

CITES COP19 SIDE EVENT

SAVING PLANTS THAT SAVE LIVES:

risks and opportunities of trade in
medicinal and aromatic plants

Trade in wild plants underpins healthcare, industries, and livelihoods. Many of these species are at risk from increasing demand and a lack of sustainability considerations.

Over 800 medicinal and aromatic plants are listed on CITES Appendix II, including flagship species for health and well-being, such as Candelilla *Euphorbia antisyphilitica*, Jatamansi *Nardostachys grandiflora*, and African Cherry *Prunus africana*.

This side-event supports the discussions of the Agenda item 82 of the CITES CoP19, and related agenda items (including on *Boswellia* spp, Appendix-II Orchid species), focusing on the innovative approaches and collaborations (including WildCheck platform) to ensure the sustainability of trade in these vital species.

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**WEDNESDAY,
16 NOVEMBER**

Time: 17.15-19.00

Location: Caribe 5

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AGENDA

Welcome and introduction: CITES Secretariat

Scene-setting: Trade in medicinal and aromatic plants: risks and opportunities

TRADE IN MEDICINAL AND AROMATIC PLANTS: SHARING INNOVATIONS AND SOLUTIONS

Resource management and monitoring of sustainable off-take:
experience with Candelilla in Mexico **CONABIO (CITES MA/SA)**

Decentralized resource management and monitoring:
community-based forestry approaches with Jatamansi in Nepal **Department of Forests and Soil
Conservation of Nepal (CITES SA)**

Authentication challenges: managing species adulteration and
the Medicinal Plants Name Service **Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew
(CITES SA)**

Supply chain sustainability: opportunities of voluntary
certification standards and market-end action **The Federal Agency for Nature
Conservation (BfN) (CITES SA)**

Increasing knowledge and collaboration market to source:
WildCheck platform **TRAFFIC**

**Please join us to discuss innovative approaches and collaborations to the management and
sustainability of trade in CITES-listed medicinal and aromatic plants**

Refreshments will be provided

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