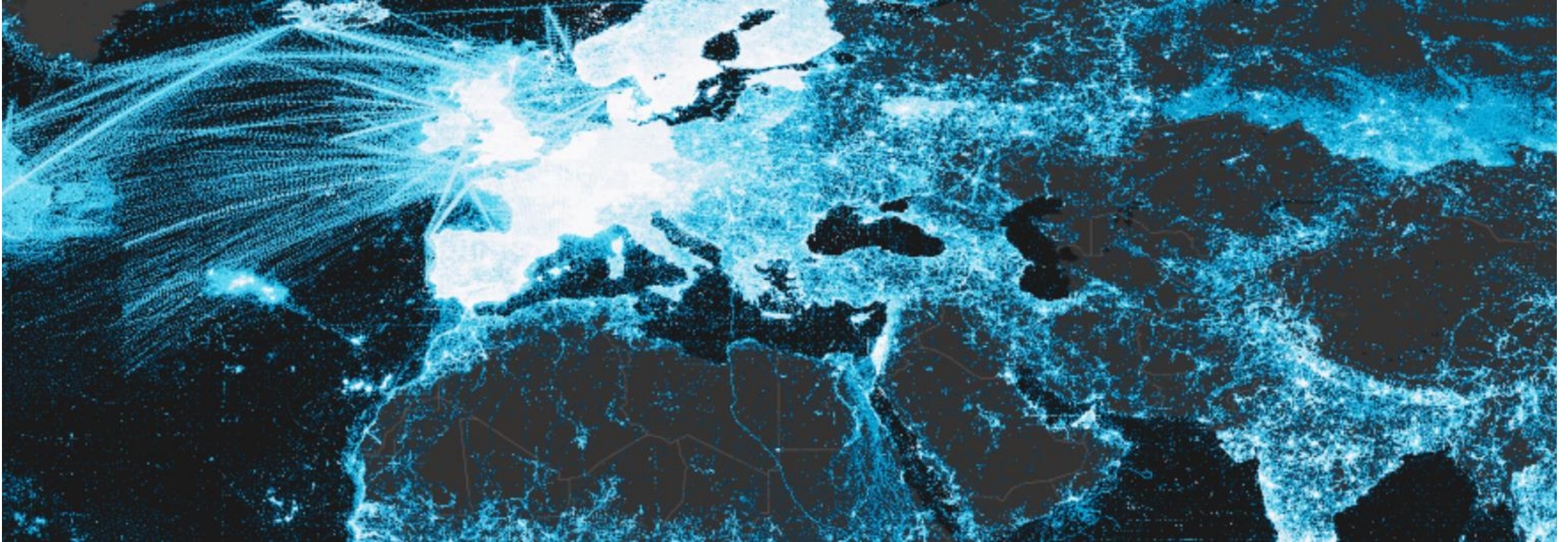




Main networks, projects, biodiversity conservation initiatives in the Mediterranean



Mercedes Muñoz Cañas

IUCN Center for Mediterranean Cooperation



Oct-1st 2021

The Mediterranean Basin is considered to be one of the most biodiverse regions



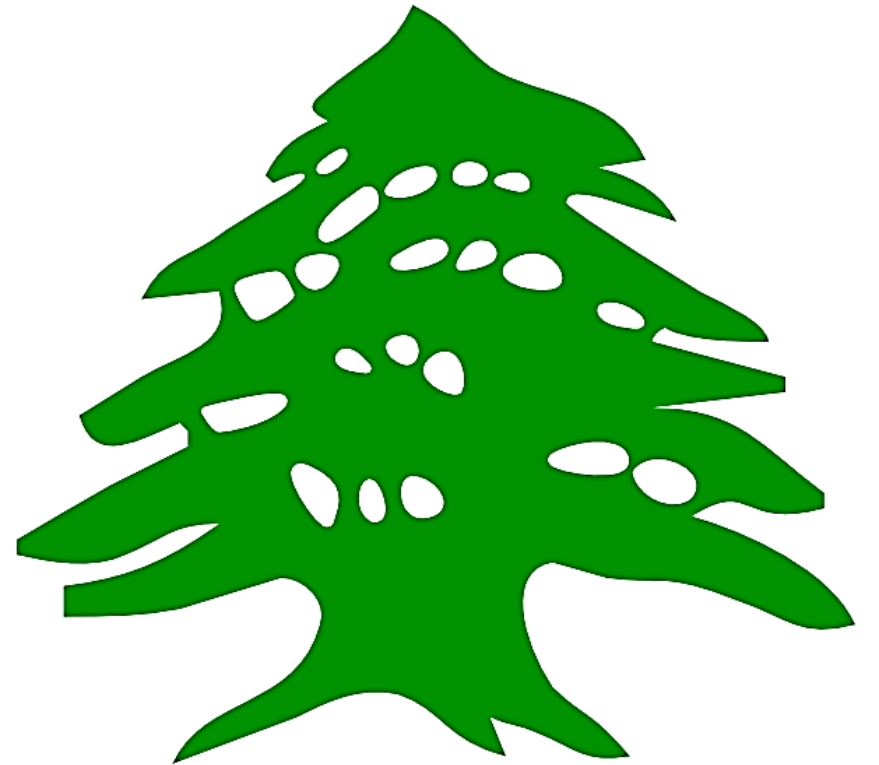
The facts

Largest concentrations of endemic plants in the world.

Home to 22,500 plant species,
including some 11,500 found nowhere else.

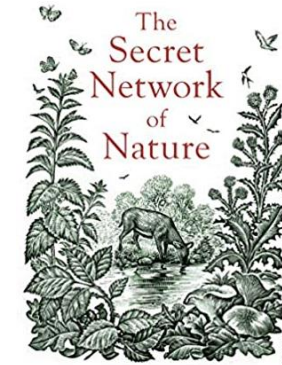
Symbolic and high-value tree species:

- Lebanon cedar
- The argan in southwestern Morocco
- The oriental sweet gum and Cretan date palm tree in Greece and Turkey

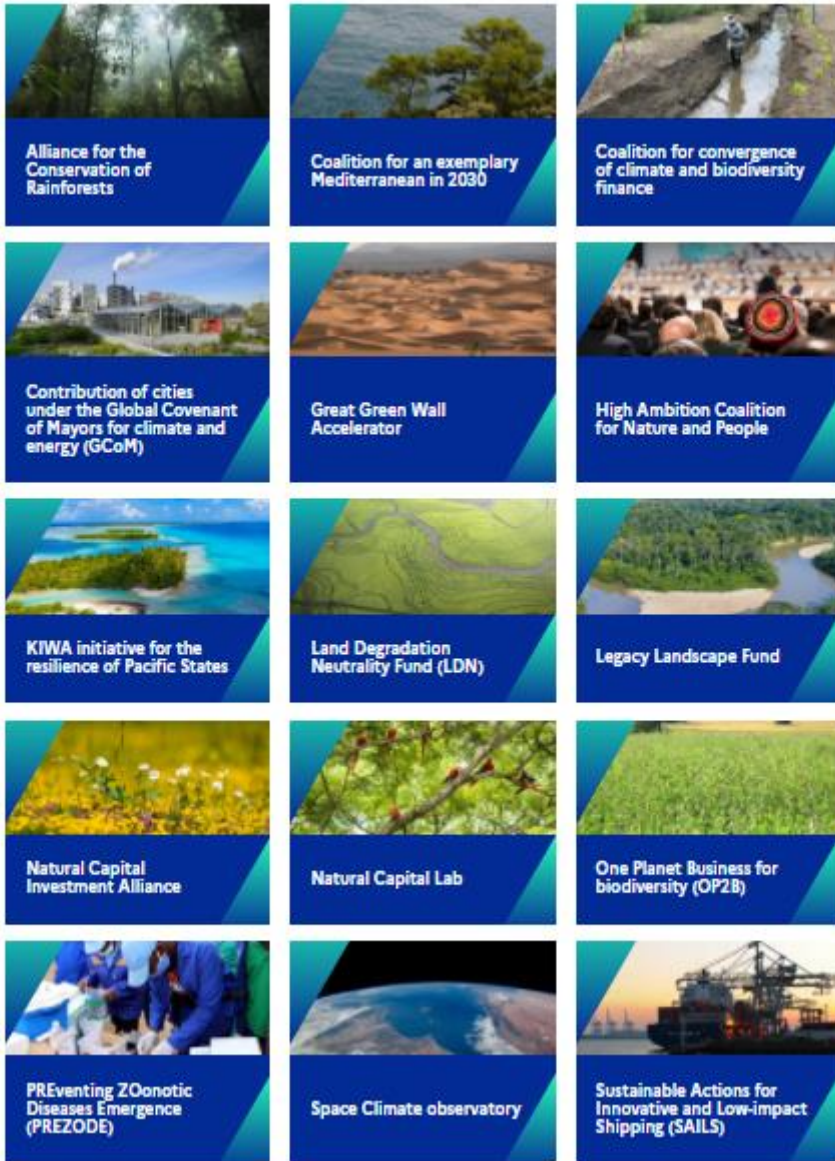


The need

	Barcelona Convention	Ramsar Convention	CITES Convention	Convention on Biological Diversity	Bern Convention	African Convention on the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources	Bonn Convention	Habitats Directive
Albania								
Algeria								
Bosnia & Herzegovina								
Croatia								
Cyprus								
Egypt								
Slovenia								
Spain								
France								
Greece								
Israel								
Italy								
Jordan								
Lebanon								
Libya								
Malta								
Morocco								
Monaco								
Montenegro								
Serbia								
Syria								
Palestinian Territories								
Tunisia								
Turkey								



Relevant International Conventions for Biodiversity Conservation in Mediterranean Countries



Since 2017, the One Planet Summit has contributed to reinventing **multilateralism**, intensifying **international cooperation** and taking tangible action for the planet.

The Global Strategy for Plant Conservation

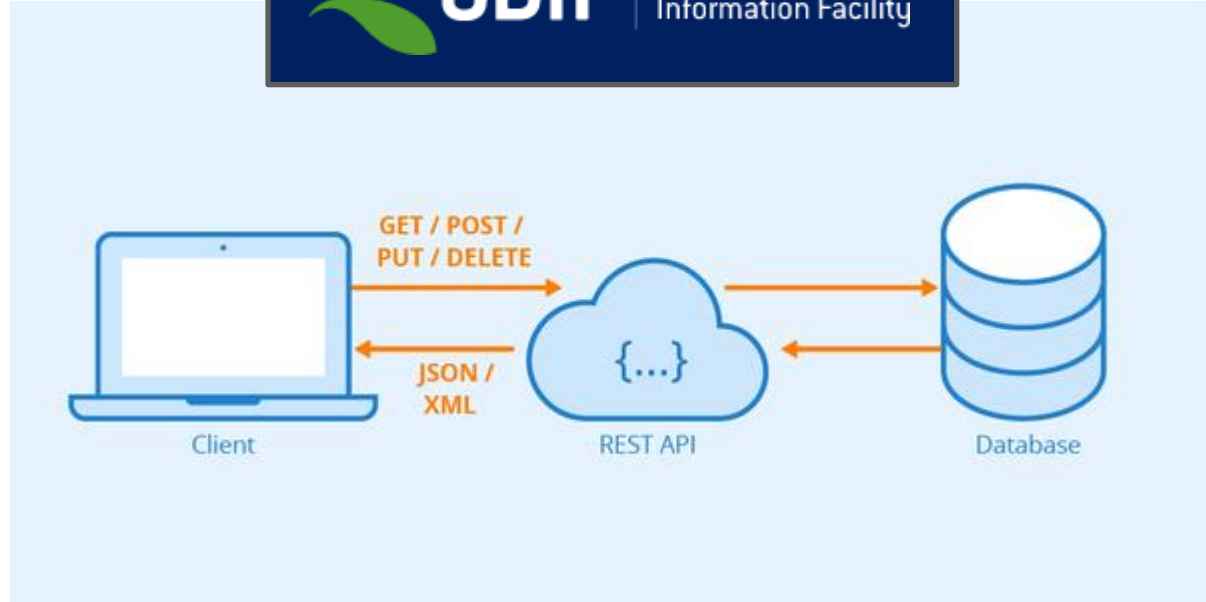
16 targets for plant conservation.

First adopted by CBD in 2002.

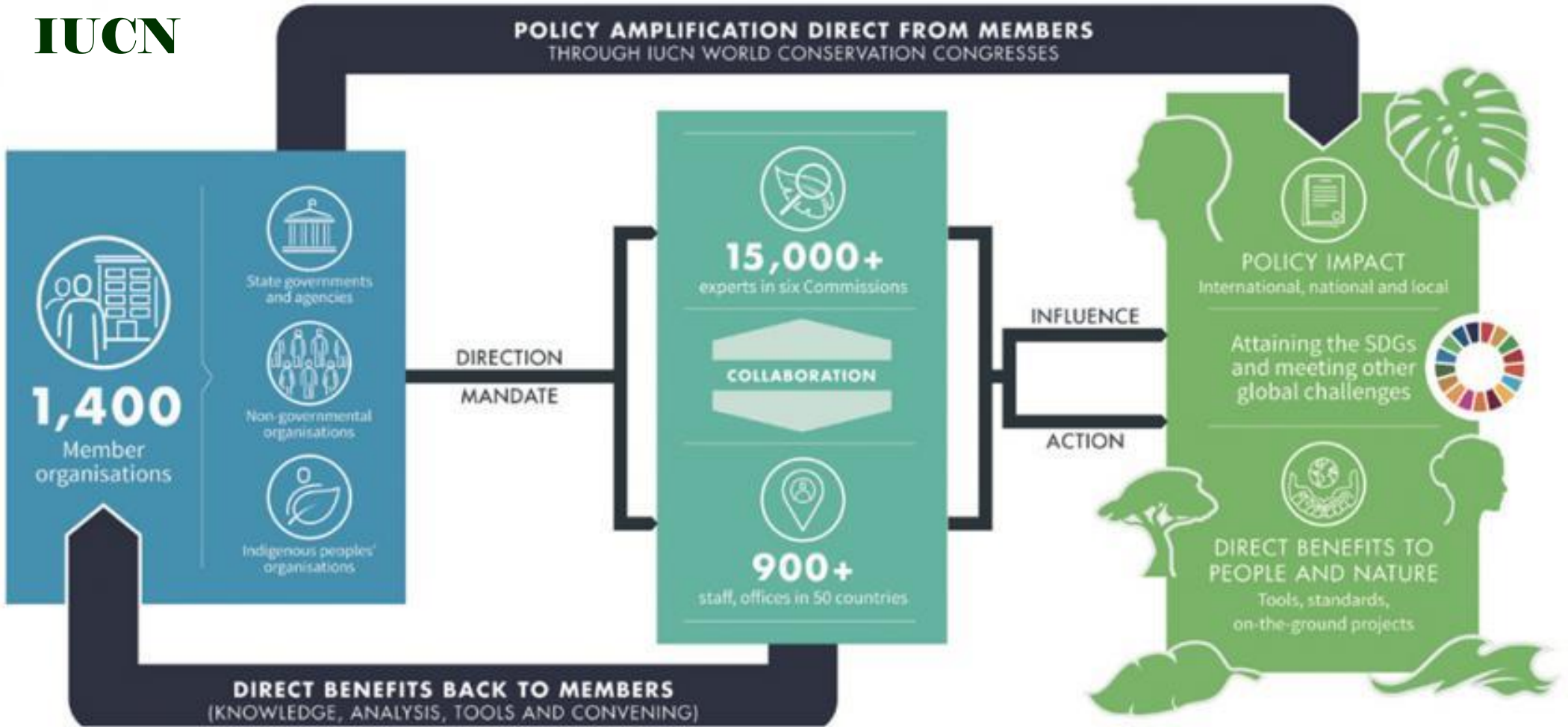
The GSPC targets were renewed and updated in 2010.

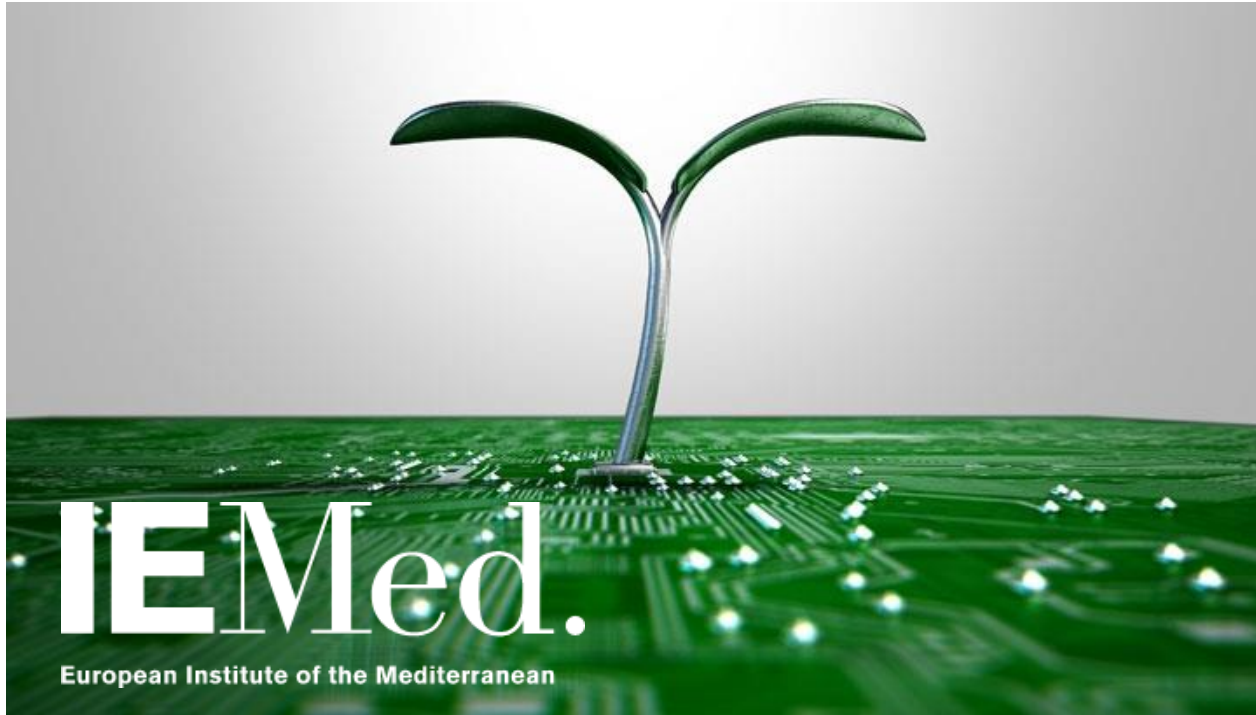


The Global Conservation Consortia



IUCN





Euro-Mediterranean engagement

Mediterranean Biodiversity Protection Knowledge Platform

YOUR GATE TO KNOWLEDGE AND SPATIAL DATA ON MEDITERRANEAN BIODIVERSITY PROTECTION AND MANAGEMENT

- Who**
Projects and people
- Maps**
Spatial data and viewers
- Library**
Documents and resources
- Topics**
Themes and lessons learnt
- How**
Instructions and data policy

MEDITERRANEAN BIODIVERSITY PROTECTION COMMUNITY



 Research and innovation	 SME competitiveness
 Environment and resource efficiency	 Low-carbon economy



Sharing solutions for better regional policies

Interreg Europe

European Union | European Regional Development Fund



ASSOCIATION
INTERNATIONALE
DES FORETS
MEDITERRANEENNES



Mediterranean consortium to protect biodiversity

- 1 To effectively protect and restore Mediterranean biodiversity.**
- 2 To identify, implement and promote Nature-based Solutions.**
- 3 To mobilise and support local communities to preserve natural resources and manage their impacts on health and quality of life.**



Main networks, projects and initiatives



Mediterranean Plant Specialist Group





Trees and shrubs natives of North Africa

Biodiversity and fight against
erosion and desertification

Explore the extraordinary biodiversity of north Africa



Thank you!

Mercedes Muñoz Cañas

IUCN-Med

Email: Mercedes.munoz@iucn.org

