



4th World Congress of Biosphere Reserves

A New Vision for the Decade 2016-2025: UNESCO Biosphere Reserves for Sustainable Development

Date: 14 – 17 March 2016

Place: Lima, Peru

HONORARY COMMITTEE

- Hon. Mr. Ollanta Humala, President of Peru
- Hon. Ms. Irina Bokova, Director-General of UNESCO
- Hon. Ms. Ana María Sánchez de Ríos, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Peru
- Hon. Mr. Manuel Pulgar-Vidal, Minister of Environment of Peru
- Hon. Mr. Luis Castañeda Lossio, Mayor of Lima
- Hon. Mr Michael Worbs, Chairperson of the Executive Board of UNESCO

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

- Mr. Sergio Guevara Sada (Mexico), President of the International Coordinating Council (ICC) of the MAB Programme
- H.E. Mr. José Manuel Rodríguez Cuadros, Ambassador, Permanent Delegate of the Republic of Peru to UNESCO
- Ms. Flavia Schlegel, Assistant Director General for Natural Sciences of UNESCO
- Mr. Han Qunli, Director of the Division of Ecological and Earth Sciences and Secretary of the Man and the Biosphere (MAB) Programme
- Mr. Pedro Gamboa Moquillaza, Director of the National Service of State-Protected Natural Areas (SERNANP) of the Ministry of Environment of Peru and President of the Peruvian MAB Committee
- Mr. Daniel Amlalo, Vice President of the ICC (Ghana)
- Mr. Pavlo Cherinko, Vice President of the ICC (Ukraine)
- Mr. Roman Jashenko, Vice President of the ICC (Kazakhstan)
- Ms. Boshra Salem, Vice President of the ICC (Egypt)
- Mr. Martin Price, Rapporteur of the ICC (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

- Mr Pedro Leon, Administrative Director of SERNANP
- Mrs. Rosario Barrera, Technical Secretary of the Peruvian MAB Committee, SERNANP
- Mr. Miguel Clüsener-Godt, Senior Programme Specialist, International Secretariat of the MAB Programme
- Ms. Magali Robalino Campos, UNESCO Representative in Peru
- Ms. María Rosa Cárdenas Tomazic, International Secretariat of the MAB Programme
- Mr. Ignacio Cancino, UNESCO Office in Lima
- Mr. Alberto Hernández Salinas, International Secretariat of the MAB Programme
- Mrs. Kremena Nikolova, International Secretariat of the MAB Programme
- Mr. Jonathan Baker, UNESCO Office in Montevideo
- Mr. Jorge Ellis, UNESCO Office in Quito

AGENDA

MONDAY 14 - DAY 1

- 08:00-10:00 Registration and collection of working documents
- 10:00-11:30 Opening ceremony presided over by the President of the Republic of Peru
- Art performance
- Opening speeches:
- Hon. Ms. Flavia Schlegel, Assistant Director General for Natural Sciences of UNESCO
 - Hon. Mr. Luis Castañeda Lossio, Mayor of Lima
 - Hon. Sergio Guevara Sada, President of the International Coordinating Council (ICC) of the MAB Programme
 - Mr. Gastón Acurio Jaramillo, Peruvian chef and ambassador of Peruvian cuisine
 - Hon. Ms. Ana María Sánchez de Ríos, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Peru
 - Hon. Mr. Manuel Pulgar-Vidal, Minister of Environment of Peru
 - Hon. Mr. Ollanta Humala, President of Peru
- 11:30-11:45 Coffee Break
- 11:45-12:00 Keynote speech on biosphere reserves in view with the Sustainable Development Goals and the United Nations Conference on Climate Change (COP21) agreements
- 12:00-12:15 The MAB Programme in Peru and its importance for the sustainable development of the country. *Keynote speech by Mr. Pedro Gamboa Moquillaza, Director of the National Service of State-Protected Natural Areas (SERNANP)*
- 12:15-13:00 Screening of a documentary film on natural areas in Peru
- 13:00-15:00 Lunch
- 15:00-16:30 Plenary session:
- Presentation of the five working papers based on the 5 Strategic Action Areas of the MAB Strategy. *Mr. Han Qunli, Director of the Division of Ecological and Earth Sciences, and Secretary of the Man and the Biosphere (MAB) Programme of UNESCO*
 - a) The World Network of Biosphere Reserves (WNMR): effective functioning model sites for sustainable development
 - b) Inclusive, dynamic and results-oriented collaboration and networking within MAB and the WNBR
 - c) Effective external partnerships and sufficient and sustainable funding for MAB and the WNBR
 - d) Comprehensive, modern, open and transparent communication, information and data sharing
 - e) Effective governance of and within MAB and the WNBR (new MAB Strategy)
 - Presentation of the Draft Lima Action Plan (LAP) for UNESCO's Man and the Biosphere (MAB) Programme and its World Network of Biosphere Reserves 2016-2025 (MAB Strategy Group Rapporteur)

- Additional comments on the Lima Action Plan. Mr. *Sergio Guevara Sada, President of the International Coordinating Council (ICC) of the MAB Programme*

- 16:30-18:30 Presentation of ten biosphere reserves case studies, 2 per region (10 mins): AfriMAB, ArabMAB, MAB networks in Asia, EuroMaB, IberoMAB
- 18:30-18:45 Screening of a documentary film on biosphere reserves in Peru
- 19:00-20:30 Welcoming cocktail for all participants with local products from Peru

TUESDAY 15 - DAY 2

- 09:00-9:30 Plenary session: Introduction to the 3 series of workshops
- 9:30-11:00 7 Workshops of the MAB Regional Networks on the working papers and the Draft Lima Action Plan.
- AfriMAB: Chair: Daniel Amlalo (Ghana)
 - ArabMAB
 - East Asian Biosphere Reserve Network
 - EuroMAB: Chair: Gordana Beltram (Slovenia), Toomas Kokovkin (Estonia) and Timo Hokkanen (Finland)
 - IberoMAB: Chair: Sergio Guevara Sada (Mexico)
 - PacMAB & SeaBRnet: Chair: Shabaz Kahn (UNESCO)
 - SACAM: Chair: Dr. Fazel (Iran)
- 11:00-11:30 Coffee break
- 11:30-13:00 Continuation of the 7 Workshops of the MAB Regional Networks on the working papers and the Draft Lima Action Plan.
- 13:00-15:00 Lunch
- 15:00-16:00 7 Workshops on specific themes on the working documents and the Lima Action:
- Climate Change
 - Mountains: Chair: Martin Price (United Kingdom)
 - Drylands: Chair: Boshra Salem (Egypt)
 - Forests: Chair: Martí Boada (Spain)
 - Urban Areas: Chair: Sergio Guevara (Mexico)
 - Islands and Coastal Zones: Chair: Dai-Yeun Jeong (Republic of Korea)
 - Ecological restoration Plan: Chair: Paul Smith (United Kingdom), Han Qunli (UNESCO)
- 16:00-16:30 Coffee break
- 16:30-18:00 Continuation of the 7 Workshops on specific themes
- 18:00 Poster session

WEDNESDAY 16 – DAY 3

- 09:00-11:00 7 Workshops on specific themes in the working documents and the Draft Lima Action Plan:
- Governance

- Economics in and around BR: Chair: Colin Campbell (United Kingdom)
 - Scientific networking: Chair: Miren Onaindia (Spain), Martin Price (United Kingdom)
 - Youth engagement: Chair: Eve Ferguson (Canada)
 - The 'biosphere reserve' brand: Chair: Kari Natland (Norway)
 - Tourism: Chair: Michael Meyer (Germany)
 - Energy and extractive industry
- 11:00-11:30 Coffee break
- 11:30-12:30 Continuation of the 7 Workshops on specific themes
- 12:30-14:30 Lunch
- 14:30-16:00 Side events (see table attached):
- Transboundary biosphere reserves and international cooperation in biosphere reserves Chair
 - Synergies between multidesignations in biosphere reserves: Chair: Hiroyuki Matsuda
 - The Silk Road: A Transcontinental Biosphere Reserves Network: Chair: Shahbaz Khan
 - Private Sector Partnerships: Chair: Ricard Fornesa
 - Learning for sustainable development in UNESCO biosphere reserves: Chair: Lutz Möller
 - Cultural And Biological Diversity In Biosphere Reserves: Chairs: Bahar Mohammadi, Peter Bridgewater
 - Designing Interdisciplinary University Courses for Biosphere Reserves: Chair: Laura Loucks
- 16:00-16:30 Coffee break
- 16:30-18:00 Side events (see table attached):
- Transboundary biosphere reserves and international cooperation in biosphere reserves
 - Environmental Education in Peruvian Biosphere Reserves: Chair: Pedro Leon Nieto
 - Collaboration between Biosphere Reserves and UNESCO Chairs-Category II Centres
 - Gender Equality: Chair: Beni Rodriguez
 - Contribution of International Organizations and Cooperation Agencies to the Implementation of the Mesoamerican Biological: Chair: Natarajan Ishwaran
 - Partnerships with Indigenous People in Biosphere Reserves to achieve SDGs: The Example of Canadian Biosphere Reserves
- 19:00 Cultural event

THURSDAY 17 - DAY 4

- 09:00-11:00 Plenary session: Presentation and discussion of the results of the workshops and on the Draft Lima Action Plan.
- 11:00-11:30 Coffee break
- 11:30-13:00 Continuation of the presentation and discussion of the Draft Lima Action Plan
- 13:00-15:00 Lunch

- 15:00-17:00 Endorsement of the Lima Action Plan
Implementation of the Lima Action Plan: Roadmap
Lima Declaration
- 17:00-18:00 Closing Ceremony
- Hon. Ms. Flavia Schlegel, Assistant Director General for Natural Sciences of UNESCO,
 - Hon. Mr Michael Worbs, Chairperson of the Executive Board of UNESCO
 - Hon. Mr. Manuel Pulgar-Vidal, Minister of Environment of Peru.
- 18:00-19:00 Farewell cocktail

FRIDAY 18 - DAY 5

Sightseeing tours around Lima for congress attendees who are **not members of the ICC**

- 04:30 Departure to Paracas
- 07:00 Departure to Pachacamac
- 08:30 Departure to the city of Lima



XXVIII. INTERNATIONAL COORDINATING COUNCIL OF THE MAB PROGRAMME

FRIDAY 18 - DAY 5

- 09:15-09:45 MAB Bureau Meeting of the out-going members (private session)
- 10:00-11:40 Plenary Session of the International Coordinating Council
- Agenda Items:
1. Opening of the meeting
 - Ms Flavia Schlegel, Representative of the Director General of UNESCO, Assistant Director General for Natural Sciences of UNESCO
 - Hon. Mr Michael Worbs, Chairperson of the Executive Board of UNESCO
 2. Report of the outgoing President: Mr Sergio Guevara Sada (Mexico)
 3. Election of the Bureau members of the Council
 4. Adoption of the agenda and timetable
 5. Report of the Secretary on programmes and activities since the 27th session of the ICC:
 - Mr. Han Qunli, Director of the Division of Ecological and Earth Sciences, and Secretary of the Man and the Biosphere (MAB) Programme
- 11:40-12:00 Coffee break
- 12:00-13:30 6. Report by Regions
7. Reports by Countries
- 13:30-15:00 Lunch
- 15:00-17:20 Continuation of point 6 - 7
- 17:20-17:40 Coffee break
- 17:40-18:00 8. MAB Young Scientists Awards
9. Michel Batisse Award
- 18:00-19:00 MAB Bureau Meeting (private session)
- 19:30 Welcoming dinner

SATURDAY 19 - DAY 6

- 08:00-09:45 MAB Bureau Meeting (private session)
- 10:00-11:40 10. Proposals for new Biosphere Reserves
11. Periodic reviews of biosphere reserves
12. Update on Exit Strategy
- 11:40-12:00 Coffee break
- 12:00-13:30 13. Discussion on the Lima Action Plan and the Lima Declaration

- 13:30-15:00 Lunch
15:00-18:00 14. Adoption of the Lima Action Plan
15. Date and venue of the 29th session of the ICC
16. Other issues
17. Adoption of the Report
18. Closing ceremony by Hon. Mr Michael Worbs, Chairperson of the Executive Board of UNESCO and Mr. Han Qunli, Director of the Division of Ecological and Earth Sciences, and Secretary of the Man and the Biosphere (MAB) Programme.

SUNDAY 20 - DAY 7

Sightseeing tours for ICC members

- 04:30 Departure to Paracas
07:00 Departure to Pachacamac
08:30 Departure to the city of Lima

SOCIAL EVENTS

(1) Lima sightseeing tour

A sightseeing visit to the city of Lima will be offered to Congress participants by the City of Lima. It will consist of a guided tour in Spanish and English in special designated buses, which will collect participants at the Conference Centre at 16:00 and leave them at the theatre in time for the cultural event.

(2) Cultural event: To be defined.

Attendees should arrive 15 minutes before the start of the event. The transfer of the attendees will be made by buses, at the end of the sightseeing tour. Attendees will need to present their invitation to enter the venue. This event is offered by the Congress organizers.

(3) Cocktail

On Monday 14 March the organizers will offer a welcome cocktail and on Thursday 17 a farewell cocktail to the participants, (venue to be defined).

(4) Dinner

On Friday 18 March the organizers will offer a Welcome Dinner to all the ICC participants, (venue to be defined).

(5) Tours

Participants may choose one of three different tours and will be asked to confirm their choice at registration. At each site of interest, the responsible institution will welcome the participants and offer a visit programme. In all cases, specialized guides will offer a tour in Spanish and English. This activity is made possible by the kind contribution of (to be defined).

