

Mediterranean Stakeholder Forum on Environment and Climate Action

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(draft) AGENDA

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Registration for remote participation: <https://forms.gle/FknWNVL6x9aAx7yW8>

21 October

Time: Egypt local time

Timing	Sessions
9:00-9:30	Registration
9:30-9:45	Welcome and Opening: Purpose and Expected Outcomes
9:45-10:30	High-Level Opening Remarks
10:30-11:00	Session 1: Climate and Environment in the Mediterranean – Evidence and Emerging Trends [presentations]
11:00-11:30	<i>Group photo and coffee break</i>
11:30-12:30	Session 2: Mediterranean Policy Frameworks - Responding to Today’s Climate and Environmental Challenges [panel discussion] Q&A
12:30-13:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00-15:10	Session 3: Optimising synergies and managing trade-offs (the WEFE nexus within the S2S continuum, integrated management approaches) Presentations and panel showcases with experts, stakeholder groups, and projects Q&A
15:10-15:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
15:30-15:45	Session 4: Working better together: examples on integrated planning with civil society engagement [parallel sessions] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Team Europe Initiatives in Jordan, Egypt, Tunisia, and Lebanon MedProgramme’s efforts across sectors and along the spatial continuum
15:45-16:30	Session 5: Parallel Open and Closed sessions (Three Meeting Rooms) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth Session (open) Med ESD Committee Meeting (closed) Journalists session (open)
16:30-17:30	
19:15	<i>Departure from Hotel for Organized Dinner (All Participants)</i>

22 October

8:30-9:00	Sign-in
9:00-10:30	Session 6: Advancing Education for Sustainable Development to Drive Transformative Change at the Individual, Institutional, and Collective Levels ESD is instrumental in achieving all SDGs, with key contributions from stakeholder groups such as youth, women, educators, media, policymakers and local authorities.
10:30-11:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:00-12:00	Session 7: From Headlines to Action: How Traditional and New Media Shape Climate Behaviour A panel of journalists, communicators, and NGO representatives explores how media can drive climate awareness, reach marginalized communities, and spur action.
12:00-13:00	Session 8: Untangling the Plastics Crisis: Responsibility, Complexity, and Science-Based Solutions Presentation followed by an interactive discussion.
13:00-14:30	<i>Lunch break - Closed meeting of COMPSUD (Circle of Mediterranean Parliamentarians for Sustainable Development)</i>
14:30-15:30	Session 9: The Multifaceted Role of Parliamentarians and Local Authorities Facilitated panel discussion with Q&A.
15:30-15:45	<i>Coffee break</i>
15:45-16:30	Session 10: Nature Under Threat: How Civil Society and Local Communities Can Drive Biodiversity Solutions Facilitated panel discussion with participants' engagement.
16:30-17:30	Session 11: Parallel Open and Closed sessions (Three Meeting Rooms) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NGOs session (open) Drafting of recommendations (small meeting room) Other (tbd)
	<i>No Official Programme -Evening Free</i>

23 October

8:30-9:00	Sign-in
9:00-10:30	Session 12: Applying Gender-Transformative Approaches in Mediterranean Civil Society Environmental and Climate Action Panelists and participants share experiences, insights and lessons learned, and co-create recommendations for the way forward.
10:30-11:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:00-11:45	Session 13: Impact Amid Uncertainty - Civic Space, Finance and Digital Transformation An intergenerational, multi-sectoral panel on sustaining impact despite growing challenges.
11:45-13:00	Forum Outcomes: Key Recommendations and Target Audiences Closing
13:00-14:30	<i>Lunch break</i>
	<i>Optional cultural experience for participants departing the next day (tbd)</i>