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**DIRECTORY OF NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS
MAP PARTNERS**

INTRODUCTION

During their Ninth Ordinary Meeting in Barcelona, 5-8 June 1995, the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention approved a list of Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) which would be MAP Partners. A selection criteria aiming at improving and strengthening cooperation between MAP and NGOs was also approved. In accordance with these guidelines and in order to facilitate MAP-NGO cooperation, the MEDU library has prepared the Directory of Non-Governmental Organizations-MAP Partners.

The Directory lists all 71 NGO/MAP Partners as of May 1998, their Focal Points and other pertinent information, and is divided into two parts:

- A. List of Non-Governmental Organizations, MAP Partners in the field of environment and development, entitled, in principle, to participate with observer status in MAP meetings; and
- B. List of Thematic Non-Governmental Organizations which can be associated with MAP general meetings or specialised activities, as the case may be.

In the Directory, the name of the Non-Governmental Organization is cited in English and its original language, whenever given, in transliterated form. It is followed by the NGO Focal Point, Name, Title, Address and communication details. One brief paragraph outlining the purposes and objectives of the NGO follows.

Annex I contains the decisions of the Contracting Parties, Barcelona, June 1995, the decisions of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties, Montpellier, July 1996, as well as those of the Tenth Ordinary Meeting, Tunis, November 1997 and the Bureau of the Contracting Parties, Tunis, March 1998, concerning MAP/NGO cooperation and criteria of selection, followed by the amended List of NGO/MAP Partners as contained in Annex II.

**A. List of Non-Governmental Organizations MAP Partners
in the field of environment and development, entitled in
principle, to participate with observer
status in MAP meetings**

Arab Office for Youth and Environment (AOYE)

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Purpose and objectives The Arab Office for Youth and Environment was established in December 1978 in order to promote environmental awareness in Egypt and the Arab world. A special concern of AOYE is the education and training of young people on environmental issues in Egypt, as well as the exchange of information, experiences and ideas with similar groups from different parts of the world.

**Association of Chambers of Commerce and Industry of the
Mediterranean (ASCAME)**

***Association des chambres de commerce et d'industrie de la
Méditerranée***

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives ASCAME was established in October 1982, by initiative of the Barcelona Chambers of Commerce, and 35 entities from Northern and Southern Mediterranean area. ASCAME now contains 123 chambers of commerce and associated entities from 20 countries bounding the Mediterranean. The basic purpose of ASCAME is to keep permanent contact amongst its members in order to cooperate, carry out and promote a number of surveys and joint actions bound for the economic development, exchange and cooperation with the Mediterranean region. The main activities are: Transport and communication, tourism, environment and dlife quality and training courses, as well as those matters that might improve the suitable and balanced development in the Mediterranean countries.

EcoPeace

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives EcoPeace is a regional forum of environmental NGOs from the Egyptian, Israeli, Jordanian and Palestinian communities, all working to promote ecologically sound development in the Middle East region. It was founded in December 1994, and through the incorporation of national umbrella organizations, it now represents over 200 members. Its main activities include: promoting renewable energy; reviewing various projects around the dead sea; reviewing development projects along the eastern Mediterranean; water conservation and re-use and others.

European Environmental Bureau (EEB) ***Bureau Europeen de l'Environnement (BEE)***

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BELGIUM

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Purpose and objectives The EEB, established in 1974 by leading environmental NGOs from the then 9 member countries of the EEC is, today, a Federation of more than 129 leading NGOs concerned about the European Union and its role in the field of environment. It also includes non-EU and Mediterranean NGOs which, as "Corresponding Members", enjoy all rights of members except voting. The Mediterranean Committee of the EEB aims at the Protection of the Mediterranean area. This means the prevention of further deterioration of Mediterranean ecosystems, of habitats and endangered species, and the protection of historical sites and the Mediterranean cultural heritage.

European Fertilizer Manufacturers Association (EFMA)

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives The European Fertilizer Manufacturers Association represents the major mineral fertilizer producers in western Europe. Its aims include the study and attempt to solve problems connected with the production, use and application of fertilizers which may have an impact on health, safety or the environment, and to improve products in this respect. EFMA also cooperates with supra-national organisations, acts as the European fertilizer manufacturing industry's spokesperson in matters of public interest and general concern and transmits the considered views of the Association to international bodies such as the OECD, the UN, the Council of Europe and the European Union.

Forum of the Mediterranean for the Environment and Sustainable Development (MED Forum)

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives MED Forum is a network of environmental and ecological organizations in the Mediterranean dedicated to the protection and conservation of the environment. The aim of the network is to promote the application of a sustainable development model which will allow integrated and jointly liable management of the Mediterranean Sea and its coast. Established in 21 countries with over 50 member NGOs.

Foundation for International Studies (FIS)

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives Established in 1986, the Foundation for International Studies has as its main objectives: the promotion of research and training in international studies particularly those having relevance to the Mediterranean area, to the environment and to ocean affairs; and cooperation with national and international bodies and individuals, concerned with or engaged in the aforesaid activities.

Friends of the Earth International (FOEI) ***Coordination Européenne des Amis de la Terre***

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives Friends of the Earth International is the network of 25 international Friends of the Earth groups around the world. These organisations act as pressure groups within their own countries, representing the concern of ordinary citizens about pollution and depletion of the Earth's resources.

Greenpeace International

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives Greenpeace is an independent and non-political international organisation dedicated to the protection of the environment through peaceful means. Greenpeace considers the Mediterranean as an area affected by various diverse factors which act either individually or collectively in violating environmental laws and harshly abusing nature. It has been carrying out a campaign in defence of the Mediterranean Sea since 1986. The Mediterranean project reflects global environmental concerns into its regional priorities.

International Centre for Coastal and Ocean Policy Studies (ICCOPS)

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives ICCOPS was founded with the aim of serving as a point of reference for groups of experts in coastal and ocean-related problems. It conducts research projects in all aspects of integrated coastal and ocean management, promotes international networking with similar institutions and sponsors meetings with the purpose of discussing current practices and future trends in sea-use management.

International Centre for Coastal Resources Research (CIIRC) ***Centre Internacionale d'Investigació dels Recursos Costaners***

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives CIIRC is a Centre for the coordination of interdisciplinary applied research in coastal resources. With the support of UNEP, it was created by the Generalitat de Catalunya, the Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, the International Federation of Institutes for Advanced Study. The Centre initiates and coordinates studies, training programmes and international meetings, bringing together engineers and other applied science experts in the fields of nearshore oceanography, coastal environmental impact and coastal resources management.

International Juridical Organization for Environment and Development (IJO)

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives IJO, a center of international legal studies founded in 1964, has been granted consultative status with the UN Economic and Social Council and is consultant to UNEP. Its objective is to bring together jurists from all major legal systems in the world, experts in political and social science, and economists for the purpose of, among other things, promoting the study of various legal aspects of significant transnational problems such as environmental protection, sustainable development and human rights.

International Marine Mammal Association(IMMA)

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives IMMA conducts scientific research on a variety of marine mammal issues aiming at supporting the interests and well being of marine mammals in their natural environment and at preventing and discouraging the exploitation of marine mammals. Its objectives include the promotion and establishment of marine mammal national parks in various appropriate locations, the stimulation of public awareness of and concern for these animals and the education of the public regarding the nature of interaction between marine mammals and fisheries, wherever they may occur. IMMA's involvement in the Mediterranean Region has focussed on the conservation and protection of the endangered Mediterranean monk seal, *Monachus monachus*.

International Ocean Institute (IOI)

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives The International Ocean Institute aims at promoting education, training and research, in the peaceful use of ocean space, and the management and regulation of its resources. It is dedicated to the protection and conservation of the marine environment.

International Petroleum Industry Environmental Conservation Association (IPIECA)

Status: MAP Partner

Focal Point: The Director

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Purpose and objectives IPIECA's sphere of interest is concentrated in environmental matters affecting the petroleum industry which it represents, and which are of international concern or implication. Its principal purposes are to represent the views of its members to UNEP and other UN agencies and international organisations concerned with environmental issues, and to coordinate environmental responses or initiatives which affect the international petroleum industry as a whole.

MEDCITIES Network

Med Cités

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives The Medcities network/Med Cités was established three years ago, in an effort to address the problems of the urban environment. This issue is the object of a worldwide consensus, the Mediterranean region being no exception. Even though, actions taken by the Mediterranean network to date are still modest, it must be emphasised that this endeavour aims at bringing together 18 coastal cities and towns around an issue of the highest importance, the protection of the environment.

Mediterranean Information Office for Environment, Culture and Sustainable Development (MIO/ECSDE)

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives MIO-ECSDE is a Federation of Mediterranean Environmental and Development NGOs. MIO-ECSDE acts as a facilitator for the intervention of NGOs in the Mediterranean scene. Its objectives are to contribute directly and indirectly to the protection of the Environment and the cultural heritage of the Mediterranean region, and to promote sustainable development in a peaceful Mediterranean. In order to facilitate its objectives, MIO-ECSDE activities are concentrated on: promoting the cooperation of the Mediterranean citizens; assisting the establishment, strengthening, cooperation and coordination of Mediterranean NGOs and facilitating their efforts and activities; promoting research and study on Mediterranean issues; raising of public awareness on crucial Mediterranean environmental issues, through campaigns, publications and exhibitions.

World Wide Fund for Nature International (WWF)

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives WWF aims to conserve nature and ecological processes by preserving genetic species and ecosystem diversity; by ensuring that the use of renewable material resources is sustainable both now and in the long term; and by promoting actions to reduce pollution and wasteful exploitation and consumption. WWF ensures that its programme has a sound scientific basis through the scientific expertise represented on its Boards, Advisory Committees and staff, as well as through close collaboration with many conservation agencies particularly The World Conservation Union (IUCN).

**B. List of Thematic Non-Governmental Organizations
which can be associated with MAP general meetings
or specialized activities, as the case may be**

Advisory Committee on Pollution of the Sea (ACOPS)

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Purpose and objectives ACOPS is aiming at promoting marine pollution control worldwide, and at securing appropriate compensation for marine pollution victims. It conducts research into the causes and effects of marine pollution and into the measures, both practical and legal, to combat marine pollution. Moreover, it aims at advancing public education concerning the effect of human activities on the natural resources of the sea.

Amigos del Mediterráneo

Status: MAP Partner

Focal Point: Mr Humberto DA CRUZ, President

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SPAIN

Purpose and objectives Established in 1990, Amigos del Mediterraneo is an International Association under the Spanish law. It lists numerous individuals from Mediterranean countries as members as well as other NGOs, Municipalities and commercial and industrial companies from the Mediterranean region as associate members. Their main objectives are, enhancing environmental awareness through education on coastal and marine environmental protection through promotion of eco-tourism and through support to local authorities.

Association de Jeunes pour la Protection de l'Environnement

Status: MAP Partner

Focal Point: Mr Mohamed LELLOUCHI, Secrétaire Général

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El Harrach 16200
ALGERIA

Purpose and objectives The Association's top priority is to underline Algeria's ecological problems with an emphasis on the depletion of Algeria's natural resources.

Association Marocaine pour la Protection de l'Environnement (ASMAPE)

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives Created in 1987 and based in Rabat, ASMAPE contributes to the better interpretation of environmental policy of Morocco. It disseminates knowledge and increases public awareness of environmental problems by promoting wider citizen-participation in the implementation of environmental policy. Together with other organizations and the industrial and business world, ASMAPE organizes "Information campaigns", scientific workshops, demonstrations on special issues and rehabilitation campaigns on everyday problems. It also publishes an Information bulletin, special publications and various leaflets.

Association Monégasque pour la Protection de la Nature (AMPN)

Status: MAP Partner

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PRINCIPAUTÉ DE MONACO

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Purpose and objectives The Association Monégasque pour la Protection de la Nature is the only NGO in Monaco engaged in the protection of nature with particular emphasis in the coastal and maritime areas of that country. Its main programme for 1998 includes the problem of the algae "*Caulerpa taxifolia*" and the conclusion of studies on the culture of corals. All scientific and technical work is conducted free of charge, donated by the scientists and technicians, members of the Association.

Association for the Protection of Nature and the Environment of Kairouan (APNEK)

Association pour la Protection de la Nature et de l'Environnement de Kairouan

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives APNEK's objectives and philosophy are environmental awareness, ecologically sound conduct, with women as an integral part of sustainable development.

Association de Réflexion d'Echange et d'Action pour l'Environnement et le Développement (AREA-ED)

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives AREA-ED is a new organization with national scope. In addition to its various activities promoting environmental protection within the framework of sustainable development, AREA-ED acts as the secretariat of REMED (Réseau d'Echange Multidisciplinaire pour l'Environnement et le Développement - Multidisciplinary Exchange Network on Environment and Development) which comprises 700 members in over 40 anchoring points throughout the world.

Birdlife International (SEO/Birdlife Spain) *Spanish Ornithological Society/Birdlife Spain*

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives Birdlife International seeks to conserve all bird species on earth and their habitats and, through this, to work for the world's biological diversity and the sustainability of human use of natural resources.

Association Tunisie Méditerranée pour le Développement Durable (ATUMED)

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives ATUMED is an association founded in June 1996 with the purpose of contributing to the raising of environmental awareness, to socio-economic development on the basis of the rational use of natural resources as well as their protection in order to ensure the sustainable character of progress.

Centre d'Etudes Internationales du Maghreb (CETIMA) *Maghreb Center for International Studies*

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives Founded in 1987 in Tunis, the Maghreb Center for International Studies, an independent non-profit body, has steadily broadened its activities and its scientific interests integrating the Mediterranean region. A Euro-mediterranean forum for cooperation and development, CETIMA sponsors specialised research projects on economic issues, on North-South dialogue and migration and on ecological issues. It also serves as a documentation and publication centre.

Centre des Régions Euroméditerranéennes pour l'Environnement (CREE)

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives To contribute to a harmonious and concerted management of the Mediterranean environment, in conjunction with all other actors involved - regional European institutions, scientific and technical organizations and associations and networks of professionals from around the Mediterranean.

Centro Documentazione Internazionale Parchi (CEDIP) ***International Park Documentation Center***

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives CEDIP is widely known for its efforts in collecting all available documentation on protected areas in order to make it available to requesters for study and research. An active IUCN member, CEDIP cooperates with international institutions on issues of parks and reserves while promoting cultural initiatives, meetings and conventions. It maintains a library with documentation on over 4,500 protected areas from around the world.

Chambers Group for the Development of Greek Isles (EOAEN) ***Epemeleteriakos Omilos Anaptyxis Hellenikon Nision***

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives The objectives of the Chamber are to assess the development problems of the Mediterranean Islands, and to promote sustainable development in the Greek Islands by ensuring their long term environmental protection. The Chamber is also aiming at promoting cooperation among islands, particularly within the Mediterranean region and at supporting special measures for their protection at the European level in the framework of the Intergovernmental Conference for the European Treaty, and Euromediterranean cooperation.

Committee for the Protection of the Palm Island Protected Zone

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives The Committee is interested in the protection of the environment through environmental, social and cultural awareness. It was established in Tripoli, Lebanon in 1982. Since then, various projects have been implemented in the field of environmental protection.

Conseil Européen de l'Industrie Chimique (CEFIC/EUROCHLOR)
European Chemical Industry Council

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives CEFIC/EUROCHLOR is the Brussels-based organisation representing national chemical federations and major chemical companies in Europe. It aims at providing a forum for decisions based on discussions of supranational issues affecting chemical companies operating in Europe, and at representing effectively the position of the chemical industry on such issues. Objectives, among others, are monitoring and contributing to the framing of International and European Community legislation and presenting the biennial CEFIC Environment Award recognising an outstanding innovation enabling the industry to help improve environment protection and health.

Cyprus Marine Environment Protection Association (CYMEPA)
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Purpose and objectives CYMEPA was established in order to nurture and instill environmental awareness in shipowners, ship operators and seafarers, by means of education, information and training. With a view to protect the environment from ship generated and other sources of pollution, CYMEPA aims to encourage the effective compliance of all members of the Cyprus shipping and commercial community and by the public at large, with all international laws and regulations.

E&P Forum

The Oil Industry International Exploration and Production Forum

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives The Oil Industry International Exploration and Production Forum is the international association of oil companies and petroleum industry organisations. It was established to represent the members' interests at the International Maritime Organisation and other specialised agencies of the UN as well as other international bodies concerned with regulating the exploration and production of oil and gas. The Forum, now, gives particular emphasis to the safety of personnel and protection of the environment.

EcoMediterrània

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Purpose and objectives EcoMediterrània attempts to serve as a framework for reflection and dissemination of topics related to environmental protection and sustainable development. It aims at promoting attitudes of respect for natural resources and at acting decisively in protecting the Mediterranean coastal area. It initiates and supports programs of cooperation among Mediterranean NGOs and organises voluntary task forces and associations which promote environmental protection and sustainable development.

Environmental Foundation of Turkey (EFT)

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives The Environmental Foundation of Turkey has placed special emphasis, in recent years, on the subject of Environmental Impact Assessment. Since 1987 EFT has published several books on this subject, thus filling a large gap in the field. The organization of a much needed training programme on the subject has also been among the Foundation's priorities.

Europe Conservation

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives Europe Conservation aims at promoting the conservation of Europe's natural resources and cultural heritage.

European Coastal Zone Association for Science and Technology (EUROCOAST)

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives Eurocoast aims at promoting research and scientific and technical cooperation on a national and international level in the field of coastal zone management. It has as its main objective to act as a "consultant" to the European Union and the Council of Europe in order to assist in the definition and the implementation of a sound coastal zone management policy. It supports the information and training activities of the CALMEL international centre and plans to establish maintain and update a multi-disciplinary database of coastal zone management references.

Fondo Euro Mediterraneo per lo Sviluppo Socio-Culturale (FEM) (La Facoltà de l'Arte e della Scienza)

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Purpose and objectives FEM aims at supporting the interests of national and international institutions working in the cultural and scientific fields, and concentrates in the cooperation between public and private institutions. It provides a forum for debate between the world of scientific research and that of art, entertainment and culture. Forêt méditerranéenne

Association Internationale Forêts Méditerranéennes
International Association of Mediterranean Forests (IAMF)

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives Forêt méditerranéenne was established after the 16th FAO World Congress on Forests and within the framework of the Rio Conference. It follows the Saragosa Declaration of 9/5/91 and the Milles Declaration of 24/9/93. Forêt méditerranéenne is dedicated to the preservation of the Mediterranean forests. It publishes its own newsletter and organises interdisciplinary meetings and field trips.

Forum for the Lagoon of Venice
Forum per la Laguna di Venezia

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives The Forum for the Venice Lagoon has as its main goal the establishment of a sustainable development process for the Mediterranean Basin. It is starting from the Venice lagoon, while, at the same time, it is attempting to link all local Authorities and organisations of the Mediterranean Basin. The FORUM has three specific "fields of action" with respect to environmental issues: information, education and public participation.

Friends of the Earth International (FOE) ***Amigos de la Tierra***

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Purpose and objectives Friends of the Earth International, an independent organisation founded in 1990, is headquartered in the Netherlands which has formed branches in other parts of the world. Its main objectives are the promotion of understanding of the need for environmental conservation and the importance of sensible use of natural resources. Friends of the Earth provide assistance to all those who wish to found Associate groups with similar objectives and support all nature conservation activities.

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Purpose and objectives HELMEPA's goals are outlined in the "Save the Seas - Declaration of Voluntary Commitment". They include, awakening and reinforcing an environmental consciousness in all members of the Greek shipping community, and advising the Greek government in formulating marine environmental policy and national legislation. Moreover, HELMEPA aims at ensuring the effective compliance with legislation governing the protection of the marine environment by all members of the Greek shipping community.

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Purpose and objectives IME was created in Rabat in 1982, on the occasion of the Congress of the African Union of Water Distributors and plays a useful role mainly between local authorities and water and sewerage professionals. Headquartered in Marseille, France, it has the status of a non-profit French 1901 law association. Through a policy of multilateral and transmediterranean cooperation, IME is aiming at contributing to the implementation of a program of investigation, research and training necessary for the safeguarding and the control of the natural environment. Technological transfer, exchange of experience and scientific cooperation are the tools IME is equipped with in order to reach its goal.

Instituto Universitario de Ciencias Ambientales (SDA/ELS)

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Purpose and objectives Headquartered in Madrid and incorporated with Complutence University, SDA/ELS is a "think tank" which fosters cooperation with governments and with other environmental NGOs and organisations. Since its membership comprises mostly of environmental policy and law experts, SDA/ELS has as its main objectives, advising on issues of environmental policy and law as well as providing other Spanish, Southern European and Latin American Institutions, information on environmental policies and legal instruments.

**International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies
(ICAMAS)**
***Centre International de Hautes Etudes Agronomiques
Méditerranéennes (CIHEAM)***

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Purpose and objectives Established in 1962 under the auspices of the Council of Europe and the OECD, CIHEAM is an intergovernmental organisation of thirteen countries. It animates a Mediterranean research network, promotes the organisation of specialised education in member countries and holds seminars and workshops bringing together technicians and scientists specialising in Mediterranean agriculture. Through these activities, CIHEAM promotes North/South dialogue and international cooperation for agricultural development in the Mediterranean.

International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS)
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Purpose and objectives ICOMOS was founded to be the "worldwide" professional organisation in the field of conservation. It has consultative status to UNESCO and is recognised as a statutory body under the UNESCO World Heritage Convention. As this mandate demands the highest possible expertise in the field, ICOMOS aims at being at the forefront of all issues related to cultural heritage and conservation, while accepting and building on the diversity of cultural heritage throughout the world.

International Energy Foundation (IEF)

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Purpose and objectives The International Energy Foundation is a non-profit organization which was founded in Tripoli in 1989. Its purpose and objectives are to facilitate the transfer of research and technology in all areas of energy with special emphasis on developing countries. It holds an average of 10 scientific functions per year, including workshops, seminars and international conferences such as the Mediterranean Petroleum Conference and Exhibition. Membership is open to all professional and educational institutions, to industry and to energy-related government bodies and, at present, it numbers over 1000 members world wide. IEF is funded through grants and contributions.

International Marine Centre (IMC) ***Centro Marine Internazionale***

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Purpose and objectives The International Marine Centre is a non-profit international association for the study, protection and sustainable development of Mediterranean bioresources. The IMC hosts a section of the National Research Council for multidisciplinary research on the sustainable development of the Mediterranean sea.

Jaycees Ankara (JCI)

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Purpose and objectives Jaycees Ankara is a member of Jaycees International, a worldwide leadership development organisation comprised of over 400,000 young people between the ages of 18 and 40 throughout 90 countries. JCI's mission is to contribute to the advancement of the global community by providing the opportunity for young people to develop their leadership skills, social responsibility and fellowship necessary to create positive change.

MAREVIVO Associazione Ambientalista

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Purpose and objectives MAREVIVO, a free independent association, is aiming at creating a common force among Mediterranean countries which might attempt to solve environmental problems. Its objectives, among others, are the outlawing of plastic bags, up-to-date fishing regulations, control of river pollution, beach clean-ups and the development of marine parks. In cooperation with the school system, MAREVIVO is also involved in the teaching of environmental awareness to students aged 11-15.

MEDCOAST (MEDCOAST)

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Purpose and objectives MEDCOAST activities, started in 1993, and have three components: 1. The conference series entitled International MEDCOAST; 2. Human resource development (conferences, training programs); 3. Cooperative research on coastal zone management. The goal of MEDCOAST is to enhance scientific and professional collaboration among individuals and institutions in the Mediterranean & Black Sea regions and elsewhere.

Medcom/START Planning Committee for the Mediterranean

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives START is the international scientific community's response to the need for regional research with a global scientific perspective. It is a world-encompassing system of Regional Research Networks, each one including at least one Regional Research Centre (RRC). Major functions of the RCC is to provide a multidisciplinary setting within which results from various disciplines concerned with global change phenomena can be synthesised into a framework that is policy relevant. Within START, 13 regions have been identified covering the globe. The Mediterranean is one of the three regions covering Africa, which has been identified as highest priority for assistance, considering the combined factors of sensitivity to global and climatic change.

Mediterranean Association to Save the Sea Turtles (MEDASSET)

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Purpose and objectives MEDASSET is committed to the conservation and the protection of the Sea Turtles and their Marine Ecosystems through the Mediterranean Sea and in other international waters. Its activities include, scientific research programmes, both coastal and offshore, education, public liaison, publicity and fund-raising and the cooperation with all parties involved in the Mediterranean region. MEDASSET has played a significant role in the drafting of legislation for the protection of turtles in Greece and in the Mediterranean area. MEDASSET is working closely with the UK MEDASSET established in 1988, and shares its name and principal objectives, but they have separate legal entity.

MEDMARAVIS (Research and Conservation of Islands and Coastal Ecosystems in the Mediterranean)

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives MEDMARAVIS is the leading pan-Mediterranean NGO dealing with coastal ecology and conservation, and is officially registered both in France and Italy. It aims at the study and conservation of the Mediterranean marine avifauna and propagates the importance of the seabirds' role in the ecosystem. Mediterranean seabirds breed on the few remaining unspoiled coasts: seacliffs, small island lagoons and salinas. It is MEDMARAVIS' main objective to study and protect these natural sanctuaries.

Mediterranean Protected Areas Network (MEDPAN) *Réseau des espaces protégés méditerranéens*

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives MEDPAN, one of the first initiatives taken by the Environmental Programme for the Mediterranean, aims at linking managers of protected areas throughout the Mediterranean region. It is a program launched by the European Investment Bank and the World Bank in an attempt to reverse current trends of environmental degradation in the Mediterranean. MEDPAN's network activities include the improvement and transfer of relevant information, the coordination of technical support and training and the development of a forum for discussion of issues common to Mediterranean protected areas.

Mediterranean Wetlands (MedWet)

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives MedWet is an initiative under the Convention on Wetlands for implementing the Mediterranean Wetlands Strategy (Venice, 1996) and for strengthening the collaboration concerning wetlands in the region. MedWet is guided by the Convention's Mediterranean Wetlands Committee (MedWet/Com), which includes 22 governments, the Convention of Barcelona and the Convention of Bern, the European Commission, the Palestinian Authority and 6 international NGOs and wetland centres. MedWet's objectives include the establishment of national priorities, the implementation of national action programmes for the conservation of wetlands and wetland biodiversity, and the coordination of all efforts into a regional action programme for Mediterranean wetland conservation.

Méditerranée 2000

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Purpose and objectives To prepare concrete projects for the protection and monitoring of the coasts and the marine environment; to this end to implement actions for raising the awareness of the public, especially young people.

Mouvement Ecologique Algérien (MEA) Algerian Ecological Movement (AEM)

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives Created in 1989, the Algerian Ecological Movement works closely with many Intergovernmental and Non-governmental Organizations such as UNDP, UNEP, IUCN, WWF and others. It is a member of the Cairo based Arab Environment and Development Network and the World Nature Alliance. AEM objectives include protection of the environment, ecosystems management, sustainable development and sound water as well as waste management. It is also committed to involving women and youth in sustainable development.

Protection and Preservation of Natural Environment (PPNEA)

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Purpose and objectives PPNEA, founded in July 1991, is the first and, to this date, the only environmental NGO in Albania. Its aims are the enhancement of environmental awareness, environmental education and the application of practical solutions to Albania's environmental problems.

Réserve Internationale Maritime en Méditerranée Occidentale(RIMMO)

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Purpose and objectives Created in July 1992, RIMMO is dedicated to the protection of marine fauna in Western Mediterranean, and particularly to the protection of dolphins, turtles and whales from fishing nets. The "Permanent Observatory", a ship maintained by RIMMO, serves as a depository of information and data on marine fauna and marine fauna mortality.

Ricerca e Cooperazione (RC)

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Purpose and objectives Established in 1985, Ricerca e Cooperazione designs and implements development programmes in developing and less developed countries through a methodology based on global collaboration among human sciences. RC is presently implementing development projects and undertaking studies in the Mediterranean region, giving particular emphasis to environmental issues.

Society for the Protection of Nature (DHKD)

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Purpose and objectives DHKD's primary objective is to increase public awareness of the importance of natural balance and the vital necessity of its preservation. Its target groups range from the legislative and executive bodies to employees, teachers, students and housewives. DHKD contributes to the conservation of nature and natural resources in Turkey through direct and indirect educational activities, research, projects and field work.

Society for the Protection of Nature in Israel (SPNI)

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Purpose and objectives Established in 1953, SPNI aims at promoting public support, understanding and awareness of nature conservation in Israel. Recognizing that information is crucial to environmental protection, it places major emphasis upon the scientific investigation of Israel's landscape and wildlife. Through a broad-based programme of education, conservation, research and public action, the SPNI involves over 20 of Israel's population in its many activities. It also plays an increasingly dynamic role in environmental activism, and is the main NGO represented on the National Board of Planning and Building. Its activities have been reinforced by organizing public protests and taking legal action, including petitions to the High Court of Justice.

Station Biologique de la Tour du Valat

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Purpose and objectives Situated in the heart of Camargue, 30 km from Arles, the Tour du Valat was established by Luc Hoffman in 1954. Its mission is to contribute to the protection of the Mediterranean wetlands through the study and research of these ecosystems. Research findings and scientific knowledge gained are made available to wetland managers and to decision-makers for the protection and sustainable development of these areas.

Sustainability Challenge Foundation

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Purpose and objectives The Sustainability Challenge Foundation was established in January 1994 by the Dutch Ministry of Housing, Spatial Planning and the Environment, the Environmental Resources Management consulting firm and several leading academics. The Dutch Ministry of Agriculture, Nature Management and Fisheries and the Danish Ministry of Environment and Energy joined as official sponsors in 1995. The Foundation's objective is to provide training and assistance to the public, private and non-profit sector on the management of sustainability. The Foundation's training programmes focus on sustainable development issues as a managed negotiation process between parties with different interests.

Turkish Foundation for Combating Soil Erosion, Reforestation and the Protection of Natural Habitats (TEMA)

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Purpose and objectives Founded in 1992, TEMA Foundation is aiming at raising environmental awareness in the areas of land degradation, deforestation and the protection of soil and natural habitats, and thereby apply public and political pressure in the establishment of environmentally sound policies. Together with education programmes, TEMA is also engaged in developing and carrying out projects of rural development, reforestation and the mapping of erosion in Turkey. Represented at the international level, TEMA has been accredited by the United Nations and the INCD secretariat.

Turkish Marine Research Foundation (TÜDAV)

Status: MAP Partner

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Purpose and objectives A non-profit scientific organization, the Turkish Marine Research Foundation was founded in 1996 by a group of researchers, maritime workers and nature lovers. Tüдав aims at enhancing marine research, education and environmental protection in Turkey. Some of Tüдав's top priorities are the collection of information on the marine environment, the sharing of scientific research findings with the public, and the participation in public campaigns for the protection of the marine environment.

Turkish Marine Environment Protection Association (TURMEPA) ***Deniztemiz Dernegi***

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Purpose and objectives TURMEPA, a sister organisation to HELMEPA, aims at raising environmental consciousness in both the shipping and the seafaring world, and at providing a mechanism for institutional cooperation on the national and international levels. Its activities include, public education programmes, seafarers' training courses, assessment and analysis of marine environmental information, and the establishment of a non-governmental marine environmental data centre.

University of the Mediterranean (UNIMED)

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Purpose and objectives The University of the Mediterranean (UNIMED) was established in 1992 with the purpose of promoting cooperation among the Universities of the Mediterranean Basin for the advancement of culture, science and technology in the region. To this end, member-universities constitute a network for the establishment of common educational programmes which confer specialized post-graduate degrees. For the purpose of developing common research in the Mediterranean, UNIMED has also undertaken the publication of relevant scientific literature. Its policy is formulated by an Assembly, composed of the directors of member-universities which elects a President and a Commission.

MAP COOPERATION WITH NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANISATIONS¹

1. **INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 It is the general policy of UNEP/MAP to encourage relevant international, regional and national Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) in the Mediterranean region to cooperate with and participate in the work of UNEP/MAP in carrying out environmental protection and sustainable development activities.

The Rules of Procedure of MAP were amended by the Contracting Parties in 1989 to cover this policy:

"The Executive Director shall, with the tacit consent of the Contracting Parties, invite to send representatives to observe any public sitting of any meeting or conference, including the meetings of technical committees, any international non-governmental organisation which has direct concern in the protection of the Mediterranean Sea Against Pollution".
(Rule 8).

- 1.2 The objectives of MAP' s collaboration with NGOs are to advance the general purposes of MAP and to promote the policies, strategies and programmes derived from the Barcelona Convention and its related protocols and the decisions of the Contracting Parties and in particular, in training and mobilising public attention to critical environmental issues, in creating a favourable climate for environmental actions, public support and monitoring, and in promoting the policies of their own organisations in support of UNEP' s goals.

Moreover, the purposes of such collaboration are to secure expert information and advice and technical cooperation and assistance from international NGOs and to enable organisations which represent important sections of public opinion in the Mediterranean to express the views of their members.

- 1.3 MAP shall, in relation to NGOs, act in conformity with the various decisions of the Meetings of the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention.

2. **EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION**

- 2.1 Any Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO) which is concerned primarily with environmental issues and sustainable development in the Mediterranean or a part of the Mediterranean area and is free from concerns of commercial or profit making nature may exchange information with MAP and receive information from it.

¹ As approved by the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention (Barcelona, 5-8 June 1995)

- 2.2 This exchange is carried out on the basis of correspondence sent by the NGO in which it makes clear:
- the relevance of its aims and activities to the MAP goals stipulated in the Barcelona Convention and its protocols;
 - the existence of a Constitution or terms of reference approved by an Assembly and a programme of activities, a Board of Directors (or equivalent) and a Bureau or a Committee elected at regular intervals;
 - the establishment of its headquarters or one of its offices in a Mediterranean country (since at least two years);
 - the indication of the assistance (activities, training programme, raising of public awareness, scientific support, etc.) that the NGO can provide in furtherance of MAP' s policies.
- 2.3 Any NGO which has thus become a MAP partner shall receive free of charge:
- MEDWAVES; and
 - public documents prepared by MAP on such activities as are likely to be of interest to the Organisation.
- 2.4 This status shall not entitle the Organisation to receive any financial support. Furthermore, it shall not automatically entitle the organisation to attend either general or specialised meetings.

3. POSSIBILITY FOR NGOS TO ATTEND MAP MEETINGS

- 3.1 In order for NGOs to be represented and more importantly to contribute to the dialogue within the framework of MAP concerning its goals, aims and programmes, the Coordinating Unit may invite them to attend general and/or more specialised meetings in accordance with Rule 8 of the Rules of Procedure of the Meetings of the Contracting Parties. They shall receive the documents relevant to their respective field of activity.
- 3.2. The Coordinating Unit shall keep an updated (public) list of NGOs that have come into contact with it. Prior to the Ordinary Meetings of the Contracting Parties this list shall be circulated, along with the invitation letters, to the Contracting Parties for their clearance, in accordance with Rule 8 of the Rules of Procedure of MAP.
- 3.3 The Bureau of the Contracting Parties shall review collaboration with NGOs listed on the MAP List, every two years and shall determine the desirability of maintaining or if not, discontinuing official relations.

3.4 Priority shall be given, for general meetings to:

- NGOs of international scope and/or regional scope and multidisciplinary interest recognised in their statutes, multinational representation in their governing boards as well as their activities, especially those contributing to Mediterranean cooperation, be concerned with matters covering a substantial portion of MAP's field of activity.

The dossier to be submitted by an NGO shall contain information illustrating the above mentioned points and especially:

- a. the NGOs' s Constitution or terms of reference and its rules of procedure, as well as a list of the Board of Directors (or equivalent) and Bureau;
 - b. its programme of activities for the coming biennium;
 - c. the report of activities of years past and most especially of the previous year which shall shed light on successes and difficulties;
 - d. the organisation's own proposals for improving Mediterranean cooperation and the commitments it intends to undertake in order to contribute to such cooperation;
 - e. the budget for the current year and for the coming year.
- a rotating representation (e.g. every two years) of some national organisations which are equitably selected among the North, the South, the East and the West of the Mediterranean Region, if possible through agreement among such organisations;

3.5 For specialised meetings, priority shall be given to organisations covering more than one country or the whole Mediterranean area if possible. They shall be invited to specialised meetings on the basis of their particular interest. They shall be concerned with matters covering a portion of MAP' s field of activity.

3.6 No organisation shall take advantage of its presence at a given meeting to express political, philosophical or religious view. It shall respect the confidentiality of information presented, if the Contracting Parties so request.

3.7 When a Contracting Party organises or is host to a MAP meeting, it shall be given authority to authorise the exceptional participation of a reasonable number of national or sub-regional organisations for the general meetings. The list of such organisations shall be sent in writing at least one month before the meeting to the Coordinating Unit or to the relevant Regional Activities Centre (RAC).

3.8 Regional Activities Centres (RACs) shall have a certain margin of manoeuvre, in respect of the meetings they organise, to complete the list with NGOs interested in the problems to be discussed or in those dealt with specifically by the Regional Activity Centre.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES OF INVITED NGOs IN THEIR RELATIONS WITH MAP

- 4.1 NGOs shall cooperate with MAP for the furtherance of the objectives of the Barcelona Convention and its related protocols and shall be responsible for implementing the mutually agreed programme of collaboration.
- 4.2 NGOs shall utilise the opportunities available to them through their normal work to disseminate information on MAP policies and programmes.
- 4.3 NGOs shall collaborate individually or collectively in the implementation of MAP programmes.
- 4.4 NGOs shall send to MAP their reports and publications on an exchange basis.
- 4.5 NGOs shall keep MAP informed of changes in their structure and/or interested public, as well as of important changes in their secretariat.

Information and Participation²

“ To recommend the inclusion of the following NGOs in the list of MAP Partners, as approved by the Ninth Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties (Barcelona, 5-8 June 1995), "MAP Cooperation with Non-Governmental Organizations":

- Israel Society for the Protection of Nature, Israel;
- Ricerca e Cooperazione (RC), Italy;
- Sustainability Challenge Foundation, Italy;
- European Fertilizer Manufacturers Association (EFMA), Belgium;
- International Marine Mammal Association (IMMA), Canada. “

² Extraordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against Pollution and its Protocols, Montpellier, 1-4 July 1996. Report, UNEP(OCA)/MED IG.8/7, Annex IV, page 19.

Information and Participation³

“ To include the following Non-Governmental Organizations in the MAP/NGO List of Partners:

- C Association Marocaine pour la Protection de l'Environnement (ASMAPE)
- C Association Monégasque pour la Protection de la Nature (AMPN)
- C Association de Réflexion d'Echange et d'Action pour l'Environnement et le Développement (AREA-ED)
- C Association Tunisie Méditerranée pour le Développement Durable (ATUMED)
- C Chambers Group for the Development of Greek Isles (EOAEN) - Epemeleteriakos Omilos Anaptyxis Hellenikon Nision
- C EcoPeace
- C Forum of the Mediterranean for the Environment and Sustainable Development (MED Forum)
- C International Energy Foundation (IEF)
- C Mouvement Ecologique Algérien (MEA) - Algerian Ecological Movement (AEM). “

MAP Collaboration with NGOs⁴

The Bureau of the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention at its meeting in Tunis, on 28 March 1998, decided to include the “Turkish Marine Research Foundation - TUDAV” in the List of NGO/MAP Partners.

³ Extraordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against Pollution and its Protocols, Tunis, 18-21 November 1997. Report, UNEP(OCA)/MED IG.11/10, Annex IV, page 2.

⁴ Meeting of the Bureau of the Contracting Parties, Tunis, 28 March 1998. Report, UNEP/BUR/52/4.

A. Amended List of NGO/MAP Partners in the field of environment and development, entitled in principle, to participate with observer status in MAP meetings

AOYE - Arab Office for Youth and Environment (Egypt)

ASCAME - Association of Chambers of Commerce of the Mediterranean (France)

CIIRC - International Centre for Coastal Resources Research (Spain)

EEB - European Environmental Bureau (Belgium)

EFMA - European Fertilizer Manufacturers Association (Belgium)

EcoPeace (Israel)

FIS - Foundation for International Studies (Malta)

FOEI - Friends of the Earth International (Belgium)

Greenpeace International (Italy)

ICCOPS - International Centre for Coastal and Ocean Policy Studies (Italy)

IJO - International Juridical Organisation for Environment and Development (Italy)

IMMA - International Marine Mammal Association (Canada)

IOI - International Ocean Institute (Malta)

IPIECA - International Petroleum Industry Environmental Conservation Association (England)

MEDCITIES Network (Spain)

MED Forum - Forum of the Mediterranean for the Environment and Sustainable Development (Spain)

MIO-ECSDE - Mediterranean Information Office for Environment, Culture and Sustainable Development (Greece)

WWF - World Wide Fund for Nature (Italy)

**B. Amended List of Thematic Non-Governmental Organisations
which can be associated with MAP general meetings or
specialised activities, as the case may be**

ACOPS - Advisory Committee on Pollution of the Sea (England)

Amigos del Mediterraneo (Spain)

AMPN - Association Monégasque pour la Protection de la Nature (Monaco)

APNEK - Association de protection de la Nature et de l'environnement de Kairouan (Tunisia)

AREA-ED - Association de Réflexion d'Echange et d'Action pour l'Environnement et le Développement (Algeria)

ASMAPE - Association Marocaine pour la Protection de l'Environnement (Maroc)

Association de jeunes pour le protection de l'environnement (Algeria)

ATUMED - Association Tunisie Méditerranée pour le Développement Durable (Tunisia)

Bird Life International (Spain)

CEDIP - International Park Documentation Centre (Italy)

CEFIC/EUROCHLOR - European Chemical Industry Council (Belgium)

CETIMA - Centre d'études Internationales du Maghreb et de la Méditerranée (Tunisia)

Committee for the Protection of the Palm Island Protected Zone (Lebanon)

CREE - Centre des Régions Euroméditerranéens pour l'environnement (France)

CYMEPA - Cyprus Marine Environment Protection Association (Cyprus)

DHKD - The Society for the Protection of Nature (Turkey)

E & P Forum - The Oil Industry International Exploration and Production Forum (England)

ECO Mediterrania (Spain)

EFT - Environmental Foundation of Turkey (Turkey)

EOAEN - Chambers Group for the Development of Greek Isles (Greece)

EUROCOAST - European Coastal Zone Association for Science and Technology (France)

Europe Conservation (Italy)

FOE - Friends of the Earth (Spain)

Forêt Méditerranéenne (France)

Forum for the Lagoon of Venice (Italy)

HELMEPA - Hellenic Marine Environment Protection Association (Greece)

ICAMAS - International Centre for Advance Mediterranean Agronomics Studies (France)

ICOMOS - International Council on Monuments and Sites (France)

IEF - International Energy Foundation (Libya)

IMC - International Marine Centre (Italy)

IME-MEDWAN - Institut Méditerranéenne de l'eau (France)

JCI - Jaycees Ankara (Turkey)

La Facolta dell'Arte e della Scienza (Italy)

MAREVIVO Associazione Ambientalista (Italy)

MEA - Mouvement Ecologique Algérien - Algerian Ecological Movement (Algeria)

MEDASSET - Mediterranean Association to save the Sea Turtles (Greece)

MEDCOAST (Turkey)

MEDCOM - START Planning Committee for the Mediterranean (France)

Mediterranean 2000 (France)

MEDMARAVIS - Research and Conservation of Islands and Coastal Ecosystems in the Mediterranean (France)

MEDPAN - Mediterranean Protected Areas Network - (France)

MEDWET Network - (Italy)

PPNEA - Protection and Preservation of Natural Environment (Albania)

RC - Ricerca e Cooperazione (Italy)

RIMMO - Réserve internationale Maritime en Méditerranée Occidentale (France)

SDA/ELS - Instituto Universitario de Ciencias Ambientales (Spain)

SPNI - Society for the Protection of Nature in Israel (Israel)

Station Biologique de la Tour du Valat (France)

Sustainability Challenge Foundation (Italy)

TEMA - Turkish Foundation for Combatting Soil Erosion, Reforestation and the Protection of the Natural Habitats (Turkey)

TÜDAV - Turkish Marine Research Foundation (Turkey)

TURMEPA - Turkish Marine Environment Protection Association (Turkey)

UNIMED - University of the Mediterranean (Italy)