



Govern d'Andorra

**16 September 2009**

**International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer:  
“Universal participation: Ozone protection unifies the world”**



Since 1995, on 16 September each year, the International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer is celebrated. This date has been designated by the United Nations General Assembly to commemorate the signing of the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. This commemoration around the world offers an opportunity to focus attention and action at the global, regional and national levels on the protection of the ozone layer.

The Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer and for the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer entered into force in Andorra last April.

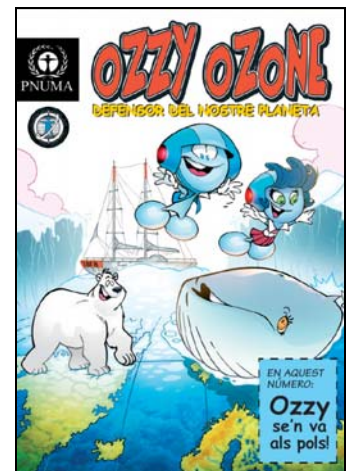
The main theme of this year, *Universal participation: Ozone protection unifies the world*, shows the importance of being united for the protection of the ozone layer. This commemoration is special as all the industrialized countries will have to achieve, for the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2010, the goal of the elimination of the 100% of CFC's, halons and CTC's.

For the celebration of this International Day, the Department of Environment of the Government of Andorra has organized activities that aim at make aware the citizens of the protection of the ozone layer.

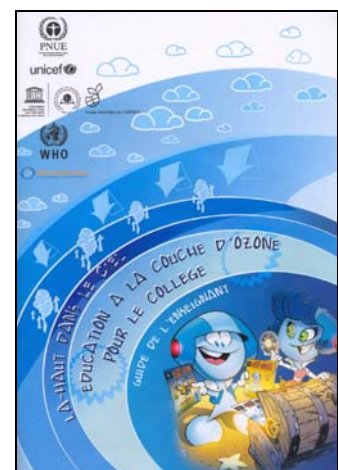
### **Wednesday 16 of September at 19.30 h**

Opening of the first commemoration of the International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer by HE. Mr. Vicenç Alay Ferrer, Minister of Territorial Planning, Environment and Agriculture.

The Minister of Territorial Planning, Environment and Agriculture will present the translation of the comic book "Ozzy Goes Polar" to Catalan. This book was distributed this day to all the schools.



The Minister of Territorial Planning, Environment and Agriculture will offer to all primary and secondary schools Packs (Teacher's Book and Student's Book) developed by UNEP OzonAction Programme under the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol with partners UNESCO, WHO and UNICEF. The kit aims at raising awareness and encouraging the active participation of young people in the debate on ozone depletion.



Screening of a short animation created by the United Nations for the celebration of the International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer.

Conference “[The Montreal Protocole: the whole world united for by a treaty on the protection of the ozone layer](#)”, by Mr. Etienne Gonin, consultant of the United Nations Environment Program, division of technology, industry and economy. (Conference in French).

All the activities will take place at the BIBM conference room in Andorra la Vella.

## **Thursday 17 of September**

### **CONFERENCE SERIES ON THE PRESERVATION OF THE OZONE LAYER**

**9h00:** “[Application modalities of the Montreal Protocol in France](#)”, conference by Mr. Vincent Szleper, representative of the Division for the protection of the ozone layer of the French Ministry of Ecology, Energy, Sustainable Development and Territorial Planning. (Conference in French).

**9h30:** “[The Spanish experience in the application of the Montreal Protocol](#)”, conference by Ms. M<sup>a</sup> Dolores Rollán Monedero, from the General Under- Direction for the air quality and the Industrial Environment of the Spanish Ministry of Environment and Rural and Marine environment. (Conference in Spanish).

**10h:** Conference “[Protection of the Ozone Layer safeguarding the climate: examples of substitutive technologies for the substances that deplete the ozone Layer](#)”, by Mr. Etienne Gonin, consultant of the United Nations Environment Program, division of technology, industry and economy. (Conference in French).

**10h30:** Break

**11h:** “[Cold and sustainable development: problems and solutions for the ozone layer and the climate warming](#)”, by Mr. Didier Coulomb, director of the International Institute for Refrigeration. (Conference in French).

**11h30:** Presentation of the draft regulation of Andorra on substances that deplete the ozone layer and substitutive substances, by Ms. Íngrid Barruz, from the Uria Company. (Presentation in catalan).

**12h:** Round Table.

All the activities will take place at the BIBM conference room in Andorra la Vella.

**20<sup>th</sup> September at 10.30h**

## **POPULAR BIKE RIDE**

Andorra is commemorating the European Mobility Week (from the 16th to the 22th September) with the 6th Popular Bike Ride. This year, at the end of the ride, all the participants will be invited to play to the **Ozzy Ozone Game**, in a giant format. The goal is to explain, by the game, the more important concepts of the preservation of the ozone layer to the children.

Place: Parking of the Pardines Path. Encamp  
More information at Andorra Sostenible, tel. 80 87 80.



## **September**

## **PIOLET MAGAZINE**

The children magazine *Piolet*, which is free and read by most of the children of Andorra, has included in the number of September, an article about the ozone layer.



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