

Invitation



Adaptive Management workshop *CMP Open Standards for the Practice of Conservation*

Nature Park Medvednica, near Zagreb, Croatia
7th - 11th November 2016
(09:00 – 18:00 each day)



Please register via the [online registration form](#) before 30th June 2016

Europe, 18th April 2016

Dear conservation colleagues and friends,

The **European Conservation Coaches Network** (CCNet Europe) and hosting organisation **BIOM** are excited to announce a **workshop for conservation practitioners on Adaptive Management (AM) using the [CMP Open Standards for the Practice of Conservation](#)**.

CMP Open Standards for the Practice of Conservation

The *CMP Open Standards for the Practice of Conservation* (*Open Standards* or OS) are a set of adaptive management standards for designing, managing, monitoring and learning from conservation projects. They have been created by the Conservation Measures Partnership (CMP), an international partnership of many of the world's leading conservation organisations. The *Open Standards* are putting in place the building blocks to improve the practice of conservation for a strategic, results-based design and adaptive management of conservation projects. Its goal is to enable conservation organisations to tackle projects efficiently and achieve effective impacts. The supporting software *Miradi* guides practitioners through the process and captures information to support project planning and implementation, as well as reporting on the results being achieved. The *Open Standards* are now widely used by conservation organisations around the world and can be applied at both the project level (e.g. for the management of single protected areas or species) and the programme level, for the management of multiple projects.

Event information & Registration

The AM workshop will take place at **Hotel Tomislavov Dom in Nature Park Medvednica near Zagreb, Croatia**. It starts on **Monday 7th November at 09:00** and will finish on **Friday 11th November at 17:00 for all participants**. Those involved in coaching one of the teams are expected to start with a coaches preparation session on Sunday 6th November at 12:00.



Please find attached more information on the **AM workshop aims and preliminary agenda**.

The workshop allows for up to **4-5 teams** (up to 8 people each) to join. In total we can accommodate and facilitate a maximum of 32-40 participants. Please note that demand might exceed availability of places and we will choose participating teams on a **first come first serve basis**. The training fee for the AM workshop is **€3.000 per team of 6 to 8 people or €550 per individual**. This fee does not include VAT, travel and accommodation costs.

Note:

CCNet Europe may have *very limited* funds available for teams to cover fees and/or travel costs. Please contact us if you are in serious need for financial help.

IMPORTANT: Teams and participants can register only through the [online registration form](#). This form includes registration for the workshop as well as an indication of your own travel arrangements, accommodation and dietary preference, and whether you wish to join the optional field excursion. **Deadline for registration is 30th June 2016**. If you have any problems or questions regarding registration, please contact Stella Varelzidou (stella.varelzidou@gmail.com) or Vedran Lucic (vedran.lucic@biom.hr). You can also refer to the AM workshop website cnet2016.biom.hr (available from Monday 25th May).

On **Wednesday 9th November**, **BIOM** and **Nature Park Medvednica** invite everyone interested to join a **field excursion** around Mt. Medvednica. This trip includes a lunch, after which we will continue with the workshop. **There are no extra costs associated with this field excursion.**

Area and venue

The AM workshop will take place at [Hotel Tomislavov Dom](#), Mt. Medvednica in Croatia. Mt. Medvednica is located in central Croatia, north of Zagreb. Most of the mountain area is covered by forest and protected within Nature Park Medvednica. Sljeme, the higher region of the mountain is frequently visited by mountaineers, cyclists, recreationists, skiers and hikers, to enjoy the nature and healthy recreation. The workshop venue is located at approximately 40 kilometers distance from Zagreb International Airport Pleso (ZAG).



Please find attached **information on the hotel and how to get there.**

Hotel booking

Within the period of the event we have negotiated an all-inclusive price for all participants, trainers and coaches. The following room rates apply during the 5-day workshop (Sunday 6th November – Friday 11th November) and include all meals, coffee breaks and tourist taxes. These rates exclude alcoholic beverages and other additional consumptions not provided during the workshop.

Single room: HRK 350 / approximately* € 46 per person

Double room standard: HRK 296 / approximately* € 39 per person

Double room comfort: HRK 305 / approximately* € 40 per person

Double room comfort can be used as triple room with an extra bed HRK 290 / approximately* € 38 per person *

*** Euro prices based on exchange rate of 7.50 (not fixed).**

!!! Please note !!!

We will be in a retreat setting in Nature Park Medvednica. There is limited infrastructure in terms of shops or supermarkets. However, the hotel has an excellent kitchen on site including vegetarian and vegan. Apart from water, tea and coffee during workshop sessions - which is of course included - there are plenty of drinks and little snacks that can be acquired on your personal tab. If you require any extra items (from special food to medicine), make sure to bring enough for the week!

On the registration form you can indicate **special dietary needs** as well as if your **preference for a single, double or triple room, where you can also indicate (a) preferred roommate(s)**. Please note that these preferences will be processed on a first come first serve basis. All participants are expected to settle any additional costs, not covered within the participation fee mentioned above, upon departure with the hotel.

Next steps

After registration and payment of the participation fee, the coordination team will finalise teams and assign coaches and coaches-in-training to teams. Once that is done, teams and their coaches will be supported to prepare their case studies for a flying start during the workshop. All participants will get access to required materials and the supporting Miradi software prior to the AM workshop.

More detailed instructions and information about all this will follow once we know the composition of teams and coaches.

We would love to hear from you about specific issues you would like to see covered during the AM workshop. Please let us know in time!

For registration & more information

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Warm greetings and we are looking forward to a fantastic AM workshop!