International Mountain Tourism Day 2025

Ribbon-cutting Ceremony for the "China-Spain Cultural and Tourism Exchange Exhibition

10:00-10:10 •

Invite specific guests cut the ribbon for the "China-Spain Cultural and Tourism Exchange Exhibition"

10:20-10:20 🔶

Guests visit the "China-Spain Cultural and Tourism Exchange Exhibition"

Opening Session: Opening Ceremony of "International Mountain Tourism Day 2025" Theme Events

Part One: Opening Addresses		
10:30-10:35	•	Mr. Antonio Morales Méndez, President of the Government of Gran Canaria, Spain
10:35-10:40	•	Leader of Spanish Tourist Office
		Mr. Liang Nan, Counsellor of Embassy of the Peoples' Republic of China in
10:40-10:45	•	Spain
10:45-10:50	•	Ms. Christine Brew, Representative of UN Tourism
10:50-10:55	•	Ms. Yang Changqing, Director of the China National Tourist Office in Madrid
10:55-11:00	•	Mr. Dominique de Villepin, Chairman of IMTA
Part Two: Releasing Ceremony		
11:00-11:10	•	Mr. Peter Semone, Chairman of the Pacific Asia Travel Association (PATA), releases the <i>Asia-Pacific Mountain Tourism Development Report (2025)</i>
11:10-11:15	•	Releasing of the "International Mountain Tourism Day 2025" Gran Canaria Initiative
Part Three: MOU Exchange Ceremo	ony	
11:15-11:20	•	IMTA exchanges MOU with UN Tourism

"Innovation in Mountain Tourism & Local Community Participation" Theme Forum

11:40-11:55 •	Mr. Michel Julian – Senior Programme Officer at the Tourism Market Intelligence,Policies and Compettiveness Department of UN Tourism
11:55-12:10 •	Mr. Giorgio Grussu, Project Coordinator of the Mountain Partnership Secretariat (MPS), Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO): Sustainable Rural Tourism for the Benefit of Mountain Communities;
12:10-12:25 •	Mr. Dai Bin, President of China Tourism Academy (CTA) (by video)
12:25-12:40 •	Mr. Carlos Vogeler, Former Executive Director of UN Tourism



Exchange and Sharing Session of Mountain Culture and Tourism

Stage 1: Guest Speeches				
15:00-15:05	•	Mr. He Yafei, Vice Chairman and Secretary-General of IMTA (by video)		
		Minister of Tourism and Employment of the Government of		
15:05-15:10	•	the Gran Canaria, Spain		
15:10-15:15	•	Song Xiaolu, Deputy Director General of Department of Culture and Tourism of Guizhou Province, China		
Stage 2: Exchange and Share - Wellness and Leisure Lead the New Trend of Mountain Life				
15:15-15:25	•	Mr. Carlos Álamo Cabrera, Minister of Tourism of the Government of Gran Canaria, Spain		
15:25-15:35	•	Mr. Charles Davidson, Vice-President of the World Federation of Hydrotherapy and Climatotherapy (FEMTEC), Chair of Hot Springs Initiative of Global Wellness Institute (GWI)		
15:35-15:45	•	Mr. Guo Weiyi, Chairman of Guizhou Tourism Industry Development Group Co., Ltd., China		
15:45-15:55	•	Ms. Yolanda Perdomo, Travel and Tourism Board Advisor Former Director of Madrid Tourism, Spain		
		Mr. Li Chauwan Europetico Descident of China International Compins		
15:55-16:05	•	Mr. Li Shouwen, Executive President of China International Camping Congress		
Stage 3: Panel Discussion - "Integration of Mountain Tourism and Local Culture"				
16:05-16:15	•	Mr. Djibril Fofana, Secretary General of World Assocaiton for Hospitality and Tourism Education and Training (AMFORHT)		
16:15-16:25	•	Mr. Xie Linjiang, Director-General of the Publicity Department CPC Pengzhou Municipal Committee		
16:25-16:35	•	Mr. Dharma Raj Panthi, Chairman of Trekking Agencies' Association of Nepal (TAAN), Gandaki		
16:35-16:45	•	Mr. Ji Xiaodong, President of China Chamber of Tourism		
16:45-16:55	•	Mr. Carlos Antoun Hazard, Managing Partner of Nimba Mountain Ecolodge, Liberia		

China-Spain Cultural and Tourism Exchange Exhibition

Date: 28 - 29 May, 2025 September 28 - 29 May, 2025 Expomeloneras Convention Center, Maspalomas, Gran Canaria, Spain

Through brush paintings and photographic works, this exhibition showcases the breathtaking natural scenery and profound cultural heritage of mountain destinations of China and Spain. It is a journey of ink and imagery, across mountains and oceans, to carry our vision to the world: "to protect mountain resources, preserve mountain civilization, and promote mountain economy to the benefit of the people living in mountainous regions."

"Night of Gran Canaria" Welcome Dinner

🕒 Night of 28 May, 2025 (Wednesday) 🙎 Sala Scala, Gran Canaria, Spain

Opening Performance: Showcase the local customs and ethnic characteristics of Gran Canaria through cultural and artistic presentations.

Site Tour of the Mountain Tourism Industry in Canaria

🕒 30 May, 2025 (Friday)

Organize IMTA members in a tour and exchange of operational experience at renowned mountain tourism destinations in the Canaria Islands, Spain.

