 2017 ...

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Secretary-General] was in Tajikistan, where he overflowed the Pamir Mountains on his way to Lake Sarez. The Secretary-General said he was shocked by the effects of climate change he witnessed — in which 30 percent of Tajikistan’s glaciers have melted — and reiterated his call ...

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mountain areas, and over half the human population depends on mountains for water, food and clean energy. Yet mountains are under many threats, such as climate change, land degradation, overexploitation and natural disasters, with potentially far-reaching and devastating ...

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2001 by environmentalist Dieudonne Tantoh Nforba, popularly known as “Farmer Tantoh”, and was officially registered in 2005. The three goals of SYFA are environmental protection, environmental education and community building. Since its creation, SYFA has worked with communities in

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## FEATURED NEWS

- **Mountain Research and Development issue online**
- **Kyrgyz mountain women train in milk processing**
- **Mountains and the SDG indicator framework**
- **Mountain newspaper wins Energy Globe Award**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **International Summer University on Geoparks, Sustainable Regional Development and Healthy Lifestyles**  
Venue: Vila Real, Portugal
- **International Workshop on Mediterranean Mountains**  
Venue: Treia, Le Marche, Italy
- **Mountain Business Summit**  
Venue: Tarbes, Pyrenees, France
- **IPROMO 2017 Summer School: Environmental and economic issues to enhance mountain sustainability**  
Venue: Ormea and Pieve Tesino, Italy
- **International Congress of Highlands and Mountain Ecosystems**  
Venue: Bogotá, Colombia

## PUBLICATION



**Keeping an Eye on SDG 15:  
Working with countries to  
measure indicators on forests  
and mountains**

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## VIDEO



The [Mount Kenya Trust](#) describes its holistic approach to conservation.

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## MEMBERS

Currently, the Mountain Partnership has 294 members: 56 governments, 14 intergovernmental organizations, 218 major group organizations (e.g. civil society, NGOs and the private sector) and 6 subnational authorities. Please feel free to [contact them](#) for possible collaborative projects and ideas. We wish to welcome the following new member:

- [Mount Damavand Conservation Society](#)
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## CALL FOR NEWS

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

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## CALL FOR PHOTOGRAPHS

We are currently looking for pictures that show mountains under pressure, including images revealing the effects of climate change, natural disasters, hunger and out-migration on mountain communities and environments. Please send high resolution jpeg or tiff files to: [mountains.mps@gmail.com](mailto:mountains.mps@gmail.com)

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