



## Delos4 Workshop Provisional Agenda

24-26 April 2017 – Malta

Franciscan Retreat House of Porziuncola

### Day 1 – 24.4.2017

#### Reception

**08.30-09.00** Registration of Delos4 Workshop participants

#### Session 1. Opening

**09.00-10.00** Welcome Address of Prof. Luis F. Cassar, Institute of Earth Systems, University of Malta

Address of Prof. Victor Axiak, Chairman on Environment and Resources Authority (ERA) of Malta

Address of His Grace Mgr. Charles Scicluna, Archbishop of Malta

Address of the Imam Mohamed El Sadi

**10.00-10.50** Welcome to the Delos4 workshop

*by Thymio Papayannis*

Sacred Natural Sites – Developments in IUCN during the last 14 years

*by Josep-Maria Mallarach*

*10.50-11.20 Coffee/Tea break*

#### Session 2. Islamic protected sites

**11.20-11.30** Address of Prof. Godfrey Baldacchino, Pro-Rector for International Affairs, University of Malta

**11.30-11.50** Sacred Belt Kramat of Cape Town, South Africa

*by Susana Molins-Llitas*

**11.50-12.10** Alevi Cultural and Religious Heritage; The Case of Hacı Bektaş Dervish Lodge and environmental values in Cappadocia

*by Erhan Kurtarir*

**12.10-12.30** The place and functions of the sacred mountain Sulaiman–Too in the Sacred Geography of Contemporary Kyrgyzstan  
*by Gulnara Aitpaeva*

**12.30-13.00** Discussion

*13.00-14.00 Lunch break*

### **Session 3. Conserved natural areas related to more than one faith & Malta SNSs**

**14.00-14.20** Jordan River ecological restoration project, Jordan, Israel and Palestine  
*by Anwar Abu-Hammour*

**14.20-14.40** Mt. Rumija and the Cult of St. Vladimir as Intangible Cultural Heritage of Three Living Religions, Montenegro  
*by Svetlana Dingarac*

**14.40-15.00** Larnaka Salt Lakes, Cyprus: narratives of a sacred landscape,  
*by Irini Lyratzaki and Stefanos Dodouras*

**15.00-15.20** Encounters with a lost sacred landscape: The case of Late Neolithic Malta  
*by Reuben Grima*

**15.20-15.50** Discussion

*15.50-16.20 Coffee/Tea break*

### **Session. 4 Islamic protected areas and legally established protected areas**

**16.20-16.40** Harâmain of Mecca & Medina, Saudi Arabia  
*by Othman Abd ar-Rahman Lewellyn and Abdallah Altlasat*

**16.40-17.00** Selected Hima with spiritual values: Anjar - Bekaa Valley, Lebannon  
*by Bassam Kantar*

**17.00-17.20** Relict forests protected by Mazarat in the Maghreb: the case of the Rif mountains, Morocco  
*by Lahcen Taïqui and Josep-Maria Mallarach*

**17.20-17.50** Discussion

## **Day 2 –25.4.2017 - Fieldtrip**

09.00: Pick-up from Porziuncola

09.30: Visit to Hagar Qim/Mnajdra

11.30: Visit to St. Paul's Grotto (Rabat)

12.15-12.30: Lunch in Mdina  
14.30: Visit to chapel in Bugibba  
15.00: Visit to Neolithic tombs (Xemxija)  
16.00: Visit to chapel in Naxxar  
17.00: Reception at UM  
18.30: Departure for Porziuncola

Dinner at the Porziuncola Retreat

## **Day 3 – 26.4.2017**

### **Session 5. Islamic protected ecosystems and landscapes**

- 09.00-09.20** Perceiving the creator through the veils of oblivion: Submitting nature to culture at Bosnian Sufi sites, Bosnia/Herzegovina  
*by Amra Hadzimuhamedovic*
- 09.20-09.40** Ecosystem Faith-Based Protection in Sumatra, Indonesia: Case Study of Minangkabau Tradition  
*by Fachruddin Majeri Mangunjaya and Yoan Dinata*
- 09.40-10.00** History and present transformations of Agdal sacralisation of the landscape in Morocco's High Atlas Mountains  
*by Pablo Domínguez*
- 10.00-10.30** Discussion
- 10.30-11.00 *Coffee/Tea break*

### **Session 6. IUCN guidelines on SNS related to the world's religions**

- 11.00-13.00** Contribution to the future IUCN-UNESCO Guidelines for Protected Area managers on Sacred Natural Sites related to the world's religions  
*by Thymio Papayannis and Josep Maria Mallarach*
- 13.00-14.00 *Lunch break*
- 14.00-16.00** Conclusions of workshop - The Delos4 Statement  
*by Thymio Papayannis and Josep Maria Mallarach*
- 19.00 *Farewell dinner*