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The IUCN Green List of Protected and Conserved Areas (the ‘IUCN Green List Standard’) is a new global standard for protected areas in the 21st Century. In line with IUCN’s core mission of ‘A just world that values and conserves nature’ the aim of the IUCN Green List Standard is to improve the contribution that equitably governed and effectively managed protected areas make to sustainable development through the conservation of nature and provision of associated social, economic, cultural, and spiritual values.

Several coastal and marine protected areas (MPAs) participated in the IUCN Green List pilot phase and were successful in achieving the Standard. New MPAs around the world are joining this voluntary process and preparing for candidacy. The 4<sup>th</sup> International MPA Congress (IMPAC4) provides a great opportunity to share different aspects around the IUCN Green List Standard, ranging from the technical side to its application in MPAs. It will also provide a forum for networking among many Green List partners around the world and open dialogue around the opportunities and challenges based on shared experiences from Green Listed sites.

The IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas and the IUCN Global Protected Areas Programme are pleased to announce the participation of various Green List experts and partners during IMPAC4. This is a kind invitation for you to join our different Green List events. Here are the details:

When	Time/Place	Event
Tues 05 Sept	13:30-14:00 Green List Booth	<b>Drop-in Session:</b> Green List in Africa, and Protected Planet Demo
Weds 06 Sept	13:30-14:00 Green List Booth	<b>Drop-in Session:</b> Green List in Americas
	16:30 - 18:30 Terrazza Spa	<b>Workshop:</b> Improving the performance of Marine and Coastal Protected Areas through the IUCN Green List.
Thur 07 Sept	16:30-17:00 Ocean Pavillion	<b>Session:</b> Blue Solutions and the IUCN Green List: solutions and standards for successful MPA management.
	13:30-14:00 Green List Booth	<b>Drop-in Session:</b> Green List in the marine context and in Oceania
	16:30-18:30 Table 3, Terrazza Spa	<b>Knowledge Cafe:</b> Moving towards the IUCN Green List: what guidance and training do MPA practitioners need for participation in the IUCN Green List programme?
Fri 08 Sept	13:30-14:00 Green List Booth	<b>Drop-in Session:</b> Green List in Europe

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The Blue Solutions Initiative is dedicated to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biodiversity. Through training courses and different exchange formats, it contributes to capacity development in the marine context and to supporting decision makers and practitioners in applying 'solutions' and achieving the marine and coastal Aichi Targets of the Convention on Biological Diversity. Blue Solutions synthesizes, collates and shares lessons learnt and best practice in marine and coastal management - innovative concepts and practical approaches that inspire action towards healthy ecosystems that sustain biodiversity and human well-being. Those are what we call 'blue solutions', which are made available through the 'marine and coastal' theme of the PANORAMA - *Solutions for a Healthy Planet* partnership.

We document, promote and share experiences from MPAs around the world, particularly highlighting different governance models and community based approaches, as well as the role of MPAs in enhancing climate change resilience and disaster risk reduction. Blue Solutions aims to enhance the evidence base of MPAs addressing both human needs and conserving nature, and facilitating wider application of successful models.

Join us in our different Blue Solutions events or find us at the Ocean Pavilion's 'Blue Solutions corner', to discover more about the global project, its achievements so far and how to get involved.

For more information, please visit [www.bluesolutions.info](http://www.bluesolutions.info) and [www.panorama.solutions](http://www.panorama.solutions).

When	Time/Place	Event
Tues 05 Sept	15:30-16:00 Ocean Pavilion	<b>Daily Session:</b> Blue Solutions: MPAs as natural solutions to climate change impacts
	16:30-17:30 Terraza Spa-Table 4	<b>Knowledge Café:</b> Solutions for scaling shared and community-led MPA governance
Weds 06 Sept	14:30-15:00 Ocean Pavilion	<b>Daily Session:</b> Blue Solutions: Community-led and shared MPA governance for food security and development
Thur 07 Sept	10:00-11:00 Salon Arena	<b>Workshop:</b> Solutions for MPA financing - success stories and their potential for broader application
	11:30-13:00 Salon Arena	<b>Workshop:</b> Large-scale MPAs - Success stories and learning for the way forward
	16:30-17:00 Ocean Pavilion	<b>Daily Session:</b> Blue Solutions and the IUCN Green List: Solutions and standards for successful MPA management
	17:30-18:30 Terraza Spa-Table 2	<b>Knowledge Café:</b> Effective MPAs for Sustainable Development
Fri 08 Sept	12:00-12:30 Ocean Pavilion	<b>Daily Session:</b> Blue Solutions: MPAs as part of wider marine spatial planning

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