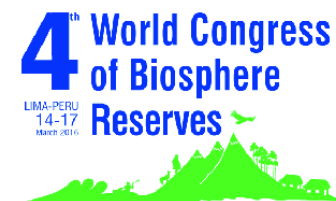


6TH MEETING OF THE GLOBAL NETWORK OF ISLAND AND COASTAL BIOSPHERE RESERVES



Lima (Perú) 15 March 2016

SUSTAINABILITY WORKING PLAN PROPOSAL FOR 2016-2017

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Presentation of the initiative to create the Observatory of Sustainability within the GNICBR

by the Menorca Secretariat of the GNICBR
Agencia Menorca Reserva de Biosfera



BACKGROUND

Exchanging of knowledge and experiences within the WNICBR is a great opportunity to learn and take a step forward in implementing at local levels the sustainable development concept.

In this sense, the Menorca BR proposed to similar and close BRs the creation of the NURBIS group (Island Biosphere Reserves and Sustainability group) to put new energies into a working plan. After the 1st meeting (November 2015) working plan draft has been outlined as a proposal to be submitted to all the members of the Network.



La Palma, 2nd November 2015

RB La Palma,
RB Lanzarote
RB Gran Canaria
RB Fuerteventura
RB La Gomera
RB El Hierro
RB Anaga (Tenerife)
RBs Azores
RB Príncipe
RB Menorca
Spanish Network
of Biosphere Reserves.

SCOPE OF THE WORKING PLAN



41 RB initially considered (participants to WNICBR meetings)

Africa 3
America 8
Asia 12

Europe 15
Oceania 3
Total 41 BR

GENERAL GOALS

REGULATIONS. To set up the foundations of the Network's internal operation regulations.

DOCUMENTATION BASIS. To create an information and documentation platform about the BRs in the Network.

COMMUNICATION. To create an active and agile communication channel among the Network members.

NETWORKING. To encourage the exchange of ongoing studies, monitoring and control programs and comparative studies of the different BRs.

TRAINING AND EXCHANGES FOR MANAGERS. To establish the basis to create an international program about training and exchange for BR managers.

SUSTAINABILITY INDICATORS. To start a joint collaboration by means of the analysis of indicators to assess the sustainability on islands and coastal areas.

SCOPE EXPANSION. To encourage inclusion of island or coastal BRs that are not yet members.

ACTIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT

GOAL 0 – REGULATORY FRAMEWORK



Action 0.1. To set up the criteria and goals for the shaping of the Network. Internal operation regulations. (La Palma BR)

Action 0.2. Expression of readiness to participate and subscription form (Fuerteventura BR)

ACTIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT

GOAL 1 – DOCUMENTARY BASIS

Action 1.1. Creation of a documentary collection about the BRs (undertaken by Menorca BR)

- BR nomination forms, monitoring and periodical assessment
- Planning and sustainable development documents
- Technical reports and scientific studies
- Informational and educational publications
- Cartographic information and images







ACTIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT

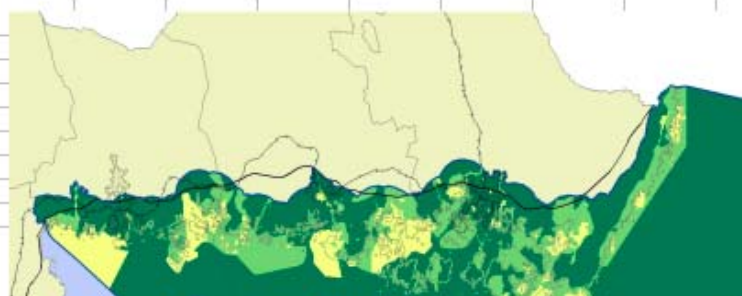
GOAL 1 – DOCUMENTARY BASIS

Action 1.2. Database of the BRs (undertaken by Menorca BR)

BR standard form with:

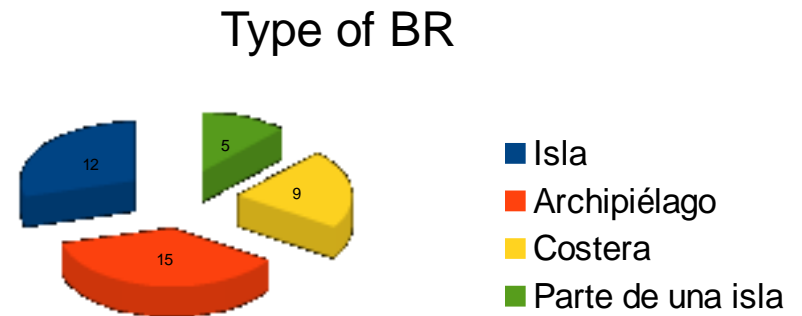
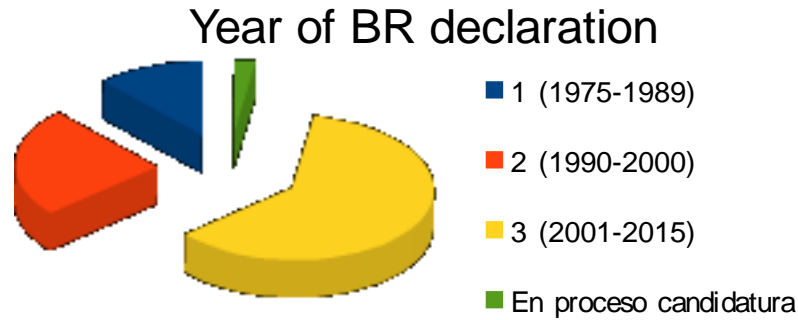
- Geographical data
- Administrative and management data
- Geoenvironmental data
- Socioeconomic data
- Environmental vectors (water, energy, waste)

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1													
2	Reserva de Biosfera	Archipiélago Blekinge											
3		(Blekinge Archipelago BR)											
4		Descripción	Campo										
5	País	Suecia	Europa										
6	Región administrativa	Condado de Blekinge											
7	Año de declaración RdB	2011	3										
8	Principales biomas	Bosques templados de frondosas y mixtos	Bosques templados de										
9													
10	Gestión												
11	Entidad gestora	Blekinge Archipelago Biosphere Reserve is organised as an NGO with members and a board	Órgano RB										
12	Dirección	Biosfärområde Blekinge Arkipelag - Soft Center Fridhemsvägen 8 372 25 RONNEBY, Sweden											
13	Teléfono	Tel: +46457 464201 Mobile: +46768 558300											
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15	Cargo												
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17	e-mail contacto	heleen@blekingearkipelag.se											
18	Persona de contacto 2	Mr. Mattias Holmquist											
19	e-mail contacto 2	info@blekingearkipelag.se											
20	Web RdB	http://www.blekingearkipelag.se/											
21	Consejo de participación	Existe un consejo social (9 miembros) y un consejo de financiadores (3 municipalidades y administración regional de Blekinge)	Órgano de participación										

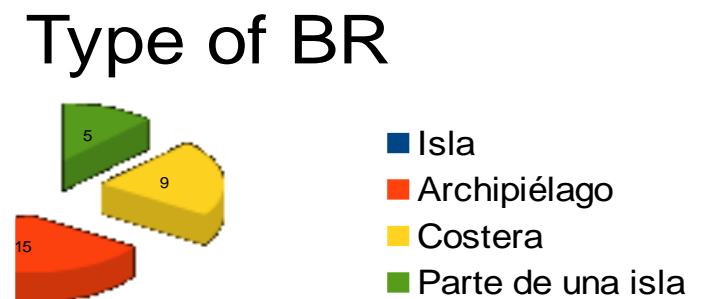
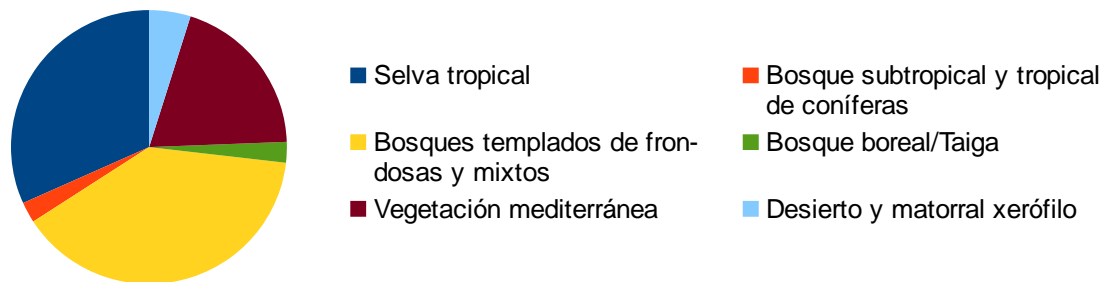


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Action 1.2. Database of the BRs (some preliminary results)



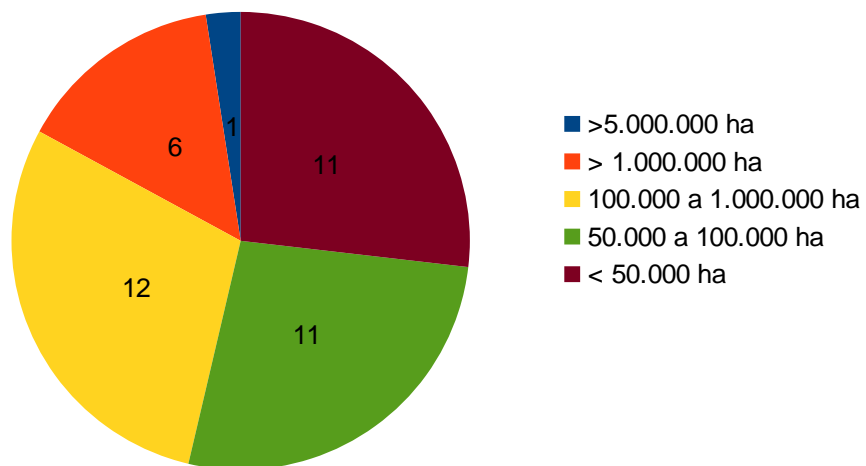
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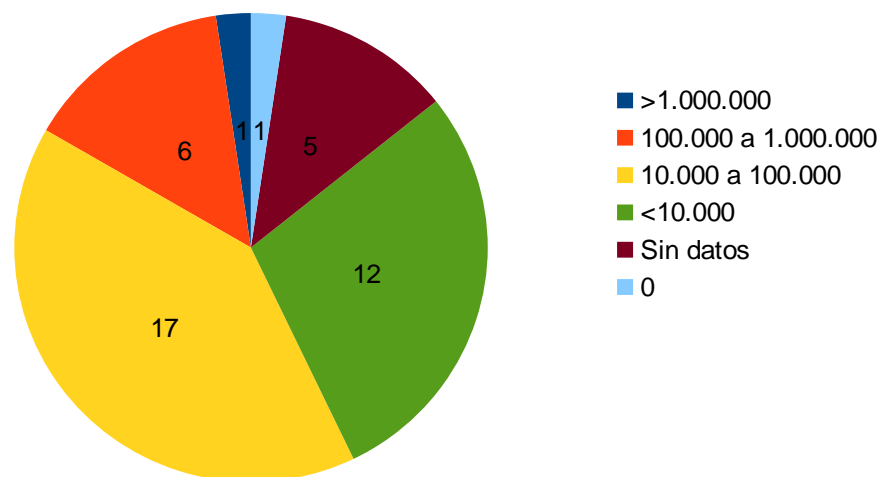
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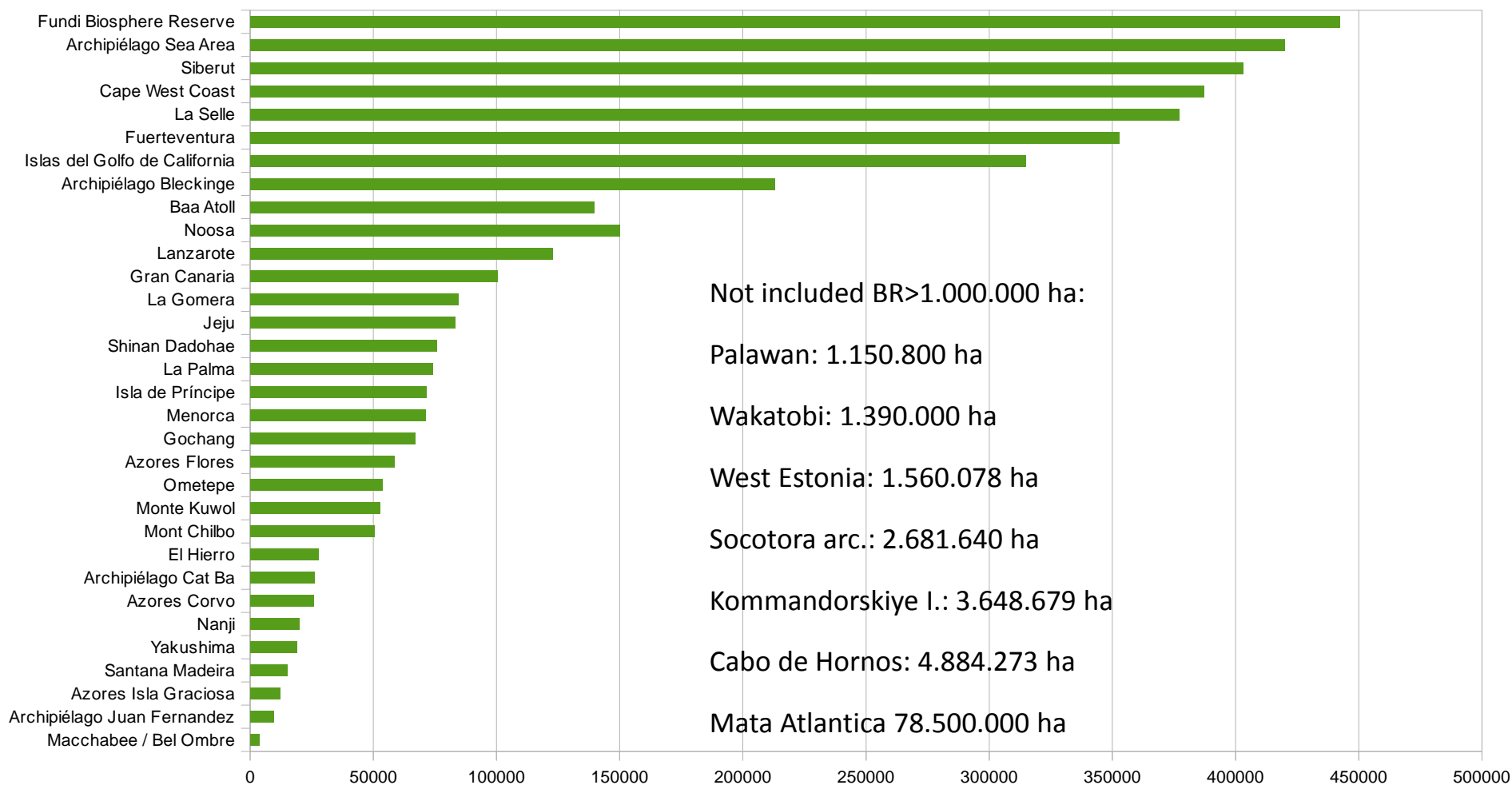
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ACTIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT

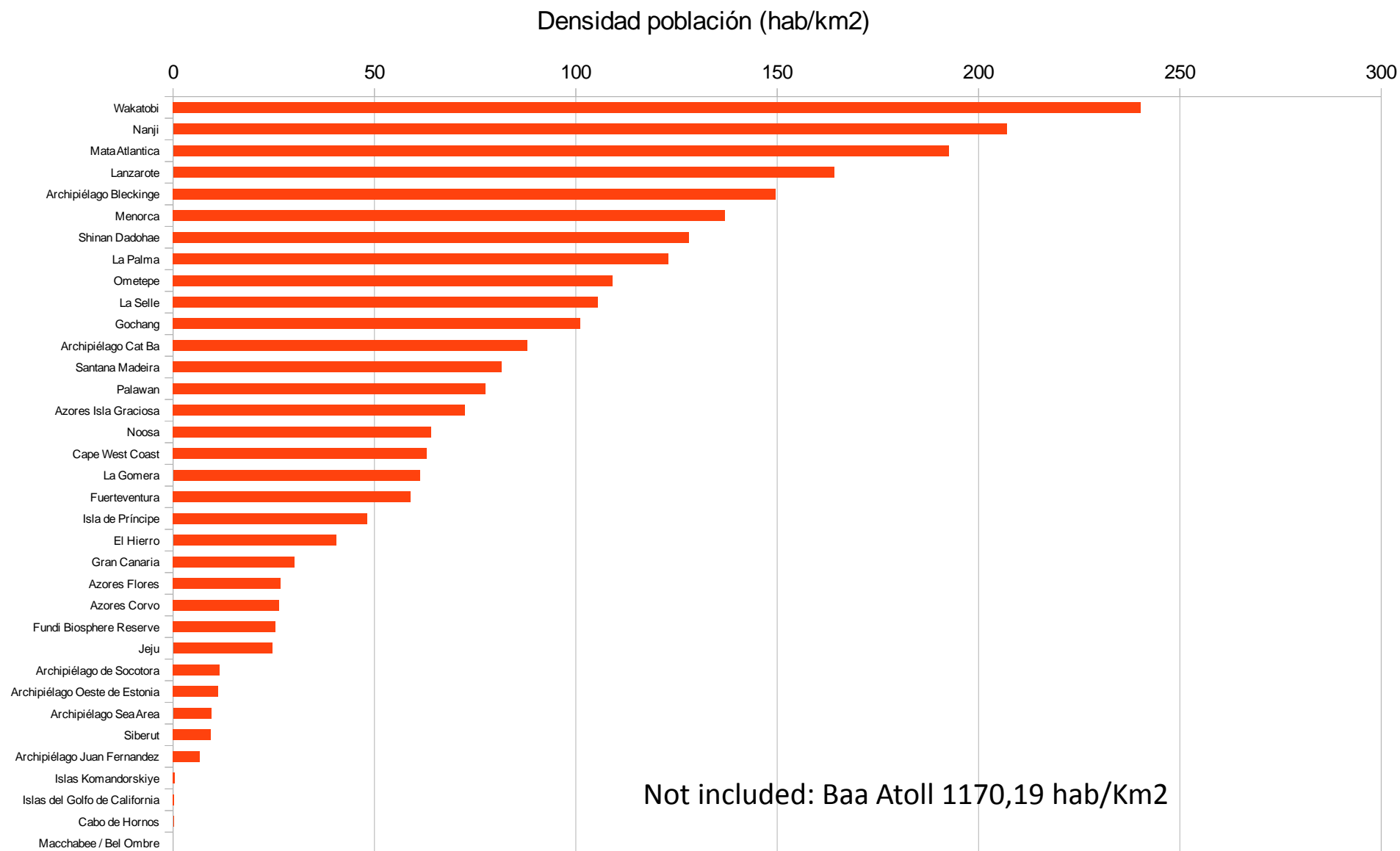
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Superficie total (<1.000.000 ha)



ACTIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT

Action 1.2. Database of the BRs (some preliminary results)



ACTIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT

GOAL 1 – DOCUMENTARY BASIS

Action 1.3 / Remarkable experience catalogue (undertaken by Menorca BR)

1. Selection of the most remarkable experiences of every BR
2. Standardisation in a specific format for a real and effective exchange



ACTIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT

Action 1.3 / Remarkable experience catalogue (first results)

BR	Conservation of biodiversity	Heritage and landscape	Economic development	Social participation	BR Management	Research and monitoring	Environmental vectors
El Hierro	1						1
Principe	3	2	3	4	5	0	0
La Palma	4	4	5	3	5	4	2
Lanzarote	2	2	4	3	4	3	3
Menorca	5	5	7	5	5	5	4
Total	15	13	19	15	19	12	10

ACTIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT

GOAL 2 - COMMUNICATION

Action 2.1. Active communication between Network BRs (Menorca RB)

E-mail

Telephone

Website of WNICBR (to be designed and published)

Action 2.2. Dissemination among the Network members (Menorca RB)

Website of WNICBR

Social networks and media

Action 2.3 / BR communication from inside to outside (La Palma BR)

Defining a communication plan of the Network to make effective the dissemination of the projects and initiatives related to sustainability

ACTIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT

GOAL 3 - NETWORKING

Action 3.1. Exchange of information, projects and studies among the BRs (Menorca RB)

Sharing of the results obtained from actions 1.1., 1.2., 1.3. at the future Network digital portal, as well as the publishing of newsletters, events and schedule of activities.

E-mail and specific web sections of the Menorca BR, Jeju BR and the UNESCO.

Meetings, both virtual and on-site, among the BR managers.

Action 3.2. Setting up of specialising RBs. Themed areas.

Creating themed forums, meetings and themed workshops among those BRs that have been working on a specific subject.

Action 3.3. Campaigns. Pressure factors. Joint claims.

Jointly submitting of proposals, challenges or claims related to plans, projects or regulations that may affect the sustainability of the BRs or of the whole of the Network.

ACTIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT

GOAL 4 – TRAINING AND EXCHANGE

Action 4.1. Definition of the basis to create an international training and exchange program for managers, experts, researchers and other groups of the BR concerning sustainability.

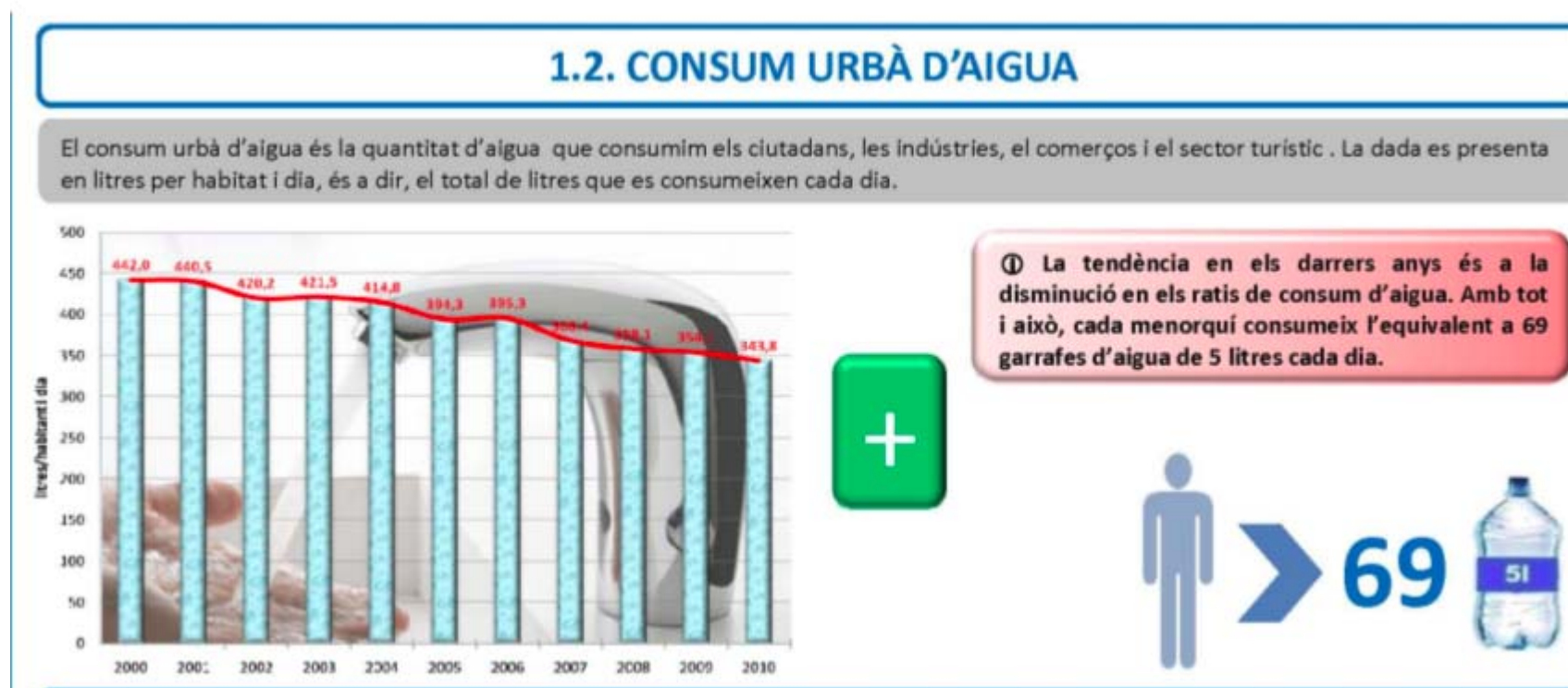


ACTIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT

GOAL 5 – SUSTAINABILITY INDICATORS

Action 5.1. Analysis of sustainability indicators systems regarding BRs and the MaB program (undertaken by Menorca BR)

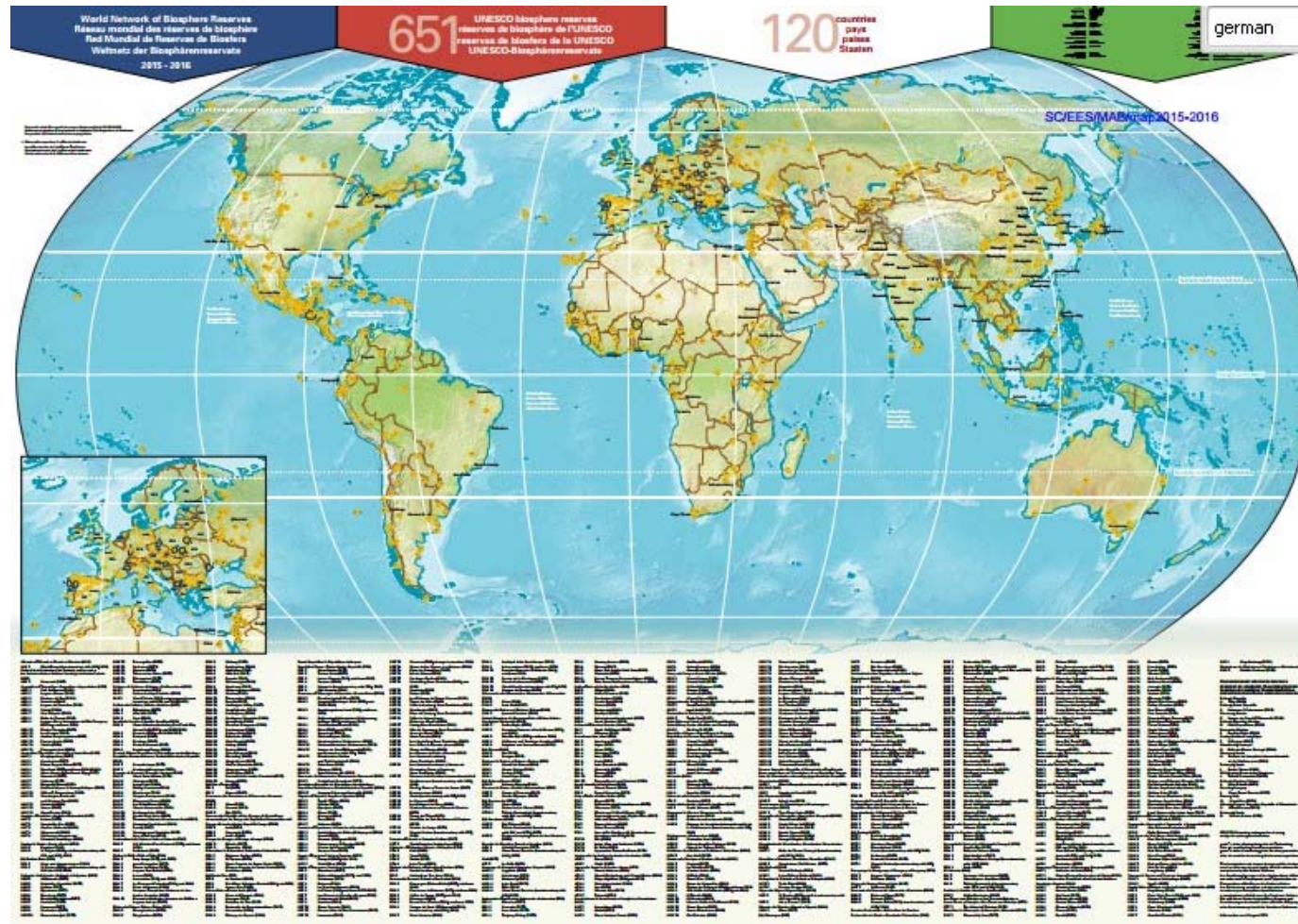
Action 5.2. Definition of a sustainable indicator system (coordinated by Menorca BR)



ACTIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT

GOAL 6 – NETWORK EXPANSION

Action 6.1. To find and contact non-member island and coastal BRs.



NEXT STEPS IN WNICBR SUSTAINABILITY WORK PLAN

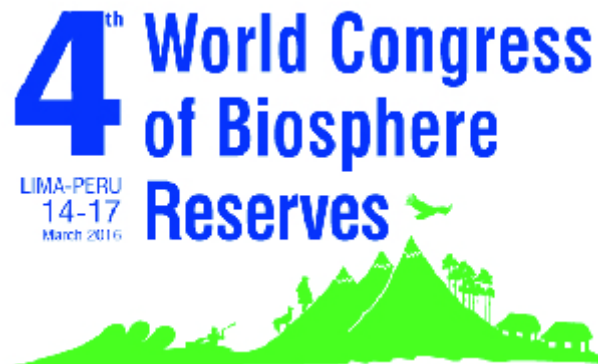
- **This Working Plan Proposal for 2016-17 being discussed, amended, improved and aproved among the Network members**
- **Set the regulatory framework**
- **Get collaboration of the RB that have not been contacted yet**
- **Keep up to date the documentary collection in process (database, documents, experience catalogue)**
- **Indicator system working team**
- **Planning and designing the Network web portal**
- **Planning the training and exchange programme, and organizing themed groups**

CONSTRAINTS AND CHALLENGES

- **Effective and fluent communication**
- **Creating spaces for debate and meeting**
- **Active participation of all the BR members of the Network**
- **Collecting and standardizing data (great variability in the data available from BRs)**
- **Social participation in the Network activities**
- **Financing needs (networking, training and exchange program, implementing an indicator system,...)**

THE LIMA ACTION PLAN

“Using the MAB Strategy 2015-2025 and Lima Action Plan 2016-2025 as the key points of reference, MAB National Committees and MAB networks are strongly encouraged to prepare their own strategies and action plans. These should be founded in national and regional realities and imperatives and will contribute both to addressing these and to implementing the Lima Action Plan at the global level.”



A scenic landscape photograph showing a coastline. In the foreground, there are large, reddish-brown boulders on a rocky slope. The middle ground features a blue bay or inlet, with a large, dark, forested headland on the right. The background shows a long, low cliff or plateau extending into the distance under a clear blue sky.

THANK YOU