



Peak to Peak: Mountain Partnership Newsletter

working together for mountain peoples and environments



Mountain session, SDG 15 Expert Group Meeting

The role of mountains as key providers of goods and services essential for global sustainable development was discussed during a dedicated session of the Expert Group Meeting (EGM) on Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 15 on Life on Land in New York on 15 May 2018. Andrew Taber, former Chair of the Mountain Partnership Steering Committee and Executive Director ...

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HIGHLIGHTS



Food and tourism in the Philippine Cordillera



Discussing mountain products at FICO Eataly



The Mountain Institute wins St Andrews Prize



Green economies surge in the Apennines

The Mountain Partnership Secretariat (MPS) together with [Slow Food](#) travelled to the Philippines on 7–17 May 2018 to explore the potential of a new pilot on food and tourism in the Philippine Cordillera region, aimed at promoting linkages between high-value mountain products and ecotourism services. The pilot would link the experiences gained with the Mountain Partnership Products (MPP) Initiative with that of Slow Food Travel, a model recently developed by Slow Food to sponsor travel itineraries that ...

As the custodian agency of Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) Target 15.4, the Mountain Partnership Secretariat (MPS) at the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) developed the official indicator, the Mountain Green Cover Index, for monitoring progress towards the achievement of this target. Baseline data developed for the Mountain Green Cover Index reveals that, as of 2017, 76 percent of the world's mountain areas were covered by a form of ...

[The Mountain Institute](#), a Mountain Partnership member, is the 2018 winner of the St Andrews Prize for the Environment. Their winning project integrates 2 000 years of indigenous knowledge of water management in the Andes with contemporary science and technology to create hybrid solutions that improve water security, support livelihoods, strengthen communities and increase ecosystem-wide resilience in mountain communities. Healthy mountain ecosystems help buffer the impacts of ...

The conference *La Green Economy Nella Regione Appenninica* (Green Economy in the Apennine region) was held at the University of Camerino on 22–23 May 2018, organized by [Eurac Research](#), in partnership with several organizations including the [Alpine Convention](#), in the framework of the Mountain Partnership. Attended by the Italian Minister of the Environment, Gian Luca Galletti, and Vice President of Slow Food, Sonia Chellini, the conference highlighted the transboundary ...

green vegetation,
including forests, ...

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FEATURED NEWS

- **Rotary Congress Sardegna**
- **Nominations open for Mountain Protection Award**
- **Expert review opportunity, IPCC special report**
- **Applying for ECOSOC consultative status**
- **Promoting mountain products at AdaptAmericas**
- **Adaptation in Central Asia mountain villages**

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **ForumAlpinum 2018**
Venue: Breitenwang, Austria
- **Mountain Futures 2018**
Venue: Yunnan, China
- **4th Sustainable Summits Conference**
Venue: Chamonix-Mont-Blanc, France
- **MRI Scoping Workshop and Networking Event**
Venue: Chamonix-Mont-Blanc, France
- **IPROMO 2018 Summer School: Bioeconomy in mountain areas**
Venue: Ormea and Pieve Tesino, Italy
- **1st European Symposium on Livestock Farming in Mountain Areas**
Venue: Bozen – Bolzano, Italy
- **High-level International Conference on the International Decade for Action, “Water for Sustainable Development”, 2018-2028**
Venue: Dushanbe, Tajikistan

PUBLICATION



Why Mountains Matter

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VIDEO



Il caldo africano di primavera anticipa la fusione della neve

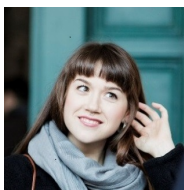
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MEMBERS

Currently, the Mountain Partnership has 335 members: 59 governments, 7 subnational authorities, 16 intergovernmental organizations and 253 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:

- [Energy for Sustainable Development \(E4SD\)](#)
- [Fundación Universitaria Juan de Castellanos](#)
- [Our Home – Manyava](#)
- [Rede Ibérica de Investigação de Montanha \(RIIM\)](#)
- [Rede Nacional de Investigação de Montanhas \(RNIM\)](#)

STAFFING CHANGES IN THE MOUNTAIN PARTNERSHIP SECRETARIAT



After two years of service to the Mountain Partnership Secretariat (MPS), Samantha Abear will be embarking on the next chapter of her career as of June 2018. We would like to thank Samantha for her support to the communication activities of the MPS and wish her success in her new work.

Mahnoor Malik joined the MPS in May and will work on the newsletter, social media and other communication activities.

CALL FOR NEWS

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

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