

Eurosite Annual Meeting 2022

Larnaca, Cyprus, 8-10 November

Programme



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Venue: Lordos Beach Hotel & Spa
Dhekelia Road, Larnaca, Larnaca, 7081

Tuesday 8 November

Cyprus Local Time

Morning: Arrival at location

13:00 Registration and Welcome Lunch

14:00 Open Plenary - Annual Meeting

- Welcome by the President
- Eurosite Strategy - nature restoration in Europe
- International Land Conservation Network - nature restoration in the US
- Signing of the Friendship Agreement with Greifswald Mire Centre
- Official launch of Policy Paper on Coastal Adaptation to Climate Change

16:30 General Assembly and Council meeting:

[Closed for Eurosite members only]

- Election of Council members, membership fees 2023, finances

17:00 Knowledge Market

- Open presentations by Eurosite working groups, partners, EU-funded projects

19:00 Welcome Dinner

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09:00 Nature Restoration: From policy to practice-workshop

The alarming rate of decline in biodiversity and ecosystem health worldwide has spurred national and global organisations to action. To prevent, halt and reverse the ongoing decimation of the natural habitats on which we all depend for survival, the United Nations has declared the period 2021-2030 as the UN Decade for Ecosystem Restoration. At the same time, as a result of the 2030 Biodiversity Strategy commitment, the European Commission has proposed a Nature Restoration Regulation, which aims to halt biodiversity loss in Europe by fundamentally changing the way we use our land, rivers and seas. Bringing together key stakeholders - representatives from the scientific community, policy makers, land managers, farmers and private landowners - this workshop seeks to answer two key questions: "Where are we now?" and "How can we move forward together?"

13:00 Lunch

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14:00 Parallel Workshop Sessions

1. *Protected areas management effectiveness (PAME)*

The EU Biodiversity Strategy 2030 states that "all protected areas in the EU should have clearly defined conservation objectives and measures." Unfortunately, reality still looks different. Despite available guidance, many Natura 2000 sites are still in an inadequate conservation status. Currently, there is a lack of facilitated exchange of experience and exemplary case studies in Natura 2000 management. A structured exchange at the international level is urgently needed to promote the adoption of best practices. This workshop will present and discuss examples from different EU Member States of best practices in effective area management. How do you manage a protected area effectively, with limited resources and vulnerable stakeholders? How can the Eurosite Management Toolkit help site managers?

2. *Private land conservation tools - LIFE ENPLC*

The workshop on private land conservation tools, hosted by the LIFE ENPLC (European Networks for Private Land Conservation) project, will introduce participants to five of the main conservation agreements used throughout Europe: conservation easements, land stewardship, safe harbour agreements / temporary nature, conservation leases and privately protected areas. An overview will be shown of tools linked to interesting case studies from across Europe. The presentation will be followed by a practical workshop where participants will apply the knowledge presented to the local case studies to be visited on Friday's field trip.

18:00 Networking Dinner

19:00 EuroCocktail

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Thursday, 10th November

08:00 Thematic Field Visits

- The importance of wetland and private land management
- Nature conservation in rural areas

13:00 Field lunch and return to hotel

14: 00 Wrap Up and Outlook

