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This bi-annual newsletter is dedicated to sharing news, events and updates from CEETO project. Enjoy reading!

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Foreword

Dear readers, dear friends,

After three years of work, in which the CEETO partnership has strived to do an extensive research and promotion on Sustainable Tourism practices in Europe, we would like to announce you that this project is coming to an end.

Nonetheless, being CEETO an initiative that was designed to have a long-lasting impact, the closure of the project will not mean that the path we opened will be suddenly interrupted. Contrary to that, CEETO project has been the framework in which professional relationships have been built, useful knowledge has been gathered and great outcomes have been produced. Hence, we trust that all these relationships, tools and experiences will pave the way that leads us to a more responsible and sustainable tourism management in European Protected Areas.

In this bulletin, last of the project, we want thus to present you the main outcomes that have been produced during CEETO life, along with an update on the latest project news and other inputs related to Sustainable Tourism that may be of your interest. Thanks for being with us all this time and happy readings!

CEETO highlights

Below, you will find a collection of some of the most relevant outcomes produced within CEETO project:

Tools for developing Sustainable Tourism in Protected Areas

CEETO project has brought the opportunity to collect a wide array of information, results and lessons on the design and implementation of Sustainable Tourism practices across Europe. In order to make all this knowledge available to the public, the project has produced three main outcomes to support the work of the different actors involved in Sustainable Tourism development at all levels, from stakeholders, to protected area managers and policy makers:

- [Handbook on Successful - Innovative Practices in Europe \(for all audiences\)](#);
- [Guidelines for a Sustainable Tourism in Protected Areas \(for policy makers\)](#);
- [Manual of Sustainable Tourism governance for Protected Area managers.](#)



CEETO Network and Platform

After the CEETO project closure, the [CEETO Network and its Platform](#) will remain as the project's main contact point, in which all the documents, including the above, and communication materials could be found. Furthermore, the CEETO Platform aims to facilitate the exchange of ideas and knowledge between sustainable Tourism professionals and foster collaboration in future projects. Registration to the CEETO Platform is open and free of charge.



"A Sustainable Journey" - the CEETO Film on Sustainable Tourism

If you want to be inspired, about why we believe Sustainable Tourism is Good for Nature and Good for People. Then take, A Sustainable Journey. [Watch "A Sustainable Journey"](#), EUROPARC's award winning film, in 5 languages, created within CEETO project.

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CEETO Brochure: outcomes & success stories

Produced in the last phase of CEETO project, this brochure presents some of the best Sustainable Tourism actions tested during the project implementation and the main project outcomes. [Download and share the Brochure in different languages.](#)

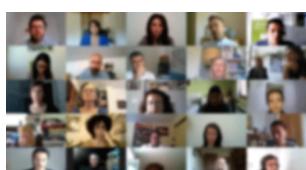


Work in progress



[CEETO Final Conference - a look into the future for the development of Sustainable Tourism in Protected Areas](#)

May 14th, online - CEETO project celebrated its final Conference to present the main outcomes of the project and the state of art of Sustainable Tourism practices in Protected Areas from the hand of different experts on the field.



[Webinar on Sustainable Tourism in Protected Areas: from design to implementation - the experience of CEETO project](#)

May 8th, online - The webinar was a great opportunity for Protected Area managers and policy makers to get to know the CEETO tools for developing Sustainable Tourism and learn from specific examples on the ground.



[Via audio-tour through the Zicker Mountains Nature Reserve, Germany](#)

March 9th, Groß Zicker, Germany - In the framework of CEETO project, the UNESCO Biosphere Reserve Southeast Rügen Managing Authority developed an audio-tour across the Zicker Mountains to raise awareness on the natural values of the area.

[CEETO project synergies with the European Charter Awards 2019](#)

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Committee of the Regions, the 2019's edition of the European Charter Awards counted with a specific section dedicated to CEETO project and the recently established CEETO Network.

Related news

New Action Plan for the Appennino Tosco-Emiliano MaB Reserve, Italy

February 19th, Italy - The Biosphere Reserve MaB Appennino Tosco-Emiliano presented its New Action Plan, which includes 70 activities, at the University of Parma.

Ente Parchi Emilia Centrale, ready for the ECST application

December 4th, Italy - 70 projects complete the dossier with which the Park Authority will present its application for the European Charter for Sustainable Tourism in the Protected Areas of Central Emilia.

Natura 2000 Award finalists to be announced – get ready to vote for your favourite!

The European Commission will announce the 2020 Natura 2000 Award finalists in its five categories on 2 June, along with the launching of the Public Vote for the coveted European Citizens' Award. Get ready to vote!

Sustainable Tourism Training for Tomorrow (STTfT)

An online repository of modules brimming with real life experiences, in four languages and to which CEETO project has actively contributed with materials and promotion. Learn the basic principles of Sustainable Tourism and equip you, your park and your business for the challenges of tomorrow. Visit the STTfT website and register for free.

Call to Action in COVID19 times

EUROPARC has started to collect examples on post-COVID19 management measures implemented by Protected Areas across Europe in order to assist others in the development of new operational procedures for Parks reopening. You can share your examples through this [Online Document](#).

Information Sharing Event: Outdoor Sports in Protected Areas

March 3rd, Brussels - EUROPARC and ENOS organised an Information Sharing Event in Brussels, focused on reinforcing the connection between nature conservation and outdoor sports, sustainable tourism and the nature sector, and to bring in the European Commission's perspective.

ABOUT CEETO

CEETO, or *Central Europe Eco-Tourism: tools for nature protection* is an interregional cooperation project developed with the support of the EU European Regional Development Fund and composed by 11 project partners:

- Emilia-Romagna Region – Protected Areas, Forestry and Mountains Development Department, Italy.
- EUROPARC Federation, Germany.
- UNESCO Biosphere Reserve Salzburger Lungau, Austria.
- Soelktaeler Nature Park, Austria.
- NIMFEA Environment and Nature Conservation Association, Hungary.
- Authority for the Biosphere Reserve South East Ruegen, Germany.
- Italian Federation of Parks and Nature Reserves - EUROPARC Italy, Italy.
- Regional Development Centre Koper, Slovenia.
- Public Institution Nature Park Medvenica, Croatia.

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Additionally, the project counts with six Advisory partners and aims to protect and enhance the natural heritage of Protected Areas and Natura 2000 Network by promoting an innovative sustainable tourism planning model.

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