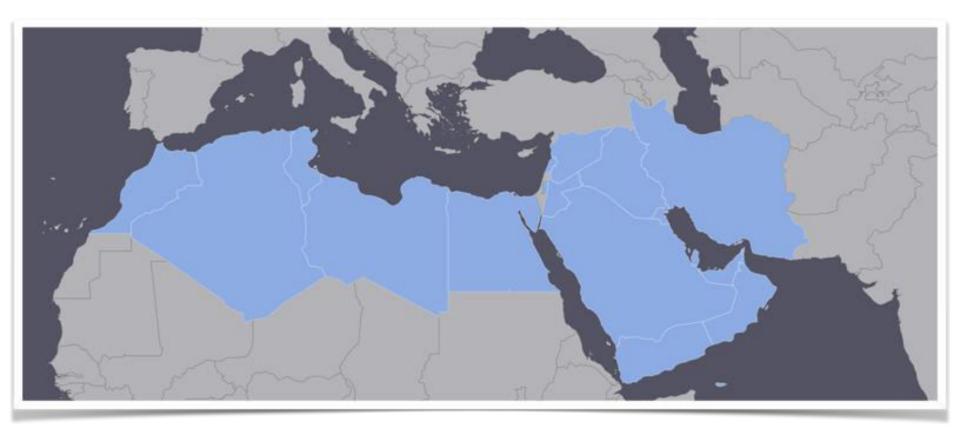




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- 16 Countries
- > 1500 Protected Areas
- 5 countries with over 10% of their surface under Protected Areas Marine Most are still less than 1% (Except Jordan)
- Higher ambitions in many NBSAPs (some targeting 2030)

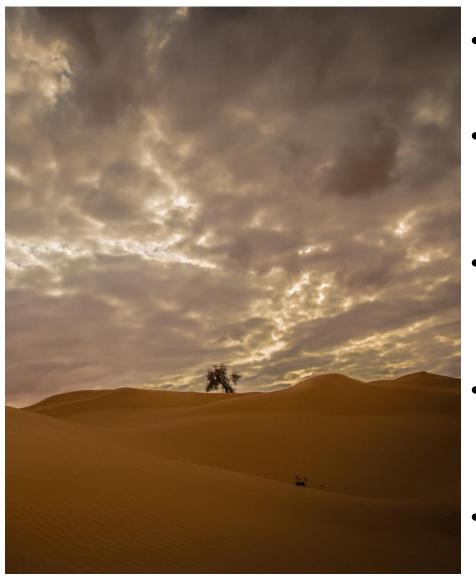
Issues with Numbers

Qualitative elements of Target 11



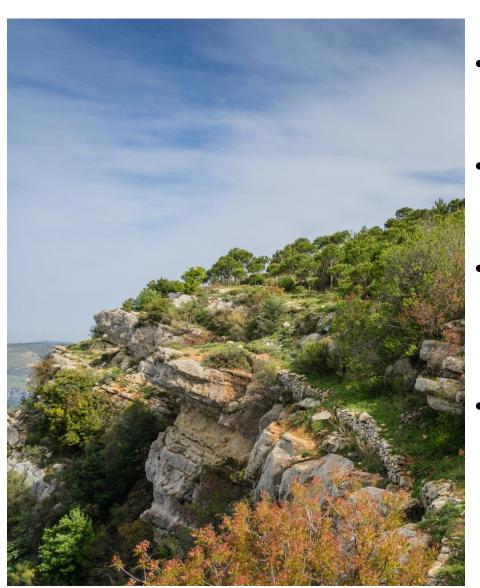
- Ecological Representation (Marine)
- Connectivity
- Areas of importance for Biodiversity
- Areas of importance for Ecosystem Services
- Management effectiveness
- Governance and Equity

Opportunities & Priorities – Regional Publication



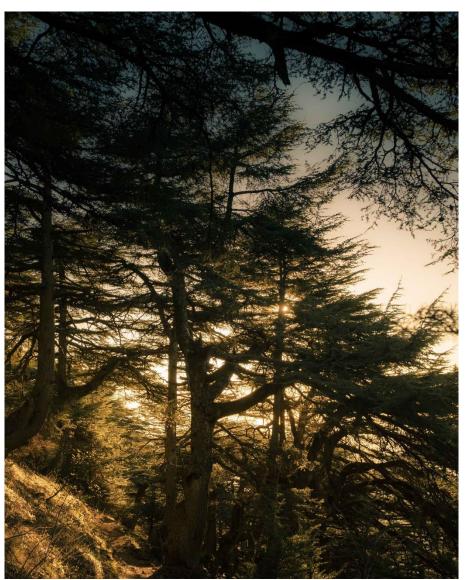
- Advances in Target 11 and success stories from the Arab region
- Opportunity to harmonise data and resolve issues with WDPA (underreporting)
- Opportunity to include and reflect on OECMs in the region (Hima system, fisheries reserves)
- Highlight areas of importance for Ecosystem Services and synergies with other MEAs and SDGs
- Share experiences and inspirations, and promote a healthy competition

Opportunities & Priorities – IUCN Green List



- IUCN Green List of Protected and Conserved Areas
- 2 sub-regional evaluations (MEWA, NA)
- 13 candidate Sites in MEWA: Egypt
 2, Jordan 4, Lebanon 1, Palestine 2,
 UAE 4,
- 7 candidate sites in North Africa:
 Algeria 2, Morocco 2, Tunisia 3

Opportunities & Priorities – IUCN Green List

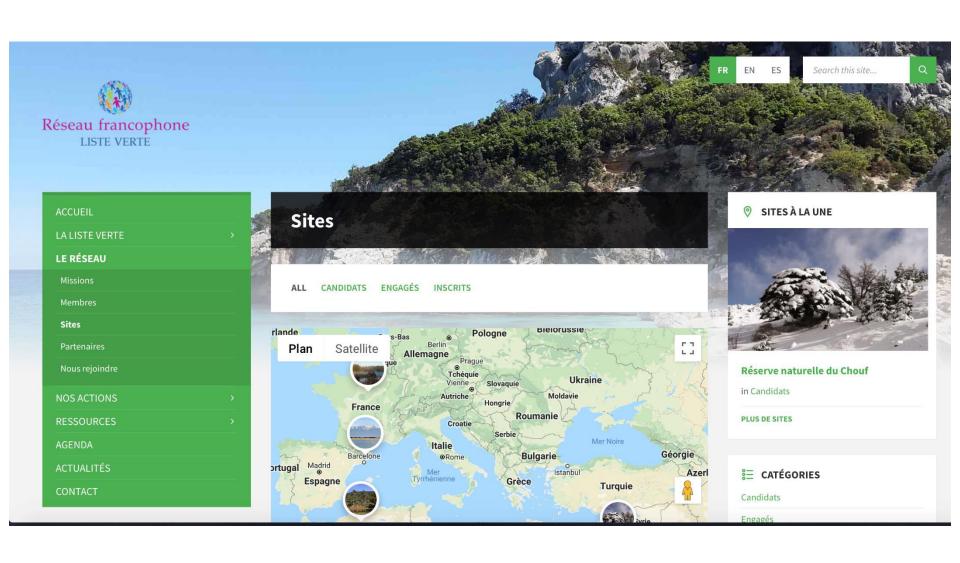


- Strengthening engagement with national PA agencies
- Scaling up the GL as a tool to enhance management effectiveness in the region (not target certification) How to apply it to the national PA system
- Improving governance system, and better integration of aspects related to ecosystem services and socioeconomics

Opportunities & Priorities – IUCN Green List



- Creating learning opportunities and building capacities in the region
- Enabling improved cooperation and partnerships between civil society, governments and international organisations
- Francophone Network of PA:
 Mentoring and experience pairing
 sites is starting discussion on
 connectivity



Opportunities & Priorities – Communicating beyond our constituency



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- Strong communication and social media campaign with a focus on importance and role of protected areas (#Our_Parks_are_Our_Future; #انامحمیاتنا)
- The Dreamer

 The Dreamer

75 Comments 738 Shares 70K View

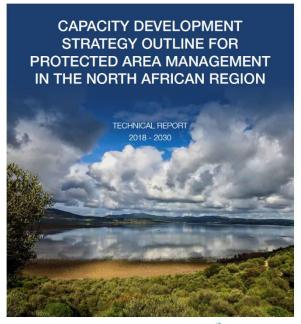
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- Video series "Protected Areas:
 Sanctuaries for Biodiversity, Engines of development"
- Linking beyond the obvious: migration/rural exodus, terrorism
- New collaboration w TV channel (investigative journalism)

Capacity...and capabilities







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- In last decade, over 250 initiative in southern Med on capacity building for PAs – not much impact
- Capacity building needs assessment and Targeted strategy for professional capacity development for North Africa (Algeria, Egypt, Libya, Morocco and Tunisia) done in 2018

https://www.iucn.org/news/mediterranean/20 1811/developing-effective-capacity-northafrican-protected-areas

Implementation of strategy (donors)

Mobilising alliances



- WCPA network
- Governments and PA agencies
- 2nd Regional Biodiversity Forum for West Asia – May 2018, Abu Dhabi
- North Africa: WWF Med
 Programme, UNEP SPA RAC (Green
 List, Governance and Mgt
 Effectiveness)
- IUCN members (Regional Conservation Fora in mid 2019, Target 11 day)



