

AGENDA

WAZA Mid-year Meeting 2025

Day 1 - Wednesday, 23 July 2025

8:00 AM - 8:05 AM <i>(CEST)</i>	Opening of the 2025 WAZA Mid-Year Meeting MC: Janet Ho, WAZA Director of Membership & Events
8:05 AM - 8:10 AM <i>(CEST)</i>	WAZA President Address: A 90-Year Legacy Karen Fifield, WAZA President, Te Nukua o Wellington Zoo Chief Executive
8:10 AM - 8:25 AM <i>(CEST)</i>	WAZA CEO Updates Martín Zordan, WAZA CEO
8:25 AM - 9:00 AM <i>(CEST)</i>	Day 1 Keynote: Citizens of the Reef Andy Ridley, Citizens of the Reef CEO
9:00 AM - 9:20 AM <i>(CEST)</i>	Updates on WAZA Goals Paula Cerdán, WAZA Head of Conservation and Animal Welfare
9:20 AM - 10:20 AM <i>(CEST)</i>	2030 Conservation Goal Workshop WAZA Conservation and Environmental Sustainability Committee
10:20 AM - 10:35 AM <i>(CEST)</i>	Break
10:35 AM - 10:40 AM <i>(CEST)</i>	Welcome Back MC: Janet Ho, WAZA Director of Membership & Events
10:40 AM - 11:20 AM <i>(CEST)</i>	Panel: Intergenerational Perceptions on Zoos and Aquariums Moderator: Kanako Tomisawa, Omuta City Zoo Chief Education Officer Speakers: Sara Arshad, TikTok Client Solutions Team; Melissa Correa, Parque das Aves Communications Manager; Jimmy Doherty, Jimmy's Farm & Wildlife Park CEO
11:20 AM - 11:35 AM <i>(CEST)</i>	IZE Conservation Education Dr Judy Mann, WAZA Council Member, International Zoo Educators Association (IZE) President
11:35 AM - 11:55 AM <i>(CEST)</i>	Panel: WAZA Membership - What's in it for you? Moderator: Elaine Bensted, WAZA Council Member Speakers: Sanna Hellström, Korkeasaari Zoo CEO; Laura Simmons, Merlin Entertainments' Head of Conservation, Welfare and Education; Eric Tsao, Conservation and Research Center CEO
11:55 AM - 12:00 PM <i>(CEST)</i>	Closing of Day 1 MC: Janet Ho, WAZA Director of Membership & Events

Day 2 - Thursday, 24 July 2025

8:00 PM - 8:05 PM (CEST)	Opening of Day 2 MC: Rosa Pons, WAZA Head of Communications
8:05 PM - 8:20 PM (CEST)	Guest of Honour Address Razan Al Mubarak, IUCN President
8:20 PM - 8:30 PM (CEST)	Partnerships & Advocacy: Mid-Year Progress Report Loïs Lelanchon, WAZA Head of Partnerships & Advocacy
8:30 PM - 9:05 PM (CEST)	Day 2 Keynote: Hello Future: The Story of Transformation at Manchester Museum, European Museum of the Year 2025 Prof. Esme Ward, Manchester Museum Director
9:05 PM - 9:25 PM (CEST)	2030 Conservation Goal Workshop - Result Sharing WAZA Conservation and Environmental Sustainability Committee
9:25 PM - 9:35 PM (CEST)	Reverse the Red Update Mike Clifford, Reverse the Red Strategy Director
9:35 PM - 10:00 PM (CEST)	The Risk We've Been Ignoring: Cybersecurity Kristin Demoranville, AnzenSage CEO and Founder
10:00 PM - 10:15 PM (CEST)	Break
10:15 PM - 10:20 PM (CEST)	Welcome Back MC: Rosa Pons, WAZA Head of Communications
10:20 PM - 11:00 PM (CEST)	Panel: What the Global Zoo and Aquarium Community Can Learn from Recent UK Legislative and Regulatory Change Moderator: Gareth Siddorn, Chester Zoo External Affairs Director Speakers: David Field, Royal Zoological Society of Scotland CEO; Simon Girling, Scottish Government Veterinary Adviser; Jo Judge, BIAZA Chief Executive
11:00 PM - 11:20 PM (CEST)	Extreme Climate: Lessons in Resilience Douglas Eriksen, Cango Wildlife Ranch Chief of Staff
11:20 PM - 11:35 PM (CEST)	Challenges for Aquariums Peggy Sloan, Seattle Aquarium President & CEO
11:35 PM - 11:55 PM (CEST)	Finding Your True North - The Power of a Master Plan Karen Fifield, WAZA President, Te Nukua Wellington Zoo Chief Executive; Tim Schikora, Zoologischer Garten Schwerin gGmbH CEO
11:55 PM - 11:59 PM (CEST)	Closing Address by WAZA Vice-President David Field, Royal Zoological Society of Scotland CEO