



International University of Andalucía. Antonio Machado Headquarters, Baeza. Jabalquinto Palace.

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

**14<sup>th</sup> edition**

**On-campus period from 13<sup>th</sup> April to 26<sup>th</sup> June 2020**

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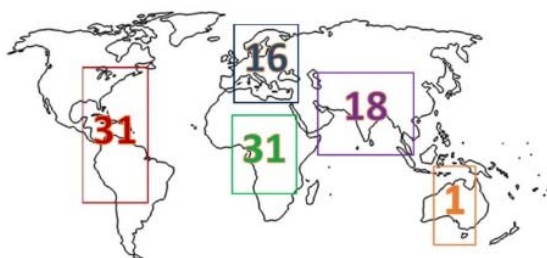
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## Background

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 **336 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.
- Synergies between CITES and the CBD. Strategic plans. Access to genetic resources and sharing of benefits arising from their utilization.
- Techniques for negotiating multilateral environmental agreements. Environmental governance.

## 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.

## 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 (presence required), related to the contents of eleven subjects (clustered into 5 sections). Subjects 2, 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. 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 (26<sup>th</sup> September 2020 or 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021). 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 as a paradigm"*

13<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> April 2020

Subject 2: *"The Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES)"*

20<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> April 2020

Subject 3: *"Animal species regulated by CITES"*

27<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> April 2020

Subject 4: *"Implementation of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) – Administrative aspects"*

4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Subject 5: *"Plant species regulated by CITES"*

11<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Subject 6: *"Management of fauna"*

18<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2020

Subject 7: *"Applications of geographic information systems for species management"*

25<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Subject 8: *"Implementation of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES); Scientific aspects – Fauna"*

1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Subject 9: "Implementation of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES); Scientific aspects – Flora"

8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Subject 10: "The Convention on Biological Diversity – Synergies with CITES"

15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Subject 11: "Techniques for identification and control of species in international trade"

22<sup>nd</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> June 2020

## Admission requirements and registration process. Application deadlines

### 1. - Pre-registration phase: From 1<sup>st</sup> July to 30<sup>th</sup> October 2019

Applicants must submit the following documentation:

1. Application form (standard form) ([www.unia.es/impresos](http://www.unia.es/impresos)).
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. - Enrolment period: From 11<sup>th</sup> November to 16<sup>th</sup> December 2019

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:

La Caixa, IBAN ES7821009166752200074348.

**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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