

# GREEN•KUMBH •YATRA•

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PILGRIMAGES, SACRED NATURAL SITES AND THE  
SPIRITUAL SIGNIFICANCE OF BIODIVERSITY

*The Living Planet Foundation in collaboration with the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, DiversEarth, IUCN, Sacred Natural Sites Initiative and Vikasa Tarangini invite you to a day of discussion and cultural celebration during the Eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP 11) of the Convention on Biological Diversity in Hyderabad, India.*



This one-off event will bring together a high level panel of spiritual leaders, policy makers, scientists, leaders of faith-based institutions and representatives from the Secretariat of the CBD and other international agencies to share and exchange knowledge on pilgrimages, sacred natural sites and the spiritual dimension of biodiversity.

After a morning of presentations, debate and in-depth dialogue from many different perspectives, you are invited to have lunch and then join us for an unforgettable afternoon of cultural performance. This celebration will launch the journey of the 'Kumbh', first to Allahabad for the Maha Kumbh Mela in January 2013 (the biggest spiritual gathering on earth) and then to many different countries as it makes its way to the next CBD Conference of Parties in Korea in 2014. This Green Kumbh Yatra aims to engage local, traditional and religious communities in the move to ensure the protection of the world's bio-cultural diversity.

SUNDAY,  
OCTOBER 14 2012

10:00AM TO 1:30PM

Panel Discussion

*Group Room 1, Ground Level COP 11, Hyderabad International Convention Centre*

2:30PM TO 4:30PM

Ceremonial Inauguration of the "Green Kumbh Yatra" and Cultural display: Local artists will perform traditional Indian music and dance.

*Pool Area, Novotel Hyderabad International Convention Centre*



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