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**Biodiversity and Climate Change in Interaction:
Creating new life possibilities
The 3rd Assises
9 and 10 February, 2015
UNESCO
Room XI**

The 2015 *Assises* take forward dialogues during the 2012 and 2013 editions: **frank and open discussions between actors and stakeholders from diverse backgrounds**, committed to sharing and exchanging ideas, as well as determined to overcome obstacles and impossibilities, whether real or perceived, arising from climate change and its interactions with biodiversity. **A dialogue and exchanges to prepare a milestone event.**

The 2015 *Assises* will bring together **scientists, civil society, responsible and engaged citizens, young people, entrepreneurs, artists**, etc., who will discuss the links between biodiversity and climate change in the run-up to the 21st Conference of the Parties to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change, which will be held in Paris in December 2015.

A new and optimistic look at climate change

Confronted with alarming signals from scientists, sometimes expressed in catastrophic terms, **can we remain optimistic and mobilise to construct and dream with others?** Have we been condemned to impotence in the face of the predicted catastrophes? By refusing this impasse, we would like, on the contrary, to show that the harsh reality, established with the necessary scientific rigour, does not preclude the **mobilisation of our energy, creativity and desire** to take control of our common destiny. If mourning the death of our illusions is a necessary

step before going any further, if we must accept the facts and their implications, **there is still time to overcome the feeling of impotence and impossibility, and to imagine and create possible and desirable futures.**

Realising the value of innovative initiatives and solutions for the future

Around the world initiatives are emerging, which demonstrate that it is indeed possible to respect the renewing rhythm of ecosystems and that the use of biodiversity is not incompatible with its conservation. Far from being isolated examples and anecdotes, these initiatives of social transformation mobilize millions of people and affect every sector of the world's economy. **How best to take inspiration from these activities and networks? How can they best be mobilized, and their solutions shared with decision-makers and sceptics?** The *Assises* aims to be a space dedicated to the pursuit of this dialogue – beyond the Paris meetings – by the construction of a community of practices to share positive actions and visions in order to construct other possible worlds.

Three strong themes for two days of meetings rich in sharing

We propose to study the interactions between biodiversity and climate change around three strong themes:

- **Rethinking conservation:** towards 'no regrets' strategies
- **Developing ecological solidarity and environmental justice:** to be on the side of life
- **Being an entrepreneur differently:** linking performance and resilience

We will 'cross-check' each theme with available information and scientists' conclusions and actions and solutions being implemented at local and international levels; this will be followed by a discussion on possible presents and futures.

February 2015: a unique event

The *Assises* is one of the **first meetings to prepare the Paris Conference of the Parties (COP 21)**. These meetings aim to open the debate and stimulate discussion with all those involved in climate and biodiversity a few months ahead of a crucial international meeting.

Beyond the information-rich plenary sessions, workshops on each theme will be held – to take the scientific expression and synthesis for action further, but also to enable the meeting and expression of innovative actors and pioneers in the scientific, regulatory and entrepreneurial realms on climate change and its environmental and social impact.

Room will be made for inter-generational dialogue and co-creation in the service of action.

PROGRAMME

Monday, 9 February 2015

8.30-9.00: Registration, welcome, café

9.00-10.00: Opening

Flavia Schlegel, Assistant Director-General for Natural Sciences, UNESCO

Emmanuel Delannoy, Director, Institut INSPIRE

Hubert Reeves, President, Humanité et Biodiversité

Ségolène Royal, Minister of Ecology, Sustainable Development and Energy

10.00-11.00: General Introduction: “Climate and Biodiversity”

General introduction and major stakes: Paul Leadley (Université Paris Sud)

Roundtable on Climate/Biodiversity Interaction: Sandra Lavorel (CNRS) - Alain Grandjean (Carbone 4) - Arun Agrawal (University of Michigan) – Astrid Barthélémy (REFEDD) – Hindou Oumarou (Association des Femmes Peules Autochtones du Tchad)

11.00-11.30: Exchange between participants: preparation of collaborative workshops

11.30-12.30: Theme 1 → Rethinking conservation: towards ‘no regrets’ strategies

What is the meaning of biodiversity conservation in areas with boundaries, such as protected parks and reserves, with the hypothesis of a rise in temperatures of 4°C? What is the contribution of biodiversity to adaptation strategies? What directions should work be taking and which routes have already been explored? What possibilities remain open? What is the right balance between conservation and development?

General introduction and major stakes: Anne-Caroline Prevot (CNRS)

Roundtable: Alain Karsenty (CIRAD) – Sébastien Barrot (Vice-President CS FRB) - Han Qunli (UNESCO/MAB) - Olivier Laroussinie (Agence des aires marines protégées) – Jeanne de Kerdrel (REFEDD).

12.30-13.45: Lunch

14.00-15.30: “Conservation” Workshops

- **Which contributions from biosphere reserves to socio ecological transformations** workshop: Raphael Mathevet (CNRS/CEFE), Anne-Caroline Prevot (CNRS), Marie Christine Cormier Salem (IRD), Meriem Bouamrane (UNESCO/MAB)
- **Green and Blue Threads** workshop: Romain Sordello (MNHN), Christian Béranger (UNPG)
- **Environmental Humanities** workshop: Sandra Lavorel (CNRS), Patrick Degeorges, John Crowley (UNESCO/SHS), Liliana Motta (COAL)
- **The Place of Ecosystems in Adaptation Policies** workshop: Patrice Valentin (Dervenn)
- Collaborative workshop: “Standing up for the Living”: Les Petits Débrouillards – Bioviva – Alice Audouin (Art of Change 21) – Anne-Sophie Novel (Place to Be) – Antoine Vagnon (CallforTeam) – Vaia Tuuhia (4D) – Speakers from the ‘Conservation’ roundtable

16.00-17.30: Theme 2 → Developing ecological solidarity and environmental justice: to be on the side of life

The implementation of concepts of ecological solidarity and environmental justice: **how can policies in favour of economic development, human wellbeing and personal fulfilment be based on preservation and biodiversity?** Should we be talking about natural capital rather than nature? What instruments (organisation, means of action) are available or could be imagined? What type of organisation can be envisioned?

General introduction and major stakes: Chimère Diaw (African Model Forests Network Model)

Roundtable: Marie-Hélène Parizeau (University of Laval) - Raphaël Mathevet (CNRS/CEFE) – Rebecca Hardin (University of Michigan) - Catherine Larrère (Paris I University) – Juliette Decq (Climates)

Tuesday, 10 February, 2015

9.00-10.30: “Solidarity and Justice” Workshops

- **Ethics** workshop: Marie-Hélène Parizeau (Université de Laval), Catherine Larrère (Université Paris I), John Crowley (UNESCO/SHS)
- **Ecological solidarity and socio-ecological awareness: humans and the biosphere in the Anthropocene** workshop: Astrid Barthélémy (REFEDD) – Marie Christine Cormier Salem (IRD) – Raphael Mathevet (CNRS/CEFE)
- **Indigenous and local knowledge** workshop: Nathalie Frossard (Plantes et Planète) - Daniel Joutard (Aïny)
- Prospective workshop: **“Let’s Imagine COP 69!”**

- **Meeting the artists of COAL:** Benoit Mangin (Art orienté Objet), Thierry Boutonnier - Naziha Metsaoui - Loic Fel (COAL)

10.30-11.00: Coffee break and exchanges

11.00-12.30: Theme 3 → Being an entrepreneur differently: linking performance and resilience

How, in an uncertain context, do we uncover opportunities for entrepreneurs, and further resilient economic models? What criteria and new approaches to entrepreneurship and management are best suited to bringing together businesses' economic performance and the search for positive social and ecological impact?

General introduction and major stakes: Nathalie Frascaria Lacoste (Agro Paristech)

Roundtable: Sylvie Bénard (LVMH) - Jacques Richard (Paris Dauphine University) – Tristan Leconte (Pure Projet) - Christophe Alliot (BASIC) - Mathieu Dardaillon (Ticket for change) – Claude Fromageot (Yves Rocher)

12:30-13:45: Lunch

14:00-15.30: “Being an entrepreneur differently” workshop

- **Supply Chain** workshop: Sylvain Boucherand (B&L Evolution) - Eric Martin (Agro Stratégies et Perspectives)

- **Accountancy and Values** workshop: Jacques Richard (Paris Dauphine) – Romain Ferrari (Fondation 2019)

- **Work** workshop: Dominique Olivier (CFDT)

- **«Being an entrepreneur with and for the living»** entrepreneurs' forum: Kalina Raskin (CEEBIOS) - Alexis Kryceve (Treez/Pur Projet) - Béatrice Bienenfeld (Feuille de ville) - Coline Bouzique (Feuille de ville) - Micael Peres Pereira (Feuille de ville) - Charlotte Guenoux (Feuille de ville)- Dena Villanueva Bono (Feuille de ville) - Gabriel Bedoy (Ferme de Quartier) - Guillian Graves (Enzymes & co), Sandra Rey (Glowee) - Maxime De Rostolan (Bluebees) - Sebastien Tréguer (La Paillasse) - Vincent Hulin (CDC Climat) - Vincent Vanel (Greenation)

15.30-16.00: Coffee Break and Exchanges

16.00-17.30: Conclusions and follow-up

Synthesis of Workshops

General conclusion: Bernard Chevassus au Louis

Miscellaneous information

Venue

125, Avenue de Suffren, 75007, Paris.

Interpretation and on-line transmission

The plenary sessions (Room XI) will have simultaneous English/French interpretation. These sessions will also be streamed live on internet.

EN - mms://stream.unesco.org/live/room_11_en.wmv

FR - mms://stream.unesco.org/live/room_11_fr.wmv

Exchange and organisation

There will be several 'movements' to this event:

- **Participative plenaries** to share updates on the links between biodiversity and climate;
- **Interactive workshops** with scientific input, to advance thinking and action for biodiversity/climate interaction;
- **Opportunities for contact between civil society actors and fora for sharing citizens' initiatives** focussed on the three key themes.

UNESCO will welcome participants from a broad range of backgrounds - young people, scientists, bloggers, artists, citizens, entrepreneurs – all concretely involved in climate/biodiversity interaction and all of them proposing solutions.

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