

**TransParcNet Meeting 2020**

***Transboundary Protected Areas: cooperation in COVID time***

*Wednesday, 09th of December 2020, 09:00-16:30 CET*

*Online*

The **EUROPARC Transboundary Parks Programme “Following Natures Design”** is a special verification and certification system that aims to promote and facilitate transboundary cooperation between European Protected Areas.

The **TransParcNet** is the network of all certified EUROPARC Transboundary Parks.

The **Annual TransParcNet meeting** is usually hosted by one of the members of the network. This time, due of COVID19 emergency and travel restrictions, it is organized by EUROPARC online, and **is restricted to TransParcNet members and other invited cross-border European protected areas.**

A special thanks to the European Commission and IUCN representatives for their presence and thanks to all participants. We very much look forward to a fruitful and enlightening exchange and discussion.

*More info about the program, the network and the previous TransParcNet meetings:* [*https://www.europarc.org/nature/transboundary-cooperation/*](https://www.europarc.org/nature/transboundary-cooperation/)

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**PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

*Facilitator: Stefania Petrosillo – EUROPARC Federation*

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| **09:00** | ***WELCOME*** *Ignace Shops – EUROPARC Federation* | |
| **09:10**  **09:30** | **Presentation and update of EUROPARC Transboundary Program** *Riina Tervo, EUROPARC TB Task Force*  Q&A, debate | |
| **09:40**  **10:10** | **EU cohesion policy and INTERREG support for cross-border cooperation** *Maud Skäringer, European Commission- DG REGIO*  **The role of cross-border cooperation in the EU Biodiversity Strategy 2030**  *Przemyslaw Oginski, European Commission- DG ENV*  Q&A, debate | |
| **10:25** | ***BREAK*** | |
| **10:35**  **10:50** | **IUCN transboundary conservation** *Boris Erg, IUCN WCPA Transboundary Conservation Specialist Group*  Q&A, debate | |
| **11:05**  **11:20** | **Presentation of a new Transboundary candidate** *Hauke Zirfas, Int. Naturpark Bourtanger Moor - Bargerveen e.V. (D-N)*  Q&A, debate | |
| **12:35** | **Presentation of workshops** *Daniele Piazza, Binntal Veglia Devero Nature Parks (IT-CH)**Stefano Santi, Leo Reyrink, EUROPARC TB TaskForce* | |
| **12:45** | ***BREAK*** | |
| **From 13:00**  **to**  **14:00** | | **LUNCH TIME & NETWORKING** *Virtual tables available for participants who like to have lunch or take a coffee together.*  *(PLEASE, BRING AND VIRTUALLY SHARE TYPICAL FOOD AND DRINK FROM YOUR AREA!!)* |

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| **From**  **14:00**  **to**  **16:00** | ***WORKING GROUP 1:* COVID time and transboundary cooperation***Facilitators: Daniele Piazza* | ***WORKING GROUP 2:* New projects for the network** *Facilitators: Stefano Santi, Leo Reyrink* |

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| **16:00** | **Short presentation of working groups results** *Daniele Piazza, Binntal Veglia Devero Nature Parks (IT-CH)*  *Stefano Santi, Leo Reyrink, EUROPARC TB Task Force* |
| **16:10** | **Final debate and comments** |
| **16:25** | **Conclusions** *Carol Ritchie, EUROPARC Federation* |
| **16:30** | ***END OF THE MEETING*** |