







Invasive Alien Species: the Urban Dimension

Strengthening local action in Europe's urban areas

5 September 2013, IUCN Global Headquarters, Gland, Switzerland

The IUCN European Union Representative Office and the IUCN Invasive Species Specialist Group invite you to participate in this conference which will gather representatives from different European countries to tackle the challenges related to invasive alien species in Europe's urban areas.

Local and regional authorities can play a key role in helping address the risks associated with biological invasions and can contribute to raising awareness among decision-makers and citizens. The conference will bring together European, national and local governmental representatives as well as experts and NGOs to exchange knowledge and best practices on solutions to reduce the impacts of invasive species in urban areas. It will serve as a forum for competent authorities in Europe to be better informed about invasive alien species and the current state of the art of scientific knowledge and expertise. Examples of local action in urban areas will be presented to foster exchange and mutual learning in Europe.

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All participants from countries with low and middle income economies will be offered support for travel and accomodation from 4-5 September and local bus transport to the conference venue. For registration or further questions, please contact: