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UNIA MASTER'S DEGREE IN MANAGEMENT AND CONSERVATION OF SPECIES IN TRADE.

THE INTERNATIONAL FRAMEWORK

16th edition



Hybrid modality (Modality in accordance with Royal Decree 822/2021, of 28 September, whereby the virtual nature of the programme may include in its academic structure up to 20% of face-to-face teaching or the face-to-face nature may include up to 40% of virtual teaching).

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BACKGROUND

The International University of Andalusia (UNIA) has now held fifteen editions of this Master's programme. It has provided specialized, quality training to 418 students from 107 Parties.

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, among others, to provide specialized training on:

- Biodiversity and Trade of species.
- 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.
- 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. Number of students to be admitted: 30.

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:

- On-campus period from 13th April to 28th June 2026 (presence required) related to the contents of eleven subjects (clustered into 3 sections). It will be given in English.
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 1st February to 1st September 2026.
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, related CITES, in the country of the students 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, subsequently prepare, and submit a Master's Thesis. The thesis must be completed and approved within the deadlines set by the University (1st October 2026-first call or 1st April 2027 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"**
13-19 April 2026
- **Subject 2: "CITES: General aspects"**
20-26 April 2026

- **Subject 3: “Implementation of CITES: Part I Administrative aspects”**
27 April-3 May 2026
- **Subject 4: “Implementation of CITES: Part II Administrative aspects”**
4-10 May 2026
- **Subject 5: “Animal species regulated by CITES”**
11-17 May 2026
- **Subject 6: “Management of fauna”**
18-24 May 2026
- **Subject 7: “Plant species regulated by CITES”**
25-31 May 2026
- **Subject 8: “Applications of Geographic Information Systems for species management”** 1-7 June 2026
- **Subject 9: “Implementation of CITES: Scientific aspects – Non-detriment findings for fauna”**
8-14 June 2026
- **Subject 10: “Implementation of CITES: Scientific aspects – Non-detriment findings for flora”**
15-21 June 2026
- **Subject 11: “Techniques for identification and control of species in international trade”**
22-28 June 2026

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND REGISTRATION PROCESS. APPLICATION DEADLINES

1. Pre-registration phase: from 4th May to 31st October 2025

Applicants must submit to alumnos.titulos.propios@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.
7. English Level Certificate

2. Evaluation period of applications and communication to students: 1st - 14th November 2025

3. Enrolment period: from 15th November 2025 to 16th December 2025

Enrolment fee: 3 120 €.

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 to the following account: BANK: 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

SCHOLARSHIPS

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

RESIDENCE SERVICE

A single room for the duration of the on-campus period is **2400 € per person**.

A shared room: 960 € per person

INFORMATION AND ENROLMENT

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