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Connecting Youth and Mountains, Creating a lively Future

Mountains cover 27% of the world surface, provide 60 to 80% of all freshwater resources for our planet and are biodiversity hotspots. These unique and complex environments host of nearly 1 billion people globally and are currently under pressure by the changes taking place at the global level. There is a need to promote new sustainable development models able to protect these unique and fragile environments while at the same time promoting innovative processes in order to guarantee the livelihood of local communities.

- How can we raise young people's awareness of what mountains offer from an environmental point of view as well as in terms of sustainable social and economic opportunities?
- How can we develop an educational model for and about mountains, capable of empowering local communities and promoting innovation in mountain areas?
- How to promote the valorisation of mountain cultural and natural heritage?

With these questions in mind, UNIMONT - detachment of the University of Milan entirely dedicated to the development of mountain areas and located in a small municipality in the heart of the Alps - promotes the event "Connecting Youth and Mountains, Creating a Lively Future", final step of the Youth4Mountains open consultation which involved more than 100 youths coming from 28 different countries for the creation of the Mountain Education and Innovation Manifesto.

MORNING SESSION

11.00 - 13.00 GMT+4 (09.00 - 11.00 CET)

Last event of the **Youth4Mountains Series** (involving youth from 16 to 29 years): an open consultation to create the Mountain Education and Innovation Manifesto.

Register to the last consultation: https://survey.zohopublic.eu/zs/oxBzXf



15.00 - 18.00 GMT+4 (13.00 - 16.00 CET)

"Connecting Youth and Mountains, Creating a Lively Future": the event will contribute to raise awareness on the role of education for the future of mountain areas, with the direct and proactive involvement of young people to promote a sustainable and lively future in mountain areas.

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11.00 | Institutional greetings

• Antonella Baldi - Deputy Rector for Internationalization, University of Milan

11.10 | YOUTH IN ACTION: FISHBOWL

Moderator: Antonella Baldi - Deputy Rector for Internationalization, University of Milan

- Adele Zaini United Mountains of Europe
- Yuri Basilicò Founder, Va' Sentiero
- Sabrina Apa Vice President of Kite Association German Teacher
- Nicolò Lanfranchi Mountain Hacker (European Mountain Hack)

11.30 | Youth in action: Working table

Last event of the Youth4Mountains Series, an open consultation to create the Mountain Education and Innovation Manifesto (MEIM) for the promotion of a sustainable and lively future in mountain areas.

Moderators:

- Stefano Sala, University of Milan UNIMONT
- Ilaria G. Neirotti, University of Milan UNIMONT

Working table for the redaction of the MEIM

- Climate change
- Biodiversity
- Interconnection, virtual and physical mobility
- Entrepreneurship and innovation.

12.50 ICONCLUSION

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15.00 | Institutional Greetings

• Marina Carini - Deputy Rector with responsibilities for the Third Mission, Cultural activities and Social impact, University of Milan

15.10 | Connecting Youth and Mountains: science and network for lively mountain areas

Moderator: Marina Carini - Deputy Rector with responsibilities for the Third Mission, Cultural activities and Social impact, University of Milan

Speakers:

- Rosalaura Romeo Programme Officer, Mountain Partnership Secretariat FAO
- Marie Clotteau Director, Euromontana European Association for Mountain Areas
- & Blandine Camus Communication and Policy Officer, Euromontana
- Bernat Claramunt López Coordinator, NEMOR Network for European Mountain Research -Researcher, CREAF - Autonomous University of Barcelona
- Raffaella Balzarini Responsible for international cooperation and scientific valorisation, Labex ITTEM, **UGA Grenoble Alps University**
- Giorgio Vacchiano Associate Professor, University of Milan Department of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences
- Irene Bollati Researcher, University of Milan Department of Earth Sciences
- Guglielmina Diolaiuti & Maurizio Maugeri Professors, University of Milan Department of Environmental Science and Policy
- Corrado Camera Researcher, University of Milan Department of Earth Sciences "Ardito Desio"
- Andrea Zerboni Associate Professor, University of Milan Department of Earth Sciences "Ardito Desio"
- Lino Zani Mountain Expert, Communication Coordinator Project Adamello 270 ADA 270 (involving RL, FLA, Mountain Community Valle Camonica, University of Milan - Bicocca, Land & Cogeo) - Member of the Technical Scientific Table for Mountain areas (TTS) established by the Italian Minister for Regional and Autonomous Affairs

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16.30 | Connecting youth and mountains: education, innovation and policy for SUSTAINABLE LIVING

Welcome Greetings:

• Claudia Sorlini - Vicepresident, Fondazione Cariplo - Emeritus Professor, University of Milan

Discussants:

- Marina Carini Deputy Rector with responsibilities for the Third Mission, Cultural activities and Social impact, University of Milan
- Antonella Baldi, Deputy Rector for Internationalization, University of Milan

Speakers:

- Alessandro Panza Member of the Regional Development Commission of the European Parliament - Delegate of RUMRA - The European Parliament Intergroup on Rural, Mountainous and Remote Areas & Smart Villages
- Raffaele Cattaneo Minister for Environment and Climate of Lombardy Region EUSALP Italian Regions coordination
- Marcella Gargano Director General for University Education, Inclusion and the Right to Study, Italian Ministry of University and Research
- Anna Giorgi Rector's Delegate for the promotion of teaching, research and third mission for the enhancement of the mountain areas, University of Milan - UNIMONT Member of the Technical Scientific Table for Mountain areas (TTS) established by the Italian Minister for Regional and Autonomous **Affairs**

17.30 I THE MOUNTAIN EDUCATION AND INNOVATION MANIFESTO READING

• Magda Ciullo - Student, University of Milan - UNIMONT

17.451 CLOSING REMARKS

• Mariastella Gelmini - Italian Minister of Regional Affairs and Autonomies

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