



Tikal Summit
Peten Guatemala
Heart of the Maya Biosphere Reserve
October 10 - 13 2022

Convenor
Global Conservation

Technical Leaders

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Colorado State University

Organizing Partners





Tikal Summit

Tikal National Park, Peten, Guatemala

Global Conservation and our Partners in Conservation have invited you to attend a three-day Tikal Summit for National Leaders in Park and Wildlife Protection of Latin America.

This intensive training event for National Park and Protected Area Leaders from Latin America will focus on key challenges facing national parks and wildlife, showing examples of success and best practices in the region.

James R. (Jim) Barborak and Ryan Finchum, Co-Directors at Protected Area Management, Warner College of Natural Resources, Colorado State University will provide intensive training on Leadership and Best Practices in Protected Area Management, Law Enforcement, Community Protection and Sustainable Financing

We will hear from each of our colleagues at other UNESCO World Heritage sites and endangered national parks their challenges and potential solutions.

Hosted in Peten, Guatemala by Francisco Asturius, Director of Fundaeco - Mirador National Park, the Tikal Summit will have workshops and presentations, combined with explorations into Tikal National Park with leading experts and government officials.

Designed for leaders from national parks, along with in-country partners and high-level government authorities, our goal is the knowledge sharing of solutions and challenges, integrated park management planning and to build camaraderie and a community of practice among national park professionals.

Global Conservation supports our park communities with the skills, knowledge, competencies, and optimism to conserve the biodiversity and ensure high quality stewardship of some of the world's most important protected areas.

Tikal Summit Agenda
Peten, Guatemala
Heart of the Maya Biosphere
Reserve

October 10 – 14, 2022

Sunday, October 9th – Travel Day

ARRIVE Guatemala City

Camino Real Hotel
14 Calle 0-20, Ciudad de Guatemala
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DINNER – 8pm in the Lobby

Monday, October 10th — DAY ONE

- 11:00 **OPENING I** - Marco Cerezo, FUNDAECO
Museum of Ceramics Auditorium
- 11:10 **WELCOMES** by Guatemalan Government - CONAP
Consejo Nacional de Areas Protegidas
- 11:20 **OPENING II** - Jeff Morgan of Global Conservation
Introductions to CSU, Partners and Keynotes
Rainforest Trust – Summit Foundation – MarFund - FundaEco
- GLOBAL PARK DEFENSE – An Overview
Leadership – Enforcement - Systems & Technology - Communities
- GC PROJECTS - Central America – Max Villabobos
- GC PROJECTS - South America – Margoth Quispy
- 12:45 **SUMMIT LOGISTICS**
- Francisco Asturias & Germanico Barrios, FUNDAECO
- 13:00 **LUNCH – Jungle Lodge**

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Monday, October 10 — DAY ONE

14:00 **REVIEW OF AGENDA AND PROGRAM**

LEARNING FROM OTHERS – Jim Baborak, CSU
National Park Leaders of Latin America

Answer 2 Questions – One Sentence Answers

- 1) What is your Goal(s) for the Tikal Summit?
- 2) Greatest Single Management Challenge?

14:30 **NATIONAL PARK LEADERSHIP** - Ryan Finchum, CSU

Part 1: What is leadership and how does the application of leadership position us for success?

Part 2: Conservation needs us all: therefore, it is time to start practicing self-leadership. Five components of self-leadership; building a self-leadership toolkit

15:30 **SHARED CHALLENGES** - Jim Barborak, CSU Reviewing Shared Challenges for National Parks of Latin America Central America – Max Villabobos and 3 GC Projects South America – Margoth Quispy and 3 GC Projects Regional Discussion – Summary of Challenges

16:30 **PARK MANAGEMENT PLANNING** – Jeff Morgan

16:45 **WORLD CAFÉ BREAKOUTS** - 8 GROUPS - Ryan Finchum, CSU Review of agenda, objectives, and ground rules. Eight (8) Moderated Groups – Solutions and Best Practices – 15 Minutes

- 1) Leadership and Human Resources
- 2) Park Protection and Enforcement
- 3) Marine Protection and Enforcement
- 4) Community-based Protection
- 5) Sustainable Tourism Development
- 6) Financials Sustainability (REDD, VCS, Tourism, other)
- 7) Systems and Technology – Global Park Defense
- 8) Scientific Monitoring – Forests and Species

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Monday, October 10 — DAY ONE

18:00 **SUMMIT REPORTS** – Groups 1 – 8: 15 Minutes Each
Moderated by Jim Barborak, CSU and Group Leads

19:30 **DINNER**
Jeff Morgan, Host

SPEAKERS

Francisco Asturius, Director Mirador National Park, FundaEco
Salvemos la Vida del Planeta Tierra

Dr. Olena Slobodian, Saving Ukraine
Protecting the Carpathians National Nature Park

Tables Rotated Each Evening

NATIONAL PARK MANAGEMENT PLANNING

PRIMARY DRIVERS AND BIG IDEAS

- i. Threats Assessment
- ii. Protection Plan
- iii. Enforcement Resources
- iv. Community Protection
- v. Wildlife Management
- vi. Forest and Marine Monitoring
- vii. Tourism Development / Visitor Use
- viii. Sustainable Financing

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Tuesday October 11 – DAY TWO

- 7:00 **BREAKFAST**
- 8:00 **WELCOME**
Review of Day One Results and Day Two Agenda
- 8:30 **SUMMIT REPORTS** – Groups 5 – 8: 15 Minutes Each
Moderated by Jim Barborak, CSU and Group Leads
- 9:30 **LEADERSHIP**
Using leadership to go from vision to action - Ryan Finchum, CSU

Part 3: Leaders have a vision – values, smart goals, and our vision tree
Part 4: Leadership is creating change – tools for creating change
- 10:30 **COFFEE BREAK**
- 11:00 **WORLD CAFÉ BREAKOUTS** - 8 GROUPS - Ryan Finchum, CSU
Review of agenda, objectives, and ground rules

Eight (8) Groups – Solutions and Best Practices – 2 x 45 Minutes
- 1) Leadership and Human Resources
 - 2) Park Protection and Enforcement
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- 12:30 **SUMMIT REPORTS** – Groups 1 – 8: 10 Minutes Each
Moderated by Jim Barborak, CSU and Group Leads
- 14:00 **LUNCH**

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15:00 GLOBAL PARK DEFENSE PRESENTATIONS

INTRODUCTION – Jeff Morgan, Global Conservation

NATIONAL PARK MANAGEMENT PLANNING – Jim Barbarak, CSU

EARTHRANGER – Jes Lefcourt, AllenAI

CELLULAR TRAILCAMS / TRAILGUARD - Max Villalobos

GLOBAL FOREST WATCH - Ruth Nogueron

16:30 10 MINUTE BREAK

16:40 GLOBAL PARK DEFENSE PRESENTATIONS

INTRODUCTION – Jeff Morgan, Global Conservation

COMMUNITY PROTECTION - Margoth Quispy

SMART PATROLLING – Francisco Asturius, Andrea Soza

MARINE MONITOR – Brendan Tougher, Protected Seas

18:00 COCKTAIL SOCIAL HOUR

NATIONAL PARKS GALLERY & CHALLENGE BOARD

19:30 DINNER

Rotate Tables – Informal Discussions and Introductions

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Wednesday October 12 – DAY THREE

- 7:00 **BREAKFAST**
- 8:00 **EXPANDING NATIONAL PARKS THROUGH CRITICAL LAND ACQUISITIONS** - Dr. James Deutsch, CEO Rainforest Trust
- 9:00 **NEW DIRECTIONS FOR PROTECTED AREAS**
New directions in management planning, zoning, financing for protected areas – Jim Barborak, CSU
- BREAKTHROUGHS** - Presentation and Discussion
Latest advances in park and wildlife protection - Ryan Finchum, CSU
- 10:00 **COFFEE BREAK**
- 11:00 **UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE**
Leveraging International Designation for Tourism and Protection – Ryan Finchum, CSU
- 11:30 **SUSTAINABLE FINANCING**
REDD+ VCS, Legacy Landscapes – Jeff Morgan, Global Conservation
- 12:00 **KEYNOTE – GUATEMALA - CRADLE OF MAYA CIVILIZATION**
Ricky Lopez Bruni – Filmmaker and Artist known for Serpiente Emplumada (2019) and Guatemala - Sauver le Quetzal, l'oiseau sacré des Mayas (2021)
- 12:30 **TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT**
Generating Revenues for Park and Wildlife Protection and Community Development
- 13:00 **LUNCH – Jungle Lodge**
- DISCUSSION: SUSTAINABLE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT**
Welcome representatives of tourism leaders arriving from Tikal, Peten, Guatemala and abroad.

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- 14:30 **SUSTAINABLE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT**
Growing Sustainable Tourism in National Parks in Latin America
Backpacker to High-End – Strategy for Market Capture
- Presentations from the Tourism Industry**
- Four (4) brief presentations (10 minutes)
- Panel Discussion – Questions and Answers**
- The Next Inca Trail: Connecting with the World
Ciudad Perdida, Colombia
- Marketing a Wildlife and Nature Destinations
Yasuni National Park, Ecuador
- Corcovado National Park – Guide Association
- Mirador National Park – Community Tourism
Cooperatives
- 16:00 **REVIEW OF KEY FINDINGS AND CONSENSUS**
Moderated by Jim Barborak, CSU
- 17:00 **THE TIKAL DECLARATION**
Moderated by Marco Cerezo, FUNDAECO
Building consensus among leading protected area managers and nature-based tourism operators and their supporters about strengthening key protected areas in Latin America: World Café approach with tables on different key topics with pre-selected facilitators/moderators at each table, followed by presentation and discussion of a draft declaration.
- 17:45 **SUMMIT CLOSING**
- 18:00 **COCKTAIL SOCIAL HOUR**
NATIONAL PARKS GALLERY
- 19:30 **DINNER**
KEYNOTE – Dr. Richard Hansen
Mirador National Park and Wilderness

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Thursday, October 13 – DAY FOUR

8:00 BREAKFAST

EARLY RETURNS TO MUNDO MAYA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
BUS SHUTTLES for Flights to Guatemala City - 6AM - 8AM – 9AM

OPTIONAL TOUR OF TIKAL NATIONAL PARK

11:00 HOTEL CHECK OUT

12:00 LUNCH

OPTIONAL TOUR OF TIKAL NATIONAL PARK

15:00 BUS SHUTTLES for Flores Lakeside City Tour and Early Dinner

17:30 RETURN TO MUNDO MAYA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
20:55PM Flight to Guatemala City

22:00 ARRIVE Ciudad de Guatemala
Hotel Camino Real
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NATIONAL PARK MANAGEMENT PLANNING

3 PRIMARY DRIVERS AND BIG IDEAS

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