

Round Table on “National Parks in the Adriatic Ionian region as a driver of sustainable development”

Online event via EUSAIR Stakeholder Platform –29 March 2022 h 14.00-16.00 (CEST TIME)

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Agenda

Moderator: Amb. Milan Jazbec, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Slovenia, Department for Enlargement and Southeastern Europe, AII Senior Official;

14.00-14.20 Welcome greetings and introduction

- **Mr. Ilir Melo** Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs of Albania, Director for Regional Affairs and Neighbouring Countries, Adriatic Ionian Initiative – Albanian Chairmanship, EUSAIR Albanian National Coordinator;
- **Amb. Fabio Pigliapoco**, Adriatic & Ionian Initiative - Head of the Permanent Secretariat, AII Senior Advisor;
- **Mr. Joze Tomas**, President of the Forum of the Adriatic Ionian Chambers of Commerce and President of the Split Chamber of Economy

14.20 -14:50 I Panel: EU regional policies and strategies

- **Mr. Andrea Bianchini**, EU Commission, DG ENV - *EU Biodiversity Strategy 2030*
- **Mr. MA Mitja Bricelj**, Slovenian Ministry of Environment, Coordinator of EUSAIR Pillar 3 (Environmental Quality)
- **Mr. Senad Oprašić**, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Coordinator of EUSAIR Pillar 3 (Environmental Quality)

14:50 – 15:35 II Panel: Best practices from the Adriatic Ionian region

- **Ms. Arina Maraš**, Head of the Division for Protected Areas, Directorate for Nature, Ministry of Ecology, Spatial Planning and Urbanism (Montenegro)
- **Mr. Graziano Aretusi**, AdrionPAN Secretariat, Torre del Cerrano Natural Park/ **Prof. Paola Puoti**, D’Annunzio University, Interreg Mediterranean MPA NETWORKS Project
- **Mr. Carlo Franzosini/Mr. Saul Ciriaco** - *Miramare Marine Protected Area*
- **Mr. Francesco De Franco** – Head of Economic Planning and project finance unit - *Torre Guaceto Marine Protected Area*
- **Ms. Martina Hervat**, Brijuni Natural Park and Coordinator of the Croatian Marine Protected areas
- **Ms. Romina Koto**, Vice Rector for Public Relations and Institutions, Agricultural University of Tirana – *Assessment of ecosystem services in Vjosa Natural Park*

15:40 – 16:00 Discussion and Closing remarks