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Integrated management of Mediterranean coastal areas: How can we prevent biodiversity from being lost forever?

Symposium organised by the
French Presidency of the European Union
and the Mediterranean Union

18-19 December 2008
Nice – Palais de la Méditerranée

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

Wednesday 17 December:

Reception, participant registration and enrolment on themed workshops.

Thursday 18 December (opening to the press at opening speeches)

9.30 – 10.30 am – Plenary session: Opening speeches with Egyptian co-Presidency (Egyptian Environment Agency) – France (Director of Water and Biodiversity – Ministry for Ecology, Energy, Sustainable Development and Land Use)

- **9.00 to 9.30 am Opening speeches:**

- Christian Estrosi – Mayor of Nice or his representative;
- Michel Vauzelle – Chairman of the *Conseil Régional de Provence Alpes Côtes d'Azur* [Regional Council for Provence Alpes Côtes d'Azur] or his representative;
- Paul Mifsud – Mediterranean Action Plan Co-ordinator;
- Mohamed Farouk – Director General of Integrated Management of Lakes and Coastal Areas – Egyptian Environment Agency;
- Judith Jiguet – Director of Water and Biodiversity – Ministry for Ecology, Energy, Sustainable Development and Land Use;

10.30 am – Coffee

11.00 am – 1.00 pm – Plenary session: Introduction to policies and GIZC examples

- 10.30 am Integrated Management of Coastal Area within the European Union.
 - European Commission Representative;

- 10:45 am The biodiversity of the threatened Mediterranean coast and marine environment under pressure;
 - o Abderrahmen Gannoun – Director of the Regional Activities Centre "Specially-Protected Areas" within the Mediterranean Action Plan;
- 11.00 am The world's first Regional GIZC protocol: the GIZC protocol from the Barcelona Convention;
 - o Ivica Trumbic – Director of the Regional Activities Centre "Priority Action Programme" within the Mediterranean Action Plan;
 - o Michel Prieur – Scientific Director of CRIDEAU (*Centre de Recherches Interdisciplinaires en Droit de l'Environnement de l'Aménagement et de l'Urbanisme*) [Inter-discipline Research Centre in Laws governing the Land Use and Town Planning Environment];
- 11.30 am First lessons from GIZC pilot projects in the Mediterranean Basin – EU-SMAPIII Programme; Etienne Bajiot – Project Director
- 11:45 am GIZC experiences in Northern Europe – Host to be confirmed

12.30 – 2.30 pm: Lunch on site

2.30 – 5.30 pm: Themed workshops

- Workshop 1: "Sustainable Tourism"
Co-presidency: M. Beghoura (Director General of the National Coastguard – Algeria)/M. Bignon (Chairman of the Coastal Conservatoire – France)
- Workshop 2: "Integrated Management of Coastal Areas faced with Climate Change"
Co-presidency: M. Farouk (Director General of Integrated Management of Lakes and Coastal Areas – Egyptian Environment Agency – Egypt)/M. Thibault (Blue Plan – Mediterranean Action Plan)
- Workshop 3: "Players, Networks and Governance"
Co-presidency: M. Trumbic (CAR/PAP – Mediterranean Action Plan)/M. Jeudy de Grissac (UICN – Med)
- Workshop 4: "The Coast, Protected Areas and Ecological Continuity"
Co-presidency: M. Gannoun (CAR/ASP – Mediterranean Action Plan)/M. Fouda (Director of Nature Protection – Egyptian Environment Agency – Egypt)

Evening: Official Reception

Friday 19 December (press Open Day):

9.30 – 11.00 am: Plenary session: Introduction to workshop missions by reporters and debates

- Sustainable Tourism
- Integrated Management of Coastal Areas faced with Climate Change; Players, Networks and Governance; The Coast, Protected Areas and Ecological Continuity;

- Open debate

11.00 am – Coffee

11.30 am – Plenary session: Perspectives for the GIZC protocol and closing discussion between Egyptian and French representatives:

- Perspectives for actually applying the GIZC Protocol from the Barcelona Convention – Mohamed Ennabli – Republic of Tunisia's Former Environment Minister – President of the Marateb NGO
- Closing discussion:
- Mohamed Farouk – Director General of Integrated Management of Lakes and Coastal Areas – Egyptian Environment Agency;
- Jean Marc Michel – Director General for Land Use, Housing and Nature – Ministry for Ecology, Energy, Sustainable Development and Land Use;

12.30 – 2.00 pm: Lunch on site

2.00 – 5.00 pm: Site visit:

- Nice Observatory/Mont Vinaigrier