

**Resolution CM/ResDip(2008)1
on the revised regulations for the Euroean Diploma for Protected Areas**

*(Adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 20 February 2008
at the 1018th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies)¹*

Appendix 5: Model plan for annual reports

Annual report for the year 2018

Annual reports should describe the changes that have taken place since the previous year in dynamic terms of management and function and not be limited to basic data. Any new text or map introducing a change in the situation of the area should be attached to the annual report.

State: Italy

Name of the area: Parco Regionale della Maremma

Year and number of years since the award or renewal of the Euroean Diploma for Protected Areas: 7 years from renewal, in 2011.

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1. Conditions: List here all conditions which were attached to the award or the renewal of the European Diploma. Explain either how the conditions have been totally complied with or detail the progress in complying with the conditions. Please also indicate any unresolved difficulties that you have encountered.

To give importance to the points of view of the Scientific Council:

At the moment the Scientific Council works constantly to balance the necessity to protect the biodiversity and the landscape of the area, and the necessity of a balanced socio-economic development. It attends in every situation where the Park has to take action about the management of specific areas (forest management, wild fauna management, research plans, and actions against the coastal erosion). In all these cases it has been always possible to work together in full harmony with the Scientific Council.

2. Recommendations: List here all recommendations which were attached to the award or the renewal of the European Diploma. Explain either how the recommendations have been totally complied with or detail the progress in complying with the recommendations. Please also indicate any unresolved difficulties that you have encountered.

1. Develop, in collaboration with the local authorities concerned, an approach to the management of the Ombrone by river basin, pursuant to the EU Water Framework Directive, with a view to attaining good ecological status for the watercourse within the meaning of that directive:

We are working to verify the ecological condition of the Ombrone river final flow and the surrounding habitat; we are going on with the monitoring about overall the geological type. At the moment we are defining the contract of the Ombrone river with all the local authorities. The leader is Consorzio di Bonifica Toscana Sud.

2. Finalise, within a maximum of two years, the extension of the Park to include the marine environment under conditions to be decided in agreement with local players.

No change to report since last year.

3. Designate the Trappola (Ombrona Delta) as a wetland of international importance under the Ramsar Convention on Wetland.

No change to report since last year. Already included.

4. Considerably increase human resources in the Park responsible for field inspections and ensure a level of funding consistent with the increasing needs of optimum management of the diploma-holding area:

No change regarding the level of funding.

About the increase of human resources we have started the process to employ a Park ranger. The number of visitors from the 1st January to the 31 October 2018 is about **47.898**.

5. Step up technical support for local enterprises involved in developing integrated agro-environmental activities and promoting local products and services.

- CETS: European Charter for Sustainable Tourism. Work is in progress. The Park is in process to deliver the candidacy within December 2018.
- We constantly organise meetings with local enterprises (BB, agriturismo, restaurants, rent apartments etc.) to update them about the Park events, CETS, news and other.
- Park trademark about quality: at the moment 18 companies are registered.

6. Develop action to promote the protection and enhancement of the Park's anthropological heritage.

During the summer we have organised some events about the archaeological and anthropological heritage:

- on 29th July: "La musica perduta degli etruschi";
 - on 30th July: "San Rabano e i suoi tesori";
 - on 2nd December: "San Rabano con Lo storico dell'arte";
 - on 22nd December an event in Spaccasasso location will be organised.
- Actually, the only archaeological open site is Spaccasasso.

7. Prepare a plan for the management of the wolf population.

There are 2 reproductive groups: we are monitoring them and genetically examine them.

3. Site Management: List here any changes to the European Diploma holding site management, in relation to both terrestrial and aquatic environments (as appropriate), and in relation to staff and finances, since the last annual report was submitted to the Council of Europe. Please also indicate any unresolved difficulties that you have encountered.

No change.

4. Boundaries: Give details of any changes to the boundaries of the European Diploma holding site since the last annual report was submitted to the Council of Europe. If there are any changes, please attach an appropriate map to this report. Please also indicate any unresolved difficulties that you have encountered.

No change.

5. Other information: List here any other information about the European Diploma holding site which you consider should be provided to the Council of Europe.

1. The Park has organised in 2018 the event "Park's Festival" during one weekend in May. In particular BioBlitz has been organised in collaboration with Museo di Storia Naturale della Maremma, in the area of Talamone. It was also possible to participate, free, to the cleaning of the beach in Marina di Alberese, to the event for families "Disegna il tuo Parco!" and the mountain bike event in the Park, organised in collaboration with Associazione Ombrone. The result has been a great success about the number of visitors.

2. We have organised several guided Park area crossings during the tourist season.

3. The Park has organized, in collaboration with Tuscany region, "Estate dei Parchi", a project of journey in the Park for students.

4. Different promoting events about the ancient jobs and handicraft to the Alberese Visitor Center.

5. The success about the reintroduction of osprey. This summer we had 1 juvenile.

6. We have opened a new mountain bike itinerary.

7. We have hosted several Photograph Exhibition to the Alberese Visitor Centre named "The Osprey's life in Maremma", about Osprey and one named "In punta di Corna" about the typical cows.

8. 3 events of beach cleaning in June and August to the Principina a Mare beach.

9. "I guardiani della duna" project: the protection of dunes between Marina di Alberese and Colleungo, organised in collaboration with Legambiente and Gruppo Unipol.

10. We participated from 10 to 19 August 2018 to the "Festambiente" Festival in Enaoli with a stand where there was a space about the Park Trademark with the tasting of local products of the 18 companies, which have the Trademark, and a video space with a series of Park documentaries.

11. The Park is inside the Tuscany net cetacean mammals and sea turtles observatory. The Park takes part to the Regional Go Green Mare Project and thanks to the Environment Minister authorization the Talamone sea turtle center is a Sea Turtles Rescue Center. We have bought a drone to monitor the nesting areas and we have organised two training days for stakeholders. This year we have taken care of and left free two sea turtles.

12. About the environmental education there is a new didactic project 2017/2018 with relative brochures, about various subjects: prehistory, how to feel the environment, Talamone Aquarium, Maremma Park in general, biodiversity, environment energies, Ombrone river, the sea, the beach and the dune ecological system. All oriented towards the infant, primary and secondary schools. There's an open didactic laboratory inside the Park.

During the summer the Park has organised didactic laboratories to the Talamone Aquarium with the biologist and the veterinary.

Park guides have organised some didactic laboratories in Marina di Alberese, during July and August.

13. For the third summer the Park has organised a volunteer camp to the Pinottolai guest house, to have a help to better protect the environment and the Principina a Mare beach. We have started with volunteers an Instagram campaign against the rubbish litter.

14. We go on with the thematic Photograph Competition on line, named "Le stagioni nel Parco".

15. Every year, in October, we organise the "Festa del Parco". All walk itineraries are free for resident people. In addition this year we have organised two guided itineraries to San Rabano and to Talamone.