

#### SIDE MEETING REGISTRATION



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## The side meetings will be attended on Thursday September 30 at 18:00.

## SD1. Economic of Ecosystems.

#### Led by Helen Noble.

Causeway Coast and Glens trustTo bring together like-minded colleagues of protected areas to share and develop information and potential projects ideas that demonstrate the economic value of protected areas through sustainable development principles and ecosystem services delivery approach. Presentations will be made to demonstrate good practice of the economic value of protected areas.

Discussion to take place on how we can utilise protected areas to become exemplars to good practice and key demonstration models to put the theory into practice.

### **SD2. PAME Protected Area Management Effectiveness.**

### Led by Marian Jager-Wöltgens and Eberhard Henne

The PAME report leads to the conclusion that within Europe there is a variety of quality systems and assessment methodologies. EUROPARC Federation has a chance here to develop a European assessment framework. How do we know if the management of our protected areas is effective in meeting its aims.? Are we measuring the right things? The side meeting is meant to give information on the PAME report and find members who are interested in developing a project on a European scale.

## SD3. Protected Areas and Natura 2000 Network

# Led by CED-PPN (European Centre of Documentation on Nature Park Planning, Politecnico di Torino. Professor Robert Gambino)

The proposed meeting should focus on the relationship between Parks and Protected Areas set up by national and regional governments of the whole Europe and Natura 2000 Network set up by European Union (27 countries). The debate may start from the results of a new research, still in progress by CED-PPN with the help of EUROPARC, which enlights such relationship taking into account divergences and overlaps of both systems. The debate on the involved problems will suggest further actions for a better coordination among nature conservation policies at the different levels.

#### **SD4. Marine matters**

## Led by Federparchi

With the marine protected areas woefully under designated what is the future of the marine and coastal ecosystems who are at the forefront of climate change. This meeting will consider current issues in the marine and coastal parks.

## SD5: War and Protected areas: witness from Democratic Republic of Congo Led by Federparchi

The Virunga National Park, founded in 1925, is the first national park created in Africa. On the border with Rwanda and Uganda, its unique wildlife includes the rare mountain gorilla. The Kahuzi-Biega National Park is a vast area of tropical forest and active volcanoes. Both are included on the UNESCO List of World Heritage in Danger. Because of the local and regional conflicts, parks suffer dramatically invasions, fires, illegal cutting and poaching. Every day rangers operate in an extremely complex and dangerous situation and, since 1994, hundreds of them have been killed.

Federparchi-Europarc Italia, with other Italian partners and the African Section of the International Federation Rangers, supports the rangers' families. The proposed meeting should testify these terrible reality and the heroic commitment of the local rangers.