



# Shaping the future of mountain economies

## Introducing the Puigcerdà Declaration

11 December 2024, Brussels

Venue: Delegation of the Government of Catalonia to the European Union,  
Rue de la Loi 227, 1040 Brussels

## AGENDA

From 15 to 18 October, mountain stakeholders from across Europe gathered in Puigcerdà, Catalonia, to discuss the future of mountain economies as part of the 13th European Mountain Convention. Hosted by the Government of Catalonia and co-organised with Euromontana, the European Association of Mountain Areas, and CREAM, the event was an opportunity for participants to reflect together on the challenges and opportunities facing mountain economies.

On 11<sup>th</sup> of December, **International Mountain Day**, Euromontana and the Government of Catalonia will organise a **policy debate** to share the main recommendations that emerged from the European Mountain Convention and discuss the way forward for mountains in the context of renewed European institutions.

### 15.00 | Registrations

### 15.30 | Welcome and introduction

- **Ester Borràs Andreu**, Delegate of the Government of Catalonia to the European Union
- **Víctor Puga López**, Secretary of Territory, Urbanism and Urban Agenda at the Government of Catalonia

### 15:50 | Presentation of the “Puigcerdà Declaration” on how to shape the future of mountain areas

**Laura Gascón Herrero**, President of Euromontana & member of the Coordination Group of the European Rural Pact.

### 16:10 | Panel discussion

Representatives from European institutions and regional representations.

- **Celine Ollier**, Senior Auditor, European Court of Auditors
- **Marie-Antoinette Maupertuis**, President of the Corsican Assembly and member of the European Committee of the Regions
- **Michele Nori**, Policy Officer, European Commission’s Directorate for Agriculture and Rural Development

### 17:10 | Questions and answers

### 17.30 | Networking reception

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