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Online Event

Mountain Biodiversity Matters

International Mountain Day 2020

11 DECEMBER
International
MOUNTAIN DAY
2020

AGENDA

11 December 2020
14:30 – 16:15 CET

<https://fao.zoom.us/j/96856145320>

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Moderator

Yuka Makino

Mountain Partnership Secretariat
Coordinator,
Food and Agriculture Organization of the
United Nations



IMD video by **Jake Norton**,
music by **Ludovico Einaudi**



Maria Helena Semedo

Deputy Director-General,
Food and Agriculture Organization of the
United Nations

Opening remarks



Andrea Macchioni

Coordinator for the Environment,
Directorate General for Development
Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Italy

The role of the Mountain Partnership in
supporting sustainable mountain development



Josep Maria Casals

Director of Agriculture, Environment and
Sustainability, Principality of Andorra

The role of research in supporting sustainable
pastures and grazing practices in mountains



Tsukasa Hirota

Minister, Deputy Head of Mission,
Embassy of Japan in Italy

Building the resilience of mountain peoples



Mirgul Moldoisaeva

Permanent Representative of the Kyrgyz
Republic to the UN

The role of the Friends of Mountains in promoting
the Mountain Agenda



François Pythoud

Special Envoy for International
Sustainable Agriculture, Swiss Federal
Office for Agriculture

Mountain biodiversity is key for
achieving the 2030 Agenda

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Round Table

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ACCELERATING ACTION FOR MOUNTAINS

ROUND TABLE MODERATED BY YUKA MAKINO



Announcement of winners
of International Mountain
Day 2020 mountain
biodiversity photo contest



Queen Noëlla Bwiza
Albertine Rift Conservation Society

Youth action and education programmes
in Rwanda



Peter Muir
International Climbing and
Mountaineering Federation

The role of the climbing community



Sunita Chaudhary
International Centre for Integrated
Mountain Development

Local knowledge and mountain biodiversity in
the Hindu Kush Himalaya



Yoko Watanabe
United Nations Development Programme
Global Environment Facility Small Grants
Programme

Scaling up support to mountain producers for
agrobiodiversity with the Mountain Partnership
Products Initiative



Anita Paul
Pan Himalayan Grassroots Development
Foundation

The role of diversity on the plate: mountain
recipes from mountain cooks, how to cook
purple rice pudding

Goodwill Ambassadors

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ROUND TABLE OF CHAMPIONS FOR MOUNTAINS: MOUNTAIN PARTNERSHIP GOODWILL AMBASSADORS



Moderator

Jake Norton
Climber and filmmaker



Ludovico Einaudi
Pianist and composer



Arjun Gupta
Founder, TeleSoft
Partners



**His Holiness
Drikung Kyabgön
Chetsang**



**Reinhold
Messner**
Mountaineer



**Massimiliano
Ossini**
TV presenter



Lino Zani
TV producer
and author



Mira Rai

Introducing Mira Rai, trail and sky runner



Ludovico Einaudi

Concluding piano piece
by Ludovico Einaudi