

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)

DRAFT 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. 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*



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Mr. Aleksandar Bulatović – Director, Public Enterprise for National Parks of Montenegro (tbc)

15:35 – 16:00 **Discussion and Closing remarks**