

REVIEW OF THE 26TH YOUNG AND MEDITERRANEAN MEETINGS



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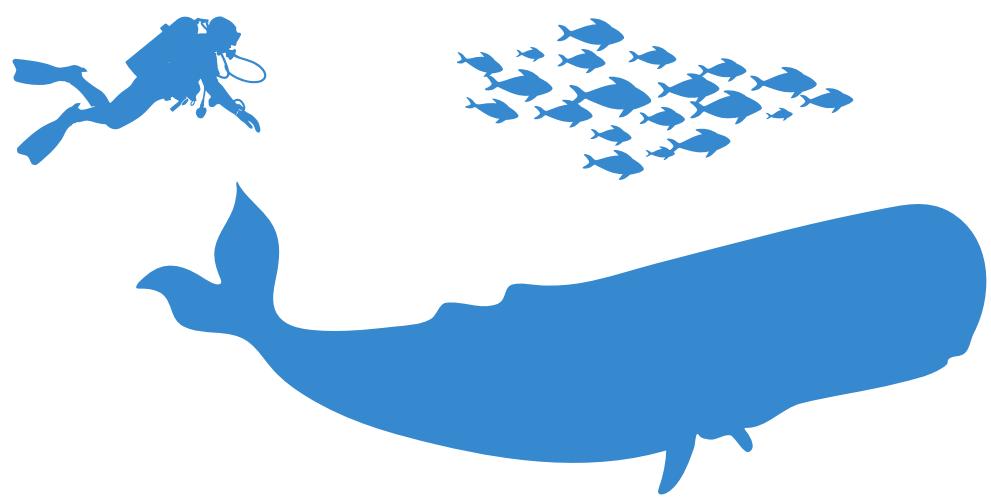


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THE SEA AND MOUNTAIN DISCOVERY CENTRE FOUNDER OF THE REM AND ORGANISER OF THE MEETINGS



The sea and mountain discovery centre (CDMM), formerly the Marine Discovery Centre, is an association for the protection of the environment and education in the environment and sustainable development founded in 1991.

Based in the port of Nice, the CDMM is a partner of environmental actors and has been deploying its associative project for more than 30 years on the departmental, regional and Mediterranean territory, from the sea to the mountains.

Since 1999, a team of employees with diverse and complementary backgrounds has been developing the 3 axes of the structure: LEISURE / EDUCATION / EXPERTISE

For 26 years, the CDMM has been coordinating the Mediterranean Environment Network and organising the Young and Mediterranean Meetings every year.

REM'S VALUES

The members of the Mediterranean Environment Network (REM) meet around common values, and maintain a link throughout the year to share their actions in favour of environmental education. This link gives rise to new ideas and perpetuates the annual REM meetings.



GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER

Bringing together young people from countries around the Mediterranean to promote contacts, strengthen **cooperation between countries** and initiate projects to exchange best practices in environmental education.

ACT

Developing **concrete** and **joint actions** to protect, raise awareness and promote eco-citizen behaviour.

COLLABORATE

Establishing a **network of observation and exchange** around environmental education, in order to better understand the international dimension of the Mediterranean.

MOBILIZE

Organize a mobilization for a **sustainable development** in a fair, supportive and responsible world.

REM'S MEMBERS



154 MEMBERS



ALBANIA

Association for Protection of Aquatic Wildlife of Albania - Doctor Vet in Community - Faculté des sciences naturelles - Green Vision - National Environment Agency - Open Doors Center - Protection and preservation of Natural Environment in Albania - Royal Albania Foundation - Social Education and Environment Protection



ALGERIA

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BOSNIA -HERZEGOVINA

CZZS - Regional Environmental Center



CYPRUS

Cyprus Sustainable Tourism Initiative - KEPEEP - Marine Environment Protection - Stand Out for Education - Terra Cypria - Together Cyprus



CROATIA

Blue World Institute - Medical School of Dubrovnik - Secondary School of Metkovic



EGYPT

Bibliotheca Alexandrina - Centre de recherche d'Alexandrie - Collège St Marc d'Alexandrie - Dana and Qadisyeh Local Community Cooperative - Foundation for Youth and Development - Green Generation Foundation - Jordan University - Maat for Peace, Development and Human Rights - Oyoun Masr Association for Cultural&Social Development - Water Research El Qanater El-Khairiy



SPAIN

Ajuntament de Badalona - Anel.Lides - Col. Legi Badalonès - Lycée Français de Barcelone - UFM - UMP



FRANCE

Bokra Sawa - CDMM - CEPF - DéfisMed - France Volontaires - IBMED - Impartial Industrie - Lycée Agricole et Forestier - Lycée Jean Aicard - Lycée Saint Joseph La Salle Lorient - Mare Vivu - Mer Terre France - SEA Plastics - Terre d'Echanges - U Marinu



GREECE

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HUNGARIA

Regional Environment Center



ISRAËL

ARAVA Institute of Environment Studies - Bicycle Association - Ecocean - Ecopeace Middle East - Friends of the Earth Middle East - Zalul Environmental Association Israël



ITALY

Ambiente Mare Italia - Blu Marine Service - Instituto Vittorio Emanuele II - Legambiente Ligura Onlus - Legambiente Toscana - Marine Protected Area Punta Campanella - Promotech



JORDAN

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LEBANON

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LIBYA

DSYW Organization - Salam Network



MALTA

Institute Earth System - ZIBEL



MOROCCO

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MONACO

Association Monégasque pour la Protection de la Nature - Monaco Mediterranean Foundation



MONTENEGRO

Center for Protection and Research of birds Montenegro



PALESTINE

EcoPeace Middle East - Municipalité de Dura



UNITED-KINGDOM

Euro-Mediterranean Ressources Network



SLOVENIA

EMUNI University - Ecological Movements of Slovenia - Morigenos, Slovenian Marine Mammal Society



TUNISIA

ADAM - Association des Amis du Bélvedère - Association de l'Environnement de Kélibia - AJEM - Association Jeunes science Club Kerkennah - APAL - APEDDUB (Association pour la protection de l'environnement et le développement durable de Bizerte) - APDPE - APNEMA - ASSEB - Centre d'activités régionales pour les Aires spécialement protégées - Centre Culturel et sportif El Menzah - Club des activités de plongée de Bizerte - Club Culturel Ali Belhouane - Discover Kerkennah - GIZ - Kantara Save Earth - Les aventuriers pour le développement Siliana - Mechergui Rania - Municipalité de Mahdia - PINNA - PPI-OSCAN - OTEF - Université de Tunis - Web Radio "Voix de femmes"



TURKEY

BEcole Piri Reis - Lycée français Charles de Gaulle - Lycée Galatasaray - Lycée Notre-Dame-de-Sion - Lycée Petit Prince / Lycée SAJEV Küçük Prens - Lycée Saint Joseph Istanbul - Lycée Sainte-Pulchérie - Regional Environment Center - Turkish Marine Research Foundation - TURMEPA

THE REM: YOUNG AND MEDITERRANEAN MEETINGS

MEETING'S PRESENTATION

DAYS OF SHARING AND EXCHANGING FOR THE ENVIRONMENT: MEET, EXCHANGE, TRAIN

The Youth and Mediterranean Meetings aim to develop and perpetuate the REM by working together on common environmental issues. They help strengthen cooperation between countries through numerous human encounters and the use of new technologies to communicate throughout the year.

This event offers :

The preparation of a pole of observation and exchange of experiences and practices around the Mediterranean, the perpetuation of a network of actors for environmental education, as well as the development of common projects.

Each year, an average of 10 Mediterranean countries attend the meetings.



Thanks to the many **exchanges** with children, schoolchildren and young people from the Alpes-Maritimes, this event also enables a better understanding of each other and cultural exchanges. In this context, **workshops** and an **exhibition** of the work carried out during the year by schoolchildren and young people from Mediterranean countries are organized during the **Meetings**. The aim is to develop these contacts and maintain exchanges throughout the year.

The means put in place each year to achieve these objectives are:

- The development of workshops, training courses and educational tools in the field of Health-Environment ;
- Tutorials to raise public awareness ;
- Workshops, site visits and conferences ;
- Exchanges of good practices ;
- Presentation of actions carried out by the various actors during the year (young REM' members prepare and carry out an environmental action in their country and present it at the Meetings).

26TH YOUNG AND MEDITERRANEAN MEETINGS

In 2024, the meetings focused on behavioural change as a means of preserving the environment, around the following theme: **'Change to preserve'**.

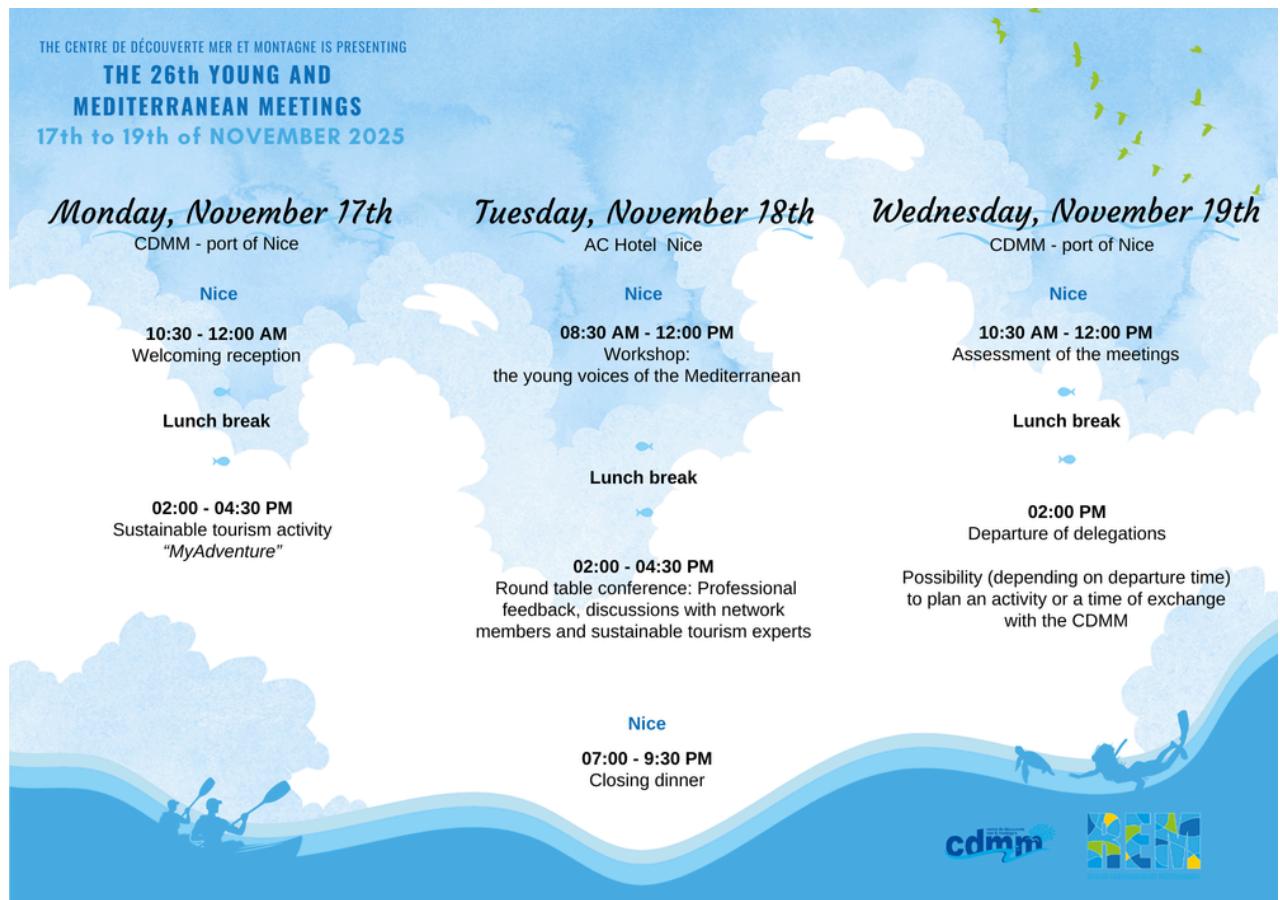
This year, we chose to focus the event on sustainable tourism and how to reconcile tourism development with the preservation of Mediterranean ecosystems. We invited our delegations to come and present the projects they are developing locally on this theme.

The **REM** has members from all over the Mediterranean, and to enable everyone to participate in this **26th edition**, part of the event was simultaneously translated into English.

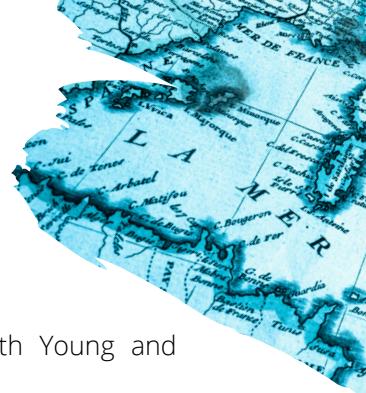
For these 26th meetings, members gathered around the theme **'Sustainable tourism in the Mediterranean: Towards sustainable solutions for responsible tourism'**.



PROGRAM



GUESTS PRESENT



The CDMM thanks the officials and REM members who participated in the 26th Young and Mediterranean Meetings.



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Cyprus Sustainable Tourism
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Discover kerkennah



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Cap Bizerte



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Organization for development to
support women and youth



ORGANISATION OF THE MEETINGS

Acknowledgements

First and foremost, we would like to thank our partners, without whom the REM would not be able to continue, and without whom this conference could not have taken place in such an ideal setting.

If we are thinking of our financial partners, our thanks go to the Département des Alpes-Maritimes, the Région SUD and the Métropole Nice Côte d'Azur.

Thank you once again this year for your support in bringing the Mediterranean Environment Network (REM) to life over the years.



DÉPARTEMENT
DES ALPES-MARITIMES

MÉTROPOLE
NICE CÔTE D'AZUR

If we focus on the venues made available to us for the Meetings, in order to offer our delegations a high-quality setting, then it is to the city of Nice and the AC Hotel Nice that our thanks are directed.

Thanks to the city of Nice for allowing us to welcome our members at the Aigle Nautique. Thanks also to the AC Hotel Nice and its director Nicolas Martin, who helped us organize this 26th Assises and agreed to speak at our event to share his experience. Thanks to Ms Lhemery and the events department for their patience and invaluable help in organising this event, both in advance and on the day itself.



Finally, we would like to thank the experts who participated in our round table discussion, "Working together for more sustainable tourism in the Mediterranean".

We would also like to thank Hervé Bonein for agreeing to act as moderator and our various speakers, including Chloé Martin, Anne-Laure Dusoir, Céline Renouard, Philippou Drousiotis and Abderrahmen Chakchouk, for their constructive and fascinating discussions.



MONDAY

Welcome and MyAdventure

The first day of the Meetings is a time for getting together and discovering the new faces present. Some members have been with us for a long time, while others join us every year, a clear sign of the network's attractiveness.

After a welcome session where each delegation introduced themselves as they arrived in the Maralpine region, there was a presentation of the programme and logistics. After lunch, there was a social gathering to get to know the newcomers and break the ice. This year, this took the form of a life-size escape game in the streets of Nice: 'My Adventure'.



This game, developed by the Nice Côte d'Azur Metropolitan Tourist Office, enabled participants to discover Old Nice and the Port district while experiencing a sustainable tourism activity. Participants were divided into four groups from different backgrounds to create a positive emulation. The winning group had the glory of winning the respect of others.

TUESDAY

Project presentations

For the second day of the Youth and Mediterranean Meetings, network members spent the morning highlighting sustainable tourism projects they had developed in their local areas. These projects were presented in poster form, with some accompanied by PowerPoint presentations. Other participants chose to make video clips inspired by the work of DéfisMed and its ecotourism video streaming platform: BREEN TV.

During the morning, participants had the opportunity to present their projects to the audience. The aim of this presentation format was to capture the audience's attention before moving on to a cross-disciplinary workshop, where everyone's ideas could be examined and compared in order to encourage discussion between the delegations. The posters and a summary of the presentations are available on the following pages.



The morning was also marked by an official inauguration attended by a number of officials. We would like to extend our warmest thanks to Ms. Auréa COPHIGNON, elected representative of Nice and representative of Renaud MUSELIER, President of the Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur Region, and Ms. Florence MORETTI, Head of International Relations at Métropole Nice Côte d'Azur and new President of the Centre de Découverte Mer et Montagne, for their speeches during the inauguration.

We were also honoured by the presence of Mr Richard CHEMLA, Deputy Mayor, Delegate for Ecological and Energy Transition, Health, Well-being and Animal Protection, and Vice-President of Nice Côte d'Azur Metropolis, who said a few words at the closing evening.



1st Laboratory Center of 2nd Directorate of Secondary Education of Athens (page 20)

The project presented by the head of the 1st Laboratory Centre of the 2nd Directorate of Athens, in Athens, Greece, aims to use Greece's immense biodiversity as a powerful tool for sustainable development. The concept is based on promoting Geoparks. Tourism promotion focuses on authentic, low-impact experiences, including the creation of trails, sea tours and the promotion of traditional gastronomic tourism.



Cap Bizerte (page 21)

In Bizerte, northern Tunisia, the Cap Bizerte association has set up a project that aims to combine the discovery of marine biodiversity with its preservation by minimising the impact of tourism. It consists of a 250-metre mobile underwater trail, marked by buoys that delimit five observation stations (Posidonia seagrass beds, sandy bottoms, artificial reefs, etc.). Underwater information panels accompany the trail. The innovative nature of the project lies in its scientific basis and the use of participatory science.



Col·legi Badalonès (page 22)

The Col·legi Badalonès de Secundària school in Badalona, Spain, has launched the UrbamarBio project, a citizen science and awareness initiative aimed at bringing the public and science closer together to protect the coastal and marine wealth of the Barcelona metropolitan area. The main objective is to create the first photo guide to the marine biodiversity of the coast. The ambition is to extend this tool to tourists, whose numbers are constantly increasing, in order to change their behaviour and make them aware of local biodiversity.



Lycée Petit Prince (page 23)

At the Lycée Petit Prince, located in Istanbul, Turkey, students have founded a club based on the observation that tourism is a major source of pollution and ecosystem degradation. Their goal is to promote good practices both inside and outside the school. Their actions include creating an educational website on the marine environment, organising awareness-raising workshops, and cleaning up tourist sites. Their ambition is to create a network of student ambassadors for sustainable tourism to spread the message: 'Travelling green means preserving our future.'



Organization for development to support women and youth

The association presented a video explaining their project, which aims to protect beaches and establish sustainable ecotourism along Libya's vast coastline. The project focuses on the conservation of three endangered species: the monk seal, the green turtle and the brown grouper. In response to threats (illegal fishing, plastic pollution, tourism), an immediate action plan has been decided upon, aimed at identifying critical habitats, implementing regulations and conducting awareness campaigns.



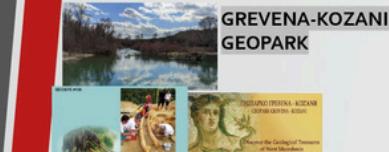
Discover kerkennah

Discover Kerkennah presented several videos demonstrating the appeal of exploring an area by bicycle, a sustainable tourism activity that has less impact on areas rich in biodiversity such as the Kerkennah archipelago, and which promotes local activities and culinary tourism.



Greek UNESCO GLOBAL GEOPARKS sustainable tourism and environmental education

1st Laboratory Centre of 2nd Directorate of Athens (Agia Paraskevi)



GREVENA-KOZANI
GEOPARK

UNESCO Global Geoparks were created to protect and promote areas with significant geological, natural, and cultural heritage. Their main goals are to preserve geological sites, support education and research, and encourage sustainable local development through geotourism. They also help raise public awareness about the importance of protecting our planet while strengthening the connection between people, nature, and culture.



GEOPARK CHELMOS-
VOURAIKOS

Geodiversity is the natural variety of geological (rocks, minerals, fossils), geomorphological (landforms, processes), and soil features – and the processes that form and alter them.



LAVREOTIKI
GEOPARK

Greek UNESCO GLOBAL GEOPARKS_1	
GEOPARK	NOMINATED
LEFKOS	2000
PSILORITIS	2001
CHELMOS- VOURAIKOS	2009
VIKOS-AOOS	2010
SITIA	2015
GREVENA- KOZANI	2021
KEFALONIA- ITHACA	2022
LAVREOTIKI	2023
METEORA-PYLI	2024

Greek UNESCO Global Geoparks_2	
GEOPARKS	LINK
LESVOS	https://www.lesvogeopark.gr/
PSILORITIS	https://psilogeopark.gr/en/
CHELMOS- VOURAIKOS	https://ch.mn/1s35A
VIKOS-AOOS	https://ch.mn/1s35B
SITIA	https://ch.mn/1s35C
GREVENA- KOZANI	https://ch.mn/1s35D
KEFALONIA- ITHACA	https://ch.mn/1s35E
LAVREOTIKI	https://geoparklavreotiki.gr/
METEORA-PYLI	https://www.meteorogeopark.gr/en/
NISYROS	https://ch.mn/1s35H

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OBJECTIVES

- the protection and conservation of geological heritage,
- the education and awareness of the public about geodiversity and the environment,
- and the promotion of sustainable local development through activities such as ecotourism.



Greek UNESCO Global Geoparks are excellent examples of sustainable tourism in action. They focus on: Protecting geological and natural heritage, Supporting local economies and communities, Educating visitors and residents about sustainability, Encouraging low-impact, authentic experiences



LESVOS
GEOPARK



Geodiversity

is to the non-living (abiotic) environment what biodiversity is to living things.

It includes:

- Rocks and minerals – their types, compositions, and structures.
- Fossils – evidence of past life and environmental conditions.
- Landforms – mountains, valleys, rivers, caves, coastlines, dunes, etc.
- Soils – their types, formation processes, and distribution.
- Earth processes – such as erosion, sedimentation, volcanic activity, and plate tectonics.



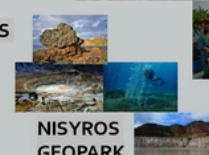
METEORA-PYLI
GEOPARK



PSILORITIS
GEOPARK



VIKOS-AOOS
GEOPARK



NISYROS
GEOPARK



SITIA
GEOPARK

Le Sentier Sous-Marin Maghroun'In, Outil de développement du Tourisme Durable

Fathi Jebalia, Imen Mezza, Hamed Jebalia et Dhaouadi Yessimine

Club des Activités de Plongée de Bizerte

Introduction

La ville de Bizerte au Nord de la Tunisie possède une Côte de 250 km de longueur sur la méditerranée.



Nous visons à minimiser l'impact environnemental tout en favorisant le développement économique et social des communautés locales. Les sentiers sous-marins représentent une opportunité unique pour allier la découverte de la biodiversité marine et la préservation des écosystèmes.

Le sentier sous- marin « Maghroum'IN » est un parcours d'environ 250 m aménagé par **des balises (fig4)** indiquant 5 stations d'observation (fig5) représentant les différents écosystèmes marins, notamment le fond Sableux, rocheux, des herbiers de Posidonie, plein eau et récifs. Chaque station est équipée de **panneaux d'information immersés** et de bouées permet aux visiteurs d'explorer les fonds marins de manière immersive et éducative. Ce concept innovant vise à promouvoir le tourisme durable en alliant la découverte de la biodiversité marine, sensibilisation à la préservation des écosystèmes et développement économique local.



Objectif 1: Sensibilisation à la Biodiversité Marine : Éduquer les visiteurs sur les écosystèmes marins, leur importance et les menaces qui pèsent sur eux.

Objectif 3: Développement Économique Local : Stimuler l'économie locale en attirant des touristes et en créant des emplois liés à l'accueil, à la plongée et aux activités nautiques.

Objectif 2: Protection de l'Environnement : Promouvoir des pratiques respectueuses de l'environnement pour minimiser l'impact du tourisme sur les habitats marins.

Objectif 4: Encouragement de la Science Participative : Impliquer les communautés locales et les chercheurs dans la collecte de données sur la biodiversité, favorisant ainsi une gestion durable des ressources marines.



Caractère innovant du projet / Innovative nature of the project

Réalisation dans le cadre d'un Projet de Fin d'Études (PFE) : (fig 6)

Ce sentier sous-marin a été développé dans le cadre d'un Projet de Fin d'Études, permettant d'allier théorie et pratique, tout en formant les étudiants aux enjeux du tourisme durable.

Choix du site basé sur des critères scientifiques :

Le site du sentier a été sélectionné à travers des critères scientifiques rigoureux, garantissant ainsi son intérêt écologique et sa capacité à soutenir la biodiversité marine.

Utilisation de la science participative :

Le processus de sélection et de mise en place du sentier a impliqué la science participative. Les communautés locales, les chercheurs et les plongeurs ont collaboré pour collecter des données, évaluer l'état des écosystèmes et proposer des solutions durables.

Sentier mobile :

Ce sentier sous-marin est conçu pour être mobile, ce qui permet de le déplacer facilement entre plusieurs sites préalablement sélectionnés. Cette flexibilité garantit que le sentier respecte les critères écologiques et contribue à la durabilité en minimisant l'impact sur un seul site.

Activités proposées : Plongée libre et snorkeling, Randonnées PMT, Kayak et paddle, Visites guidées éducatives,



Conclusion :

Les sentiers sous-marins offrent une expérience enrichissante tout en contribuant à la préservation de notre environnement. En choisissant un tourisme durable, nous protégeons les merveilles marines pour les générations futures.

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UrbamarBio: Sensibilisation et science citoyenne

UrbamarBio est un projet de science citoyenne qui permet aux citoyens de mener des recherches et de sensibiliser à la richesse côtière et marine de la région métropolitaine de Barcelone.

Ce projet est organisé par Anàl·lides, une entité qui fournit des services environnementaux marins.



Notre ville, Badalona, est une ville côtière située au nord-est de Barcelone, en Espagne. Elle est connue pour sa combinaison d'héritage historique et de vie urbaine moderne.

Objectifs

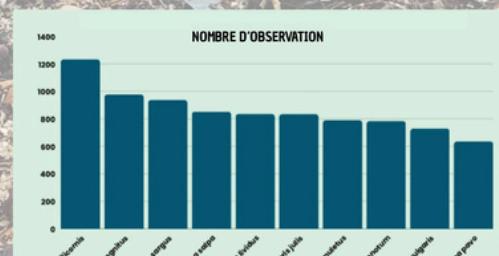
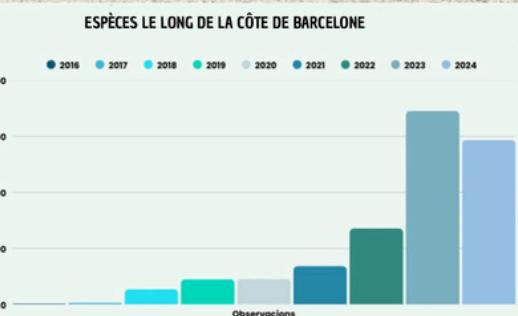
- Rapprocher la science des citoyens et encourager leur participation aux processus scientifiques et à la collecte de données.
- promouvoir l'expérimentation et la science pratique auprès des plus jeunes.
- Fournir des connaissances sur la biodiversité marine des plages accessibles afin d'encourager leur utilisation durable et leur préservation.
- Approfondir l'observation et la connaissance de la biodiversité urbaine.
- Créer le premier guide photographique de la côte de Barcelone réalisé grâce à la participation citoyenne.



Observations

L'objectif principal du projet est de mettre en valeur les ressources naturelles des plages en détectant les espèces marines lors de séances de plongée libre ou avec bouteilles, où toute la biodiversité observée est photographiée et téléchargée sur la plateforme citoyenne MINKA

Évolution des données de 2016 à 2024





Le Tourisme Durable

Green Tourisme Club

Lycée Petit Prince, Istanbul

Introduction: *Le tourisme durable vise à voyager en respectant la nature, la culture et les habitants, tout en limitant l'impact environnemental et en soutenant les populations locales.*

Problèmes du tourisme classique:

- Pollution
- Dégradation des écosystèmes
- Consommation excessive d'eau

Notre réponse:

"Le Green Tourisme Club"

- Création: Fondé par les élèves du Lycée Petit Prince
- Mission: Promouvoir les bonnes pratiques du tourisme durable

Nos actions principales:

- Site éducatif,
- Sensibilisation des élèves,
- Projets d'échanges avec d'autres écoles,
- Nettoyage de sites touristiques.

Nil Otraç & Nupel Karaağaç



Nos objectifs:

- Créer un réseau d'élèves d'ambassadeurs du tourisme durable,
- Organiser une journée,
- Greentravel's l'école.



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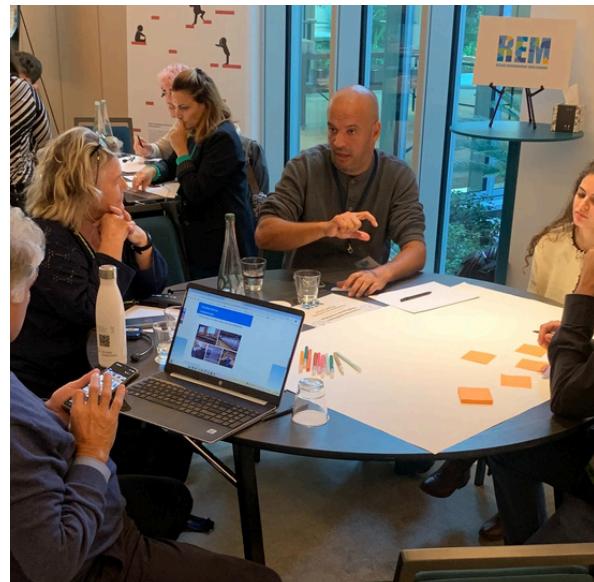


"Voyager vert, c'est préserver notre avenir."

TUESDAY

Cross-disciplinary workshop

The cross-disciplinary workshop created a real dynamic of cooperation between the delegations, each contributing its own culture, experience and understanding of the Mediterranean region. Divided into four mixed groups, the participants worked on real issues related to sustainable tourism. Their mission: to identify the challenges, propose concrete solutions, analyse the limitations and imagine avenues for development for responsible Mediterranean tourism.



Discussions focused on ways to attract responsible tourists, particularly through a modern digital strategy. The cross-disciplinary workshop revealed a creative young generation capable of proposing pragmatic and innovative solutions.

These contributions provide a solid foundation for the development of future projects aimed at preserving the Mediterranean.

The different groups imagined four ecotourism initiatives for more sustainable practices:

- Waste collection during water sports activities
- Organisation of zero-waste conferences
- Raising awareness among tourists directly in hotels
- Creation of a sustainable ecolodge in Lesbos (Greece)



TUESDAY

Round table discussion: "Working together for more sustainable tourism in the Mediterranean"

To conclude the second day, participants attended a round table discussion open to the general public upon registration, on the topic of 'Working together for more sustainable Mediterranean tourism'.

This round table took place in the Venus 3 room, provided by the AC Hotel Nice. The round table was particularly appreciated by participants and delegations. It opened up concrete prospects for developing sustainable, attractive and resilient tourism by promoting existing initiatives and encouraging collaboration between the various stakeholders in the Mediterranean region. It was a key moment of the day and provided a solid basis for continuing discussions and ongoing projects.

It enabled all our delegations to better understand the importance of collaboration between stakeholders in a region in order to achieve a successful ecological transition in a high-stakes economic sector.



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'Tourism in the face of climate change: understanding, anticipating, adapting'



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'Cycling tourism: rethinking tourist mobility with respect for the environment'



Anne-Laure Dusoir
Responsible Tourism and RSE Project Manager - Nice Côte d'Azur Metropolitan Tourist Office
'Nice, a sustainable destination: the OTM NCA's Sustainable Tourism strategy'



Philippos Drousiotis
Executive Chairman – Cyprus Sustainable Tourism Initiative (CSTI)
'20 years of action for sustainable tourism in Cyprus: lessons learned and prospects for the Mediterranean'



Céline Renouard
Project Manager - Beyond Plastic Med
'Tourism and plastic pollution: Transforming hotel practices'



Céline Brossard
Director of CDMM
'The Interreg Marittimo EdA-Z project: adventure experience for Generation Z'.



TUESDAY

Round table discussion: "Working together for more sustainable tourism in the Mediterranean"

This round table highlighted:

- the need for Mediterranean regions to adapt quickly to the effects of climate change;
- the rise of CSR initiatives in the tourism sector;
- the importance of concrete actions, particularly the reduction of single-use plastics;
- the growing interest in low-impact forms of tourism (cycling, nature immersion);
- the essential role of cooperation between public, private and voluntary sector actors;
- the genuine desire among younger generations to travel differently, in a more responsible and environmentally conscious way.



The exchange with the audience was a highlight, enriching the discussions. Eric Raulet from DéfisMed and Jean-Pierre Lozato-Giotart, president of the SOS Grand Bleu association, spoke in particular to provide essential additional information on the topics addressed by the speakers.

WENESDAY

Conclusion & Perspectives

On the closing day of the event, we carried out a review of the event to obtain feedback from the delegations on the three days.

The delegations emphasized the high quality of the organization and the proposed program. However, they also highlighted additional needs that we will endeavor to take into consideration for future editions. Among these needs, they asked us for help and, above all, support with their visa applications.

We would like to extend our warmest thanks to all the delegations for their exemplary participation in this latest edition of the Assises. We are particularly grateful to all those who managed to bring students with them. This point was greatly appreciated by our elected representatives and funders.

The delegations, and young people in particular, emphasised their desire to carry out a joint project on the Mediterranean. The theme of the next Assises will be decided in consultation with future participants.

Some expressed their wish to focus on the issue of plastic pollution. This theme is expected to be refined in the near future.



FURTHEMORE

International relations

We were able to forge an additional link with Col·legi Badalonès de Secundària, one of whose students is working on a protocol for collecting and analysing beach waste in Spain. A fruitful exchange of ideas and perspectives enabled us to pool our respective knowledge and tools and open up new avenues for reflection.

Conviviality

The Youth and Mediterranean meetings offers convivial moments rich in experience sharing. This was particularly true of the closing dinner, held on Tuesday evening at the AC Hotel Nice (which has been awarded the Green Key label in keeping with the theme of sustainable tourism), which provided us with an opportunity for a festive moment where we could get to know each other better in an informal setting.



We look forward to seeing you again and/or meeting you for the **27th edition...**

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