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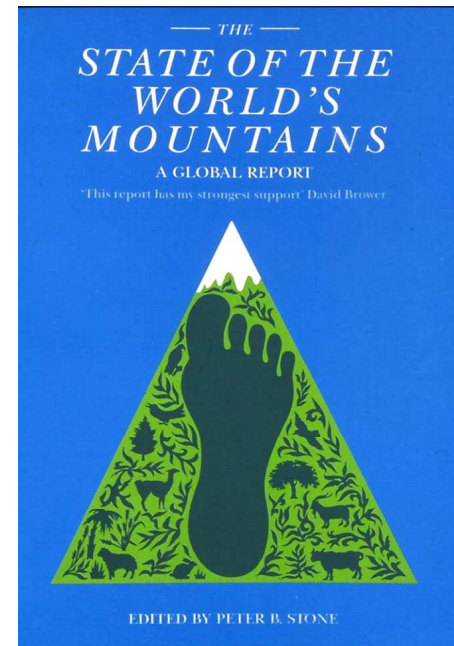
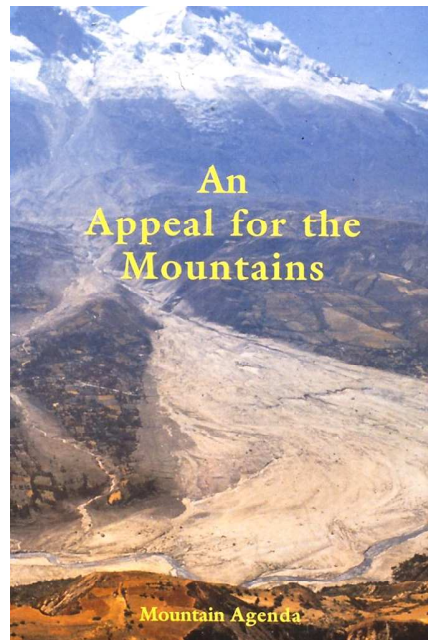
The local dimension of international mountain development

Mountain Partnership Secretariat



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1992: Rio Earth Summit





AGENDA 21 CHAPTER 13

1992: Rio Earth Summit

- “Mountains & upland areas cover some 20% of the surface of the earth”
- “10 per cent of the world's population depends on mountain resources”





Local Agenda 21

Chapter 28

LOCAL AUTHORITIES' INITIATIVES IN SUPPORT OF AGENDA 21

Each local authority should enter into a dialogue with its citizens, local organizations and private enterprises and adopt “a local Agenda 21”



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1996 : Climate change

CLIMATE CHANGE 1995

Impacts, Adaptations and Mitigation
of Climate Change:
Scientific-Technical Analyses



Contribution of Working Group II
to the Second Assessment Report of the
Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change





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Climate change

1806



1973





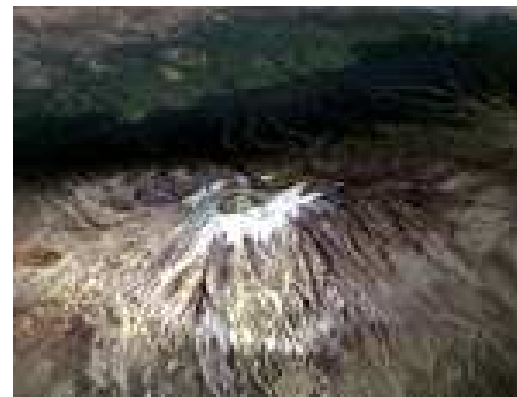
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Climate change

1993



2000





1998: UN General Assembly

Resolution for an
International
Year of Mountains

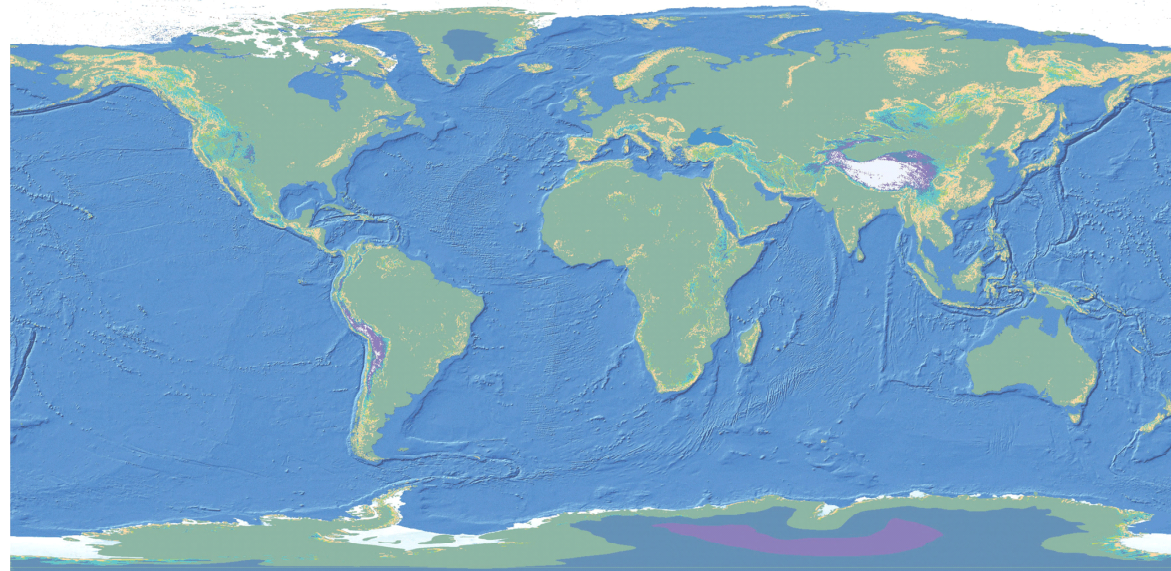
- Sponsored by
130 countries





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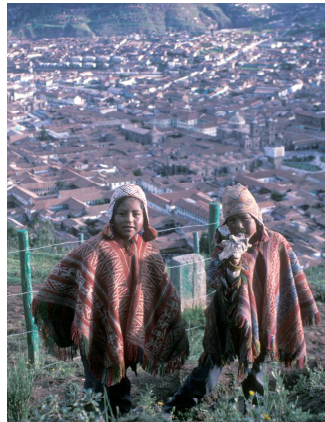
2000:
24% of the Earth's land surface





2001, 2003: Mountain people

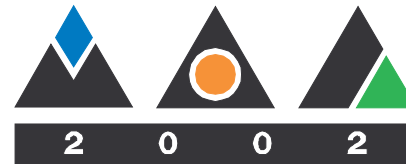
- 26% in and around mountains (Meybeck et al., 2001)
- 12% in mountains (FAO, 2003)





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2002



International Year of
MOUNTAINS

We are all mountain people

www.mountains2002.org

- 78 countries with national committees
- National and regional events & initiatives
- Global meetings



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2002: World Summit on Sustainable Development



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2005: Millennium Ecosystem Assessment





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Mountain Partnership membership:

Countries (47)

Intergovernmental organizations (15)

Major group organizations (80)

tot: 142



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Various thematic and geographic initiatives:...

**Education, research, gender,
policy and law...**

Andes, Europe, Central Asia...



KEY EMERGING ISSUES...

- **issue of self-governance**
- **empowerment of local communities**
- **involvement of all stakeholders in decision making processes**



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promoting self-governance...

decentralized cooperation of
mountain local authorities...a
powerful tool



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**sustainable mountain development
can be achieved only by integrating
efforts... and combining:**

- **support by the national level**
- **involvement at local level**



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