

“Rewilding in Italy: state of the art and future perspectives”

3-4-5 November 2023, Gioia dei Marsi

Provisional programme¹

Friday 3 November

8:30 - 9:15	Registration of participants	Team of Rewilding Apennines
<u>I session</u>	The strategy of Rewilding Apennines for a wilder Apennine	Moderator: Piero Visconti , Board member and scientific supervisor of Rewilding Apennines
9:15 - 9:20	Institutional greetings	Gianluca Alfonsi , Mayor of Gioia dei Marsi
9:20 - 9:30	Short film "Central Apennines. A rewilding journey", by Bruno D'Amicis and Umberto Esposito	Piero Visconti presents , Board member and scientific supervisor of Rewilding Apennines
9:30 - 9:45	The benefits of rewilding for the local communities	Antonio Carrara , Chairman of Rewilding Apennines
9:45 - 10:00	The rewilding movement in Europe	Piero Visconti , Board member and scientific supervisor of Rewilding Apennines
10:00 - 10:15	Rewilding Apennines, 10 years after: the story of rewilding in Italy	Bruno D'Amicis , Vice chairman of Rewilding Apennines
10:15 - 10:30	Rewilding: fashion or necessity?	Izabella Zwack , Board member of Rewilding Apennines
10:30 - 11:00	Commitments and challenges of the rewilding initiatives in the Central Apennines	Mario Cipollone , Team Leader of Rewilding Apennines
11:00 - 11:20	Coffee break	
<u>II session</u>	Living with wildlife in the Central Apennines	Moderator: Piero Visconti
11:20 - 11:50	Objectives and actions of the LIFE Bear-Smart Corridors initiative	Annette Mertens , Project manager of LIFE Bear-Smart Corridors – Rewilding Europe Fabien Quetier , Rewilding landscape coordinator - Rewilding Europe
11:50 - 12:40	The Bear Smart Communities in the Central Apennines: challenges and opportunities	Antonio Di Croce , Director of Monte Genzana Alto Gizio Nature Reserve Serena Frau , Conservation Biologist at Salviamo l'Orso Fabrizio Cordischi , Field Operations Manager of Rewilding Apennines

¹ Il programma del seminario può subire variazioni.

		Luciano Sammarone , Director of Abruzzo, Lazio and Molise National Park
		Paola Morini , Biologist of Sirente Velino Regional Park
12:40 - 13:00	Research to map the perspectives of human-bear coexistence in the Central Apennines	Paula Mayer , Institute for Planning of Landscape and Urban Systems (PLUS), ETH Zurich
13:00 - 13:20	Discussion. The implementation of coexistence best practices with large carnivores	
13:20 - 14:30	Lunch break	
<u>III session</u>	Financial and legislative tools to support nature conservation	Moderator: Donato Pinto , Financial Manager of Rewilding Apennines
14:30 - 14:50	The role of the private sector in the initiative of conservation and restoration of nature	Valerio Reale , Enterprise Manager of Rewilding Apennines
14:50 - 15:10	The evolution of the EU LIFE programme and the European Biodiversity Strategy for 2030	Annette Mertens , LIFE Project Manager - Rewilding Europe
15:10 - 15:30	Rewilding credits and ecosystem services	Fabien Quetier , Rewilding landscape coordinator - Rewilding Europe
15:30 - 15:50	The sustainable management of private lands: opportunities for the communities	Caterina Palombo , Coop. ETICAE
15:50 - 16:10	The legal framework of rewilding	Giulia Testa , Coordinator of European Young Rewilders of Rewilding Europe
16:10 - 16:30	Coffee break	
16:30 - 17:30	Discussion. Nature conservation: a collective challenge	
17:45 - 18:45	Poster session 1	6 posters (10' presentation per poster)
20:00	Dinner	
21:30 - 22:45	Screening of documentaries: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dambusters (66'), by World Wildlife Fund (WWF), Magen Entertainment, World Fish Migration Foundation (WFMF) VULTURE: The Story of the Bearded Vulture (11'), by Lizzie Daly 	Rewilding Apennines team presents

Saturday 4 November

<u>IV session</u>	Biodiversity on the move in Italy	Moderator: Elisabetta Tosoni , Biologist
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9:00 – 9:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Italy, the country with the greatest biodiversity in Europe: reality or legend, problem or resource? Species that return on their own or expand their range. General framework 	Andrea Monaco , Zoologist of ISPRA
9:45 - 10:10	The golden jackal: on the move southward	Luca Lapini , Zoologist at the Friuli Museum of Natural History of Udine
10:10 – 10:30	Coffee break	
10:30 – 11:30	Species that come back as a result of successful reintroductions in the Apennines. The return of the Apennine chamois	Roberta Latini , Biologist and Scientific Manager of Abruzzo, Lazio and Molise National Park
		Paola Morini , Biologist of Sirente Velino Regional Park
		Alessandro Rossetti , Biologist of Monti Sibillini National Park
11:30 – 12:10	Vultures in the Central Apennines: current situation and future perspectives	Mario Posillico , Biologist at Carabinieri Biodiversità of Castel di Sangro
		Nicolò Borgianni , Vulture Field Officer of Rewilding Apennines
12:10 - 12:30	State of conservation of the Golden eagle	Filippo La Civita , Biologist at Carabinieri Biodiversità of Castel di Sangro
12:30 – 13:00	Questions and answers	
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch break	
14:30 – 15:00	The white-clawed crayfish in the Central Apennines	Tommaso Pagliani , Biologist
		Giuseppe Di Renzo , Manager of the white-clawed crayfish breeding center in Borrello
15:00 - 15:20	Freshwater fish and environmental changes	Amilcare D'Orsi , Ichthyologist Marco Seminara , Hydrobiologist
15:20 - 15:50	Amphibians and reptiles. State of conservation	Leonardo Vignoli , Biologist and Associated professor at Università Roma Tre
15:50 - 16:10	Coffee break	
16:10 - 16:50	Plant biodiversity in the central Apennines. What changes for the future?	Carmelo Gentile , Scientific manager and forest doctor at Abruzzo, Lazio and Molise National Park
16:50 - 17:20	The conservation challenges for the insects' world	University of Pisa
17:30 - 18:30	Poster Session 2	6 posters (10' presentation per poster)
20:00	Dinner	
21:30 - 22:15	Storytelling: stories and legends about the plants' world	Anna Lisa Cantelmi, herbalist
22:30 - 23:30	Concert of traditional music	In the process of being defined

Sunday 5 November

<u>V session</u>	From reintroductions to the protection of species and habitats: the active rewilding	Moderator: Mario Cipollone , Team Leader of Rewilding Apennines
9:00 – 9:30	Species that have become established as a result of reintroductions or intentional and unintentional introductions. General framework	In the process of being defined
9:30 – 10:00	The return of the Eurasian beaver in the Central Apennines	Emiliano Mori , Conservation Biologist of CNR
10:00 – 11:00	Initiatives of river ecosystems restoration in the Central Apennines	Ileana Schipani , River ecologist Simone Giovacchini , Biologist and PhD student at Università degli Studi del Molise
11:00 – 11:20	Coffee break	
11:20 – 11:40	Strategies to combat the biodiversity loss	In the process of being defined
11:40 – 12:20	Application of environmental protection regulations. Magnifying glass on anti-poison strategy.	Massimiliano Di Vittorio , Central Department of Carabinieri Biodiversità
12:20 – 13:15	Round table “Future perspectives” Strategies to protect, restore and boost the biodiversity in Italy Staff from public bodies and representatives of environmental associations will be present.	
13:15 – 14:30	Lunch break	
	Greetings, commitments and future appointments	