

European Diploma for Protected Areas in 2024

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- Report of the annual meeting of the Group of Specialists on the European Diploma for Protected Areas
- Strasbourg, 20 - 21 February 2024
- T-PVS/DE(2024)03



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- In 2024, 6 on-the-spot appraisal visits to areas holding the ED were carried out
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- Renewal of the diploma for all the 6 areas



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- Proposal to expand the target 1.3 of the Strategic Plan of the Bern Convention for the period to 2030 regarding formal protected areas to the European Diploma and using the assets of the European Diploma, namely the management and governance of protected areas for raising awareness about conservation within the frame of the implementation of the Strategic Plan

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- Welcoming the application of the Sierra Nevada National Park (Spain) for the European Diploma
- Photo Iberian Escapes

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- In 2025, two on-the-spot appraisal visits (Sierra Nevada National Park, Regional Park Gallipoli Cognato, Italy) are planned



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- Preparations of the celebration of the 60th anniversary of the European Diploma (II)
- ✓ Updating a publication on the highlights of the European Diploma produced for the 50th anniversary

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- ✓ Communication and awareness campaign on the achievements of the European Diploma during 60 years of existence and its contribution to human wellbeing and to human rights protection.

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- Meeting bringing together the managers of the Diploma holding areas back-to-back with the annual meeting of the Group of Specialists in the Sierra Nevada National Park in May 2025: a roundtable discussion with managers
- Special thanks the Spanish authorities for their invitation to host a celebratory event
- Muchas gracias

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Appreciation to:

- Members of the Group
- Secretariat
- Independent experts
- ED holder management authority

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- Thank you very much for your attention
- Děkuji za pozornost

