

# CHAMOIS INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS

**Majella National Park, Italy**  
**Lama dei Peligni, June, 17<sup>th</sup>- 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014**



*Third circular*



The chamois International congress is part of the **Life coornata Project**,  
whose coordinating beneficiary is the Majella National Park

In the **Majella National Park**



and in the

**Gran Sasso e Monti della Laga**



**National Park**

44 chamois have been trapped to



continue the reintroduction action in  
the



**Monti Sibillini National Park**



start the reintroduction  
action in the



**Sirente velino Natural Park**

Thanks to the activity developed during this project, the reintroduction  
activity in the Monti Sibillini National Park is concluded and in the Sirente  
Velino Natural Park is now living the first nucleus of 9 Apennine chamois

In the **Abruzzo, Lazio e Molise National Park**

where the last ancient population

still lives, 23 chamois have been

trapped and monitored and a specific

conservation Plan is now ready





The Life Coornata Project partnership is pleased  
to invite you to the

# CHAMOIS INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS

that will be held on June, 17th - 20th in Lama dei Peligni (CH),  
Majella National Park, Central Italy



For the first time experts coming from the geographic area



comprised between Spain and Caucasus will meet

to share the knowledge and

discuss conservation issues regarding **all the subspecies**

of northern (*Rupicapra rupicapra*) and southern (*Rupicapra pyrenaica*)

chamois

English will be the official language of the Congress but English-  
Italian simultaneous translation will be guaranteed

During the Congress will also be developed the parallel session

(only in Italian)

**"Il camoscio appenninico nell'esperienza delle comunità  
locali: tra conservazione della specie e valorizzazione del  
territorio"**

You will have the possibility to enjoy your stay in the  
Majella National Park also joining all the activities that  
will be developed during the Congress week, such as

**field trips**, the **social dinner**, **photography  
exhibitions**,

**picture slideshows** and **documentary  
projections**





# SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

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**June, 17h**

**Welcome and institutional greetings**

**Life Coornata Project results presentation:**

- **Introduction to the Life Coornata Project**
- **Environmental Ministry (MATTM) and Superior Institute for the Environmental Protection and Research (ISPRA)**
- **Majella National Park**
- **Gran Sasso e Monti della Laga National Park**
- **Monti Sibillini National Park**
- **Sirente Velino Natural Park**
- **Abruzzo, Lazio e Molise National Park**
- **University of Torino, Italy**
- **University of Milano, Italy**
- **SEFaS, Wildlife Health Service, Spain**
- **Legambiente O.N.L.U.S.**

**All the oral presentations will be in Italian but Italian-English simultaneous translation will be guaranteed**



# SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME – June 18th

## The genus *Rupicapra*: an overview

*keynote speaker Sandro Lovari*

- **The evolutionary biology of chamois: old views, new insights and grey areas**  
*Sandro Lovari, Italy*
- **Biogeography of chamois. What different molecular markers can tell us**  
*Trinidad Pèrez, Spain*

## Session I: Status and ecology of chamois subspecies

*Chairman and keynote speaker: Juan Herrero*

- **Monitoring and management of Pyrenean chamois in Aragon**  
*R. p. pyrenaica*  
*Juan Herrero, Spain*
- ***Rupicapra pyrenaica parva*: history and story**  
*Carlos Nores, Spain*
- **Some teaching from the following of chamois (*Rupicapra pyrenaica pyrenaica*) individuals in a protected population of the Pyrenees National Park**  
*Jean Paul Crampe, France*
- **Etho-Ecology of the Alpine chamois: current knowledge and future perspectives**  
*R. r. rupicapra*  
*Luca Corlatti, Italy*



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- **Life is a risky business: status and conservation perspectives of the last ancient population of endemic Apennine chamois**  
*Rupicapra pyrenaica ornata*  
*Roberta Latini, Italy*
- **Balkan chamois (*Rupicapra rupicapra balcanica*) in Bulgaria - mapping and defining the conservation status of the subspecies**  
*Kostadin Valchev, Bulgaria*
- **Tatra chamois at its top - story of 145 years of protection**  
*R. r. tatrica*  
*Tomasz Zwijacz Kozica, Poland*
- **Conservation management of Balkan chamois (*Rupicapra rupicapra balcanica*) in Greece**  
*Haritakis I. Papaioannou, Greece*
- **Ecology and conservation of the chamois in Georgia, the Caucasus**  
*R. r. caucasica*  
*Gavashelishvili Lexo, Georgia*
- **Status and management of Anatolian chamois (*Rupicapra rupicapra asiatica*): implications for conservation**  
*Huseyin Ambarli, Turkey*

**Final discussion and conclusions**



# SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME - June 19th

## Session II: The role of reintroductions in chamois conservation

### *Chairman and keynote speaker Pritpal Soorae*

- **Guidelines for reintroductions and other conservation translocations and their role in ungulate and mountain ecosystems**  
*Pritpal Soorae, United Arab Emirates*
- **Reintroduction of Balkan chamois (*Rupicapra rupicapra balcanica*) in Vitosha Nature Park, Bulgaria**  
*Simeon Arangelov, Bulgaria*
- **Chamois (*Rupicapra rupicapra carpatica*) reintroductions in the Piatra Craiului National Park, Romania**  
*Mircea Verghelet, Romania*
- **Introduction of Tatra chamois to the Nízke Tatry Mountains**  
*R. r. tatrica*  
*Peter Backor, Slovakia*
- **The reintroduction of the Apennine chamois (*Rupicapra pyrenaica ornata*): the story of a successful conservation action**  
*Life Coornata staff, Italy*
- **A 25 years long story of Cartusiana chamois: what about the output of the restoration plan?**  
*R. r. cartusiana*  
*Jacques Michallet, France*
- **Chamois reintroduction in the Oriental Mountain of Cantabria, north of Spain: a ten-year experience of a non-profit private organization**  
*R. p. parva*  
*Fundación Naturaleza y Hombre, Spain*



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## Session III: Threats and conservation

### Chairman and keynote speaker Marco Festa-Bianchet

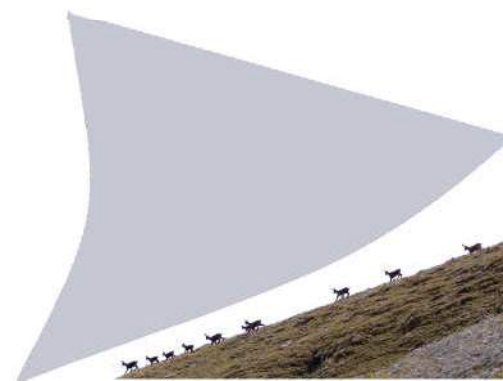
- **Evolutionarily sustainable management of chamois and other mountain ungulates**  
*Marco Festa-Bianchet, Canada*
- **Diseases of *Rupicapra spp.* at the interface with livestock and other ungulates**  
*Luca Rossi, Italy*
- **Seasonal habitat displacement of chamois by red deer in the Swiss National Park?**  
*R. r. rupicapra*  
*Pia Anderwald, Switzerland*
- **Alpine chamois population dynamics: the role of infectious diseases**  
*R. r. rupicapra*  
*Bruno Bassano, Italy*
- **Diseases affecting Pyrenean chamois (*Rupicapra pyrenaica pyrenaica*) populations**  
*SEFaS, Wildlife Health Service, Spain*
- **Genetic variability at adaptive and neutral markers in the endangered tatric chamois subspecies**  
*R. r. tatrica*  
*Serena Cavallero, Italy*

### Introduction of the *Rupicapra* Group

*Luca Corlatti, Italy*

### Poster session

**June 20th - Field trips**







## How to participate

**PARTICIPATION IS FREE** but advance registration is required

To participate with your own **POSTER** send the abstract file (max 2500 characters, included spaces) to the e-mail address

[chamois.congress@gmail.com](mailto:chamois.congress@gmail.com)

## How to register

The registration is opened and you can quickly and easily do it going to the Congress website



[www.chamoiscongress.wix.com/website](http://www.chamoiscongress.wix.com/website)

where you can find the "Registration" page

## Deadlines

- The registration will be possible until May, 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014
- The poster submission will be possible until May, 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014

**Lunches will be offered by the organization while logistic information on accommodation and restaurants are now available in the Congress website**

**Info:** [www.chamoiscongress.wix.com/website](http://www.chamoiscongress.wix.com/website)  
[chamois.congress@gmail.com](mailto:chamois.congress@gmail.com)

Participation is limited to a maximum of 150 persons







## Congress venue

The chamois International congress will be held in **Lama dei Peligni**, Majella National Park, Abruzzo, a village that played and still plays an essential role in the conservation of the Apennine chamois, where the first chamois have been released for the constitution of the Majella Massif population and where there is one of the most important captive breeding areas.



To know how to reach Lama dei Peligni and to plan your stay, visit the **Chamois**

**International Congress website**



where you will find all the information about the congress venue and accomodation.



**We are looking forward to welcoming you  
in Lama dei Peiligni!**



The Chamois International Congress has received  
the official endorsement of:



Caprinae Specialist Group



Reintroduction Specialist Group



Coordinatore beneficiario:



Beneficiari associati:

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