



## NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

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CONCERNING:

Master's course on Management and Conservation of Species in Trade:  
the International Framework

1. The Secretariat is pleased to circulate the information below at the request of the International University of Andalusia (UNIA).
2. UNIA has resumed the organization of the 14th edition of its Master's course on Management and Conservation of Species in Trade: The International Framework. The original planning of the 14th edition, which had been scheduled to take place in 2020, was postponed due to COVID-19 related restrictions rendering the on-campus segment of the course impossible.
3. In the 13 previous courses, 350 students from 97 countries received specialized training on the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) and on the current issues related to the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity.
4. The detailed information on the Master's course, including course structure, schedule, fees, scholarships, and the requisite application forms can be found at the UNIA website, at the URL:  
  
<https://unia.es/CITES>
5. The Master's course is open to graduate students with university degrees. The deadline for preregistration phase is 30 October 2021. The enrolment period is open up to 16 December 2021 (subject to availability).
6. Parties are encouraged to present candidates to the 14th edition of the Master's course to continue strengthening their national capacity to implement the Convention more effectively.



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## UNIA MASTER'S DEGREE IN MANAGEMENT AND CONSERVATION OF SPECIES IN TRADE. THE INTERNATIONAL FRAMEWORK

14<sup>th</sup> edition

On-campus period from 18<sup>th</sup> April to 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022

Virtual period from 1<sup>st</sup> February to 25<sup>th</sup> July 2022

With the support of the CITES Secretariat



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## Background

The International University of Andalusia (UNIA) has now held thirteen editions of this Master's programme. After thirteen editions, it has provided specialized, quality training to **350 students from 97 countries**.

## Objectives of the programme

**The general objective** of the programme is to provide high quality, specialized training on the scientific bases, techniques, and instruments that enable CITES implementation and development, in order to strengthen the fight against illegal trade, particularly in those countries of origin where animals and plants are subject to international trade.

**The specific objectives** are to provide specialized training on:

- The concept of biodiversity at all organizational levels, particularly at population, species, and ecosystem levels.
- Scientific bases and methodologies for identifying and solving problems that hinder proper implementation of CITES.
- Administrative, legislative and enforcement aspects of CITES implementation.
- Biological and trade-related criteria for listing species in CITES.
- Population survey techniques. Population biology, conservation, and management of CITES-listed fauna and flora. *In situ* and *ex situ* conservation methods.
- Application of geographic information systems and spatial data to the study of the current and potential distribution of species and assessment of habitat suitability.
- Wildlife recovery plans and sustainable management programmes.
- Analyses for making non-detriment findings for CITES-listed species.
- Analyses and procedures for the CITES Significant Trade Review.
- Techniques for identification and control of CITES-listed species and specimens.

## Admission into the programme

This Master's programme is appropriate for people who are involved or wish to become

involved in environment-related policy making, in the implementation of CITES and the development of the scientific and technical work required for its implementation at the executive level.

To be eligible for the Master's programme, candidates must hold a bachelor's degree (or an equivalent degree accredited by a university) in one of the following areas: engineering (agricultural, forestry, environmental); veterinary science; biological science; zoology; botany; environmental science; chemistry; geography and history; humanities; education sciences; law; policy and international relations. The academic record, the professional and scientific curriculum, and its relationship with the application of CITES are valued.

## Duration and academic structure

The Master's Degree consists of 60 ECTS\* (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System) credits. The programme is structured as follows:

- A. On-campus period from 18<sup>th</sup> April to 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022 (presence required) related to the contents of eleven subjects (clustered into 3 sections). Subjects 3, 4 and 11 will be given in English and Spanish with simultaneous interpretation. If external funding is not available, the rest of the subjects will be given only in English.
- B. Research period (presence not required), in which students will perform research tasks in preparation for the final Master's Thesis.

**On-campus credits:** 44 ECTS credits will be taught at the Antonio Machado Site of the International University of Andalusia for 11 weeks from Monday to Friday, in morning and afternoon sessions. Monitoring and assessment will consist of weekly individual and/or group tests on the covered contents.

**Virtual period:** from 1<sup>st</sup> February to 25<sup>th</sup> July 2022. The UNIA Virtual Platform will provide further learning experience and various practical activities on the course content.

**Research period:** 16 ECTS credits will be given for supervised research activities leading to the presentation of a Master's Thesis. To

obtain the Master's Degree issued by the International University of Andalusia, participants must first pass the on-campus period and subsequently prepare and submit a Master's Thesis. The thesis must be completed and approved within the deadlines set by the University (1 October 2022-first call or 1 April 2023 final call). Students who fail to meet this requirement must register and pay again for the 16 research credits in the next edition of the Master's programme.

### Academic content during the on-campus period

#### Subject 1: "Biodiversity and the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES): Introduction"

18-22 April 2022

#### Subject 2: "CITES: General aspects"

25-29 April 2022

#### Subject 3: "Implementation of CITES: Part I Administrative aspects"

3-6 May 2022

#### Subject 4: "Implementation of CITES: Part II Administrative aspects"

9-13 May 2022

#### Subject 5: "Animal Species regulated by CITES"

16-20 May 2022

#### Subject 6: "Management of Fauna"

23-27 May 2022

#### Subject 7: "Plant Species regulated by CITES"

30 May -3 June 2022

#### Subject 8: "Applications of Geographic Information Systems for species management"

6-10 June 2022

#### Subject 9: "Implementation of CITES: Scientific aspects – Non-detriment findings Fauna"

13-17 June 2022

#### Subject 10: "Implementation of CITES: Scientific Aspects – Non-detriment findings Flora"

20-24 June 2022

#### Subject 11: "Techniques for Identification and Control of Species in International Trade"

27 June- 1 July 2022

### Admission requirements and registration process. Application deadlines

#### 1. - Pre-registration phase: from 15<sup>th</sup> April to 30<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Applicants must submit to [baeza@unia.es](mailto:baeza@unia.es) the following documentation:

1. Application form (standard form) (<http://www.unia.es/CITES>).
2. Curriculum vitae ([Europass CV](#))
3. Photocopy of ID card or passport.
4. Passport-size photograph.
5. Certified photocopy accrediting university degree.
6. Certified photocopy with the academic transcript.

#### 2. - Evaluation period of applications and communication to students: 1<sup>st</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> November 2021

#### 3. - Enrolment period: from 15<sup>th</sup> November 2021 to 16<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Enrolment fee: 2 630 €.

Registration: 60 €.

Issuance of student card: 4.50 €.

Diploma issuance fee: 150 € (to be paid upon completion of the Master's Course).

Academic transcript: 8 € (if requested by student).

#### Bank details for payment:

Bank transfer or payment into the following account:

Entity: LA CAIXA

Office: Isla de La Cartuja (Seville)

Account holder: UNIVERSIDAD INTERNACIONAL DE ANDALUCÍA

Tax Identification Number - Q7350007F

Account number: ES78 2100 9166 75 2200074348

IBAN: ES78 2100 9166 75 2200074348

SWIFT (BIC) Code: CAIXESBBXXX

Information to apply for a UNIA scholarship will be available shortly at the Web

### RESIDENCE SERVICE

A single room for the duration of the on-campus period is 1875 € per person. A shared double room for the duration of the on-campus period is 750 € per person.

### INFORMATION AND ENROLMENT

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