



**Peak to Peak: Mountain Partnership Newsletter**

**November 2014**

working together for mountain peoples and environments



**Mountains to be featured at climate change summit**

Mountains and water will be the focus of a large exhibition and event space at the 20th session of the Conference of Parties (COP20) to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) in Lima, Peru, on 1-12 December 2014. Mountains and water are one of five topics that will be featured in discussions, exhibits and videos at five separate pavilions located at the Jockey Club del Peru, a few blocks from the COP20 venue. [Read More »](#)

**HIGHLIGHTS**



**A tool for sharing mountain management practices**

Ev-K2-CNR and the Mountain Partnership Secretariat will launch a Federation of Mountain Protected Areas (FMPA), which is open to Mountain Partnership members who would like to participate. The Federation will use an online tool that aims to support mountain protected areas around the world ...

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**Mountain Partnership members like joint action**

Mountain Partnership members expressed their interest in working with fellow members in an online survey conducted by the International Center of Insect Physiology and Ecology (ICIPE) in June 2014. Nearly all respondents, 50 out of 54, said they would like to participate in joint actions...

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**Argentinian wins prize for research on vicuñas**

Bibiana Vilá, Principal Researcher of Argentina's National Research Council (CONICET) and Director of Vicuñas, Camelids and Environment (VICAM) was awarded the 2014 Midori prize in September for her achievements in the conservation and sustainable use of vicuñas...

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**Mountain pictures to climb social networks**

Mountains will be in the foreground in the first half of December 2014 when the Municipality of Dénia in Spain holds a global photo contest on Instagram. "We love mountains and want the whole world to know how important they are," said Vicente Chelet of Dénia" explaining that the contest...

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## FEATURED NEWS

- **Medicinal plants help Nepal's mountain communities**
- **An MP tribute to family farming on World Food Day**
- **Partnering for mountains in The Philippines**
- **Argentina's Mountain Committee newsletter online**
- **An Indian alliance to market mountain products**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Mountain People Adapting to Change: Solutions Beyond Boundaries Bridging Science, Policy, and Practice**  
Venue: Kathmandu, Nepal  
From: 09.11.2014 TO: 12.11.2014
- **Integrated Space Technology Applications for Sustainable Development in the Mountain Regions of Andean Countries**  
Venue: Quito, Ecuador  
From: 10.11.2014 TO: 14.11.2014
- **IUCN World Parks Congress**  
Venue: Sidney, Australia  
From: 12.11.2014 TO: 19.11.2014
- **Sixth Mountain Cinema Meeting**  
Venue: Gap, France  
From: 13.11.2014 TO: 15.11.2014
- **Good living in the Alps! Creative responses to the scarcity of resources**  
Venue: Annecy, France  
From: 13.11.2014 TO: 15.11.2014

## PUBLICATION



Poverty and Vulnerability Assessment – A survey instrument for the Hindu Kush Himalayas

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## VIDEO



Constantí Sotelo, 75 años, toda una vida dedicada a la música y su enseñanza. Corre todos los días por su montaña cercana, Collserola en Barcelona, que es una auténtica inspiración para él.  
#welovemountains.

[Watch](#)

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## Share your International Mountain Day plans

As for every year, we encourage members to communicate to us their planned 2014 celebrations. Please send your plans before the event and news and photos after it has taken place to [diletta.deleonardis@fao.org](mailto:diletta.deleonardis@fao.org)

## NEW MEMBERS

As of October 2014, there were 232 members of the Mountain Partnership: 53 governments, 14 intergovernmental organizations and 165 major group organizations (e.g. civil society, NGOs and the private sector). We welcome the following new members. Please feel free to contact them for possible collaborative projects and ideas.

- [Centro de Investigação de Montanha - CIMO](#)
- [Province of Negros Occidental](#)
- [Integrated Mountain Initiative \(formerly Indian Mountain Initiative\)](#)

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## CALL FOR NEWS

Keep other Mountain Partnership members informed about your activities! Please send us info about new

projects and programmes, initiatives, events, publications, newsletters, vacancies and calls for papers. We would like to receive and share your pictures and videos of mountain communities and environments – please send them to: [mountains.mps@gmail.com](mailto:mountains.mps@gmail.com)

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