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# MedPAN South Project

## Working together for more effective Marine Protected Areas in the Mediterranean

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# CHALLENGES\*

Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) are an effective tool for providing lasting protection, enabling restoration and the sustainable use of the natural and cultural heritage of the Mediterranean to the benefit of coastal communities.

To achieve the international goal of protecting 10% of the Mediterranean ecoregion through the establishment of a coherent network of MPAs:

- **more MPAs are needed,**
- **MPA management needs to be improved.**

\* From "Status of Marine Protected Areas in the Mediterranean Sea", IUCN, MedPAN and WWF (2008)



# SOLUTIONS

WWF Mediterranean and its partners are implementing the **MedPAN South project (2009-12)** to address these challenges.

The project will enhance and consolidate capacity in the countries of the south and east of the Mediterranean to establish new MPAs, better manage the existing ones and strengthen the MedPAN network\* of MPA managers.

The project focuses on two main areas of activity:

- **Pilot projects** on MPA design and management effectiveness in Algeria, Croatia, Libya, Tunisia and Turkey.
- **Capacity building programme** for MPA managers, practitioners and officers of relevant authorities in Albania, Algeria, Croatia, Egypt, Lebanon, Libya, Montenegro, Morocco, Syria, Tunisia and Turkey.

\* The MedPAN network brings together the managers of Mediterranean MPAs and supports them in their management activities. It teams up with partners to deliver on its objectives.  
[www.medpan.org](http://www.medpan.org)

## Croatia

MINISTRY OF CULTURE  
STATE INSTITUTE FOR NATURE PROTECTION  
ASSOCIATION FOR NATURE, ENVIRONMENT  
AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT - SUNCE  
BRIJUNI NATIONAL PARK  
KORNATI NATIONAL PARK  
MLJET NATIONAL PARK  
LASTOVO ARCHIPELAGO NATURE PARK  
TELASCICA NATURE PARK

## Turkey

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
FOR SPECIAL AREAS  
WWF TURKEY

## Algeria

DIRECTION GÉNÉRALE DES FORÊTS  
MINISTÈRE DE L'AMÉNAGEMENT  
DU TERRITOIRE, DE L'ENVIRONNEMENT  
ET DU TOURISME - COMMISSARIAT  
NATIONAL DU LITTORAL  
PARC NATIONAL DE TAZA

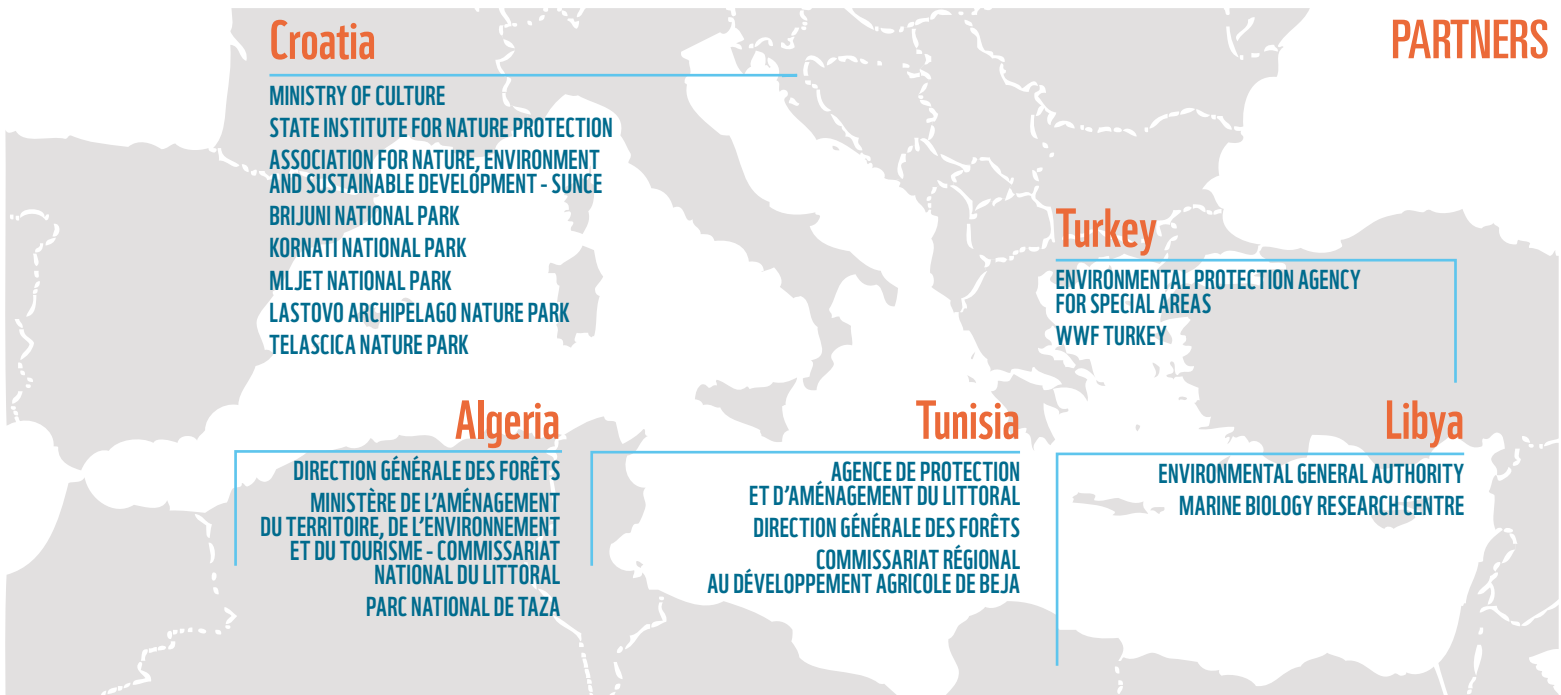
## Tunisia

AGENCE DE PROTECTION  
ET D'AMÉNAGEMENT DU LITTORAL  
DIRECTION GÉNÉRALE DES FORÊTS  
COMMISSARIAT RÉGIONAL  
AU DÉVELOPPEMENT AGRICOLE DE BEJA

## Libya

ENVIRONMENTAL GENERAL AUTHORITY  
MARINE BIOLOGY RESEARCH CENTRE

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# WWF MEDITERRANEAN

WWF Mediterranean's mandate is to pursue WWF global priorities to conserve biodiversity and reduce the human footprint on nature in the Mediterranean. Complementing the work of the five WWF national organizations active in the region (France, Greece, Italy, Spain, Turkey), WWF Mediterranean operates in fourteen countries: Albania, Algeria, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Egypt, Lebanon, Libya, Montenegro, Morocco, Portugal, Serbia, Slovenia, Syria and Tunisia. WWF achieves its conservation objectives through field projects in priority landscapes, river basins and marine regions and through advocating improvements in regional and national policy processes affecting nature conservation and resource management. WWF Mediterranean and the other WWF offices involved in the region have together designed the Mediterranean Initiative, a common strategy to intensify WWF conservation efforts in the region. The Mediterranean Initiative is a response to the identification by WWF Global network of the Mediterranean as one of the Global Priority Places.

[www.panda.org/mediterranean](http://www.panda.org/mediterranean) [www.panda.org/msp](http://www.panda.org/msp)



#### Why we are here

To stop the degradation of the planet's natural environment and to build a future in which humans live in harmony with nature.

*“The MedPAN South Project is a great example of Mediterranean cooperation. It fosters a mutual understanding and an exchange of experience on a regional level with the same common goal of protecting our Mediterranean sea”.*

**Nadia Ramdane**  
Taza National Park, Algeria

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# MEDPARTNERSHIP

The MedPAN South Project is part of the “Strategic Partnership for the Mediterranean Sea Large Marine Ecosystem” (MedPartnership) project, led by UNEP. The objective of the MedPartnership project is to leverage reforms and investments to address marine and coastal biodiversity conservation priorities for the Mediterranean. The main project partner of WWF Mediterranean on this project is the Regional Activity Center for Specially Protected Areas (RAC/SPA) of UNEP-MAP. In the framework of the MedPartnership project, RAC/SPA is also coordinating the MedMPAnet project, which is complementary to the MedPAN South Project and aims to promote the establishment of new MPAs in the south and east of the Mediterranean.

[www.medpartnership.org](http://www.medpartnership.org) [www.racspa.org](http://www.racspa.org)

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