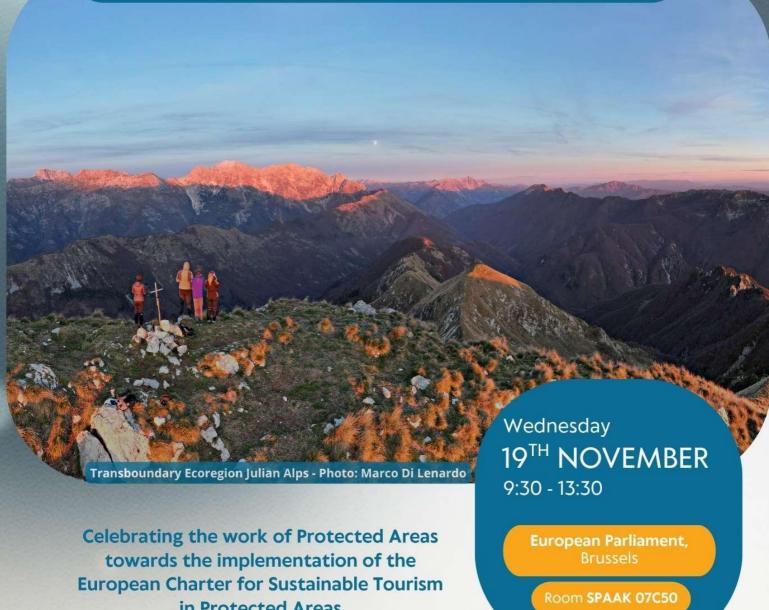


ECST AWARDS CEREMONY 2025



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PROGRAMME

Wednesday, 19.11.2025. EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, BRUSSELS

- **8:30** Accreditation centre SPINELLI building, rue Wiertz 60 / Wiertzstraat 60, 1050 Brussels, Belgium (access via the esplanade Agora Simone VEIL)
- 9:00 9:15 Meeting point to enter the Parliament: Main entrance of the Altiero SPINELLI (ASP) building

9:30 Opening & Welcome

Welcome from the European Parliament.

By **MEP Giuseppe Antoci**, The Left group in the European Parliament – GUE/NGL

Welcome from EUROPARC

By Alberto Arroyo Schnell, Director, EUROPARC Federation

Sustainable tourism and nature conservation: challenges and opportunities By Andrea Vettori, Head of the Nature Conservation Unit - European Commission, DG Environment

Towards a new EU Strategy for Sustainable TourismBy **Ramune Genzbigelyte-Venturi**, Policy officer for Tourism European Commission, DG Move

ECST Awards Ceremony

10:20 - 11:15 ECST Awards to (*):

- 1. Doñana National and Natural Park, Spain
- 2. Sierras de Cazorla; Segura y Las Villas Nature Park, Spain
- 3. Emilia Centrale Parks, Italy
- 4. Magic Mountains, Portugal

Developing and managing the GR60 – Magic Mountains Long-Distance Trail

By **João Carlos Pinho**, Executive Coordinator, ADRIMAG/ Montanhas Mágicas (EUROPARC Federation member)

- 5. Lahemaa National Park, Estonia
- 6. Matsalu National Park, Estonia
- 7. Soomaa National Park, Estonia

Creating a Unified Visual Identity for Soomaa National Park Charter area
By Aino Viinapuu, Board member, Green Riverland Partnership
(EUROPARC Federation member)

11:15 Family Picture

11:20 - 11:50 NETWORKING COFFEE

11:50 - 13:25 ECST Awards to (*):

8. Weerribben-Wieden National Park, The Netherlands

Implementing Sustainable Mobility with Shared E-Bikes in Weerribben-Wieden National Park

By **Sharon Jagt**, Project manager Sustainability and Economy, Weerribben-Wieden National Park (EUROPARC Federation member)

- 9. Gauja National Park, Latvia
- 10. Serralada Litoral Park, Spain
- 11. Emilia Western Parks, Italy
- 12. Antola Regional Natural Park, Italy
- 13. Monti Lucretili Natural Regional Park, Italy
- 14. TB Transboundary Ecoregion Julian Alps: Triglav National Park and Prealpi Giulie Nature Park, Slovenia and Italy

ECST Forum as main tool for the integration of sustainable tourism in the management of the Julian Alps TB MaB UNESCO Biosphere

By Stefano Santi, Director of Prealpi Giulie Nature Park and by Tit Potočnik, Director of Triglav National Park (EUROPARC Federation members)

- 15. Asinara National Park, Italy
- 16. Urdaibai Biosphere Reserve, Spain
- 17. Cap de Creus Nature Park, Spain
- 18. Foreste Casentinesi, Monte Falterona e Campigna National Park, Italy

Park and Operators: Building a Sustainable Future Together

By Franco Locatelli, ECST responsible – Foreste Casentinesi, Monte
Falterona e Campigna National Park (EUROPARC Federation member)

- 19. Monti Sibillini National Park, Italy
- 20. Coastal Dunes from Torre Canne to Torre S. Leonardo Nature Regional Park, Italy
- 21. Cabañeros National Park, Spain
- 22. Torre del Cerrano Marine Protected Area, Italy





- 23. Montaña Palentina Nature Park, Spain 24. Hoces del Río Riaza Nature Park, Spain
- 13:25 Closing 13:30 End of Ceremony

(*) Order can change

This ceremony will be kindly hosted by MEP Giuseppe Antoci, from The Left group in the European Parliament – GUE/NGL and facilitated by the EUROPARC Federation Team (Alberto Arroyo Schnell, Federico Minozzi and Filipa Lima), registered in the EU Transparency register (ID: 01380772294-53). All contributions by member organisations are presented in their capacity as EUROPARC members within the framework of the European Charter for Sustainable Tourism in Protected Areas (ECST). ---