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Slow Spring 2010 - Nature and photography event in Italy

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From 1 April to 30 May 2010, DELTA 2000, a local Italian environmental organisation, with the support of LIPU (BirdLife in Italy), will organise 'Slow Spring 2010', an initiative which will include several events such as photo exhibitions, sport and ecotourism activities and will take place in the Po Delta Region, Italy. The 5th International Po Delta Birdwatching and Nature Tourism Fair will play a central role in Slow Spring 2010 and will open its doors on 30 April 2010.

The event reinforces its position as the main country event in Italy. It will host the leading companies from the optics and photography sectors, as well as clothes and specific tools for environmental education.

Furthermore several wine, food and sport initiatives will 'invade' Cervia's old town centre and the Channel Port, with exhibitions and sale of organic products, plants and gardening tools in the 'Organic-market'. Numerous walks, biking and boat trips will allow people to discover the region and its great biodiversity.

"Slow Spring is a great initiative which helps people get closer to nature and learn more about how to respect and protect biodiversity", commented the Director Angela Nazzaruolo.

"Slow Spring helps people get closer to nature" —Angela Nazzaruolo, Director of DELTA 2000

Visitors will choose among the various activities which will be organised, such as seminars and talks, photographic workshops and educational workshops. LIPU will take part in the organisation of several activities, such as delivering birdwatching lessons and education activities for children and teenagers.

This is completely in line with the aim of the International Po Delta Birdwatching and Nature Tourism Fair, supported by LIPU and BirdLife International since 2004. The initiatives intend to promote the Po Delta region through

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activities and field trips. Thanks to the collaboration with LIPU, Delta 2000 decided to support the BirdLife Preventing Extinctions Programme, which focuses on threatened species and supports the work on the ground needed to save them.

The Po Delta is one of the most important European wetlands and classified as Important Bird Area (IBA), as it is a key site for wintering waterbirds and for colony-breeding waterbirds. The area is now seriously threatened by an intentional oil spill which is polluting the Po river, putting the life of many birds at risk. LIPU and LPO (BirdLife in France) are working together to save the birds affected by the spill. For more information click here.

More information about the fair can be viewed here.

More on the **BirdLife Preventing Extinctions Programme** here.

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