



## Agenda - 19<sup>th</sup> October 2015

### Rich, beautiful and vulnerable – presenting the BEST ecosystem profiles of the EU Outermost Regions and Overseas Countries and Territories

Chair: Carole Martinez – BEST III Coordinator (IUCN)

Time	Agenda item	Speakers
9:30 – 10:00	Welcome and Introduction	Laure Ledoux - Deputy Head of the Biodiversity Unit (DG ENV)
10:00 – 15:45	Presentation of the outcomes from the 7 EU Overseas regional ecosystem profiles	EU overseas experts from each EU overseas region
10:00 – 10:20	<u>Caribbean region</u> <i>Fostering collaboration of nearly half of all EU overseas entities to maintain ecosystems healthy and attractive to more and more visitors</i>	Amandine Vaslet (RNSM/SPAW-RAC)
10:20 – 10:35	Discussion	All
10:35 – 10:55	<u>Macaronesian region</u> <i>Largest biodiversity reservoir of Europe: more than 5,600 endemics amongst 23,000 terrestrial and marine species</i>	Luisa Madruga (FRCT) Francisco Wallenstein (FRCT) José Azevedo (FRCT)
10:55 – 11:10	Discussion	All
11:10 – 11:30	<u>West Pacific region</u> <i>Challenges and rewards of being the stewards of bio-diversity of global importance with entities 2000 km apart</i>	Selma Haouet (CI/UICN Comité Français) Aurélie Bocquet (UICN Comité Français)
11:30 – 11:50	<u>East Pacific region</u> <i>Over 100 islands, 20% of the world's atolls and the most diverse coral reef formations prepare for climate change</i>	Flora Artzner (UICN Comité Français) Aurélie Bocquet (UICN Comité Français)
11:50 – 12:05	Discussion	All
12:05 – 12:25	<u>Indian Ocean region</u> <i>From uninhabited and pristine to crowded and severely threatened</i>	Léa Trifault (UICN Comité Français) Tanguy Nicolas (UICN Comité Français) Aurélie Bocquet (UICN Comité Français)
12:25 – 12:40	Discussion	All
12:40 – 14:00	LUNCH BREAK / NETWORKING	
14:00 – 14:20	<u>Amazonian region</u> <i>Valuing and protecting irreplaceable ecosystem services in Europe's Amazonian rainforest</i>	Anna Cohen (WWF France) Laurent Kelle (WWF France)
14:20 – 14:35	Discussion	All
14:35 – 14:55	<u>Polar/Sub-polar region</u> <i>Arctic and Antarctic: the most productive marine environments on the frontline of climate change</i>	Vincent Piton (TAAF)
14:55 – 15:10	Discussion	All
15:10 – 15:30	<u>South Atlantic region</u> <i>Continuous discoveries of unique species: research crucial to guide protection</i>	Maria Taylor (SAERI)
15:30 – 15:45	Discussion	All
15:45 – 16:15	COFFEE BREAK / NETWORKING (additional participants to join)	
16:15 – 16:45	Concluding remarks on the outcomes of the 7 regional ecosystem profiling works & Open discussion	Open discussion for all participants
16:45 – 17:15	Closing remarks	DG ENV / DEVCO Mr Ladislav MIKO - Deputy DG for the Food chain (DG SANTE)

CI – Conservation International

FRCT – Fundo Regional para a Ciência e Tecnologia

RNSM – Réserve Nationale Naturelle de Saint-Martin

SAERI – South Atlantic Environmental Research Institute

SPAW-RAC – Regional activity center for areas and species specially protected

TAAF – Territory of the French Southern and Antarctic Lands