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Conserve Areas
VCA Registry

LETTER OF SUPPORT VCA REGISTRY

To whom concern,

This is to inform you that I, Mr Hermelindo Castro Nogueira, will be giving support to Association Alvelal to registrering this area as a confirmed VCA.

Alvelal territory is a geographically defined area managed to conserve nature. Alvelal has an área based conservation programm that includee actions to use living natural resources sustainably as well as actions to preserve, maintain, restore and enhance the area's natural environment.

The goal of Alvelal is based on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) for the conservation and sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems and on the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD): *Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss (SDG 15).*

Yours sincerely,



CAESCG CENTRO ANDALUZ PARA LA
EVALUACIÓN Y SEGUIMIENTO
DEL CAMBIO GLOBAL
Hermelindo Castro Nogueira

BIOGRAPHICAL REVIEW

Hermelindo Castro Nogueira is Doctor of Biological Sciences and Professor of Ecology in the Biology and Ecology Department of Almería University. He has been the coordinator of Environmental Sciences at this university; the Provincial Director of the Environmental Agency (1985-1994); General Director of the network of Protected Andalusian Natural Areas (2000-2004); General Director of the Andalusian Water Institute (2004-2008) and Director of the Andalusian Centre of Assessment and Monitoring of Global Change since 2008.

His teaching and research commitment is linked to applied ecology and conservation biology. He is the co-author of more than twenty books about Andalusian natural aspects and its representative ecosystems. He has published thirty papers in scientific journals and twelves articles of scientific dissemination. Fifteen projects focused on applied ecology and the management of natural resources, nature conservation and valuing, among others, Cabo de Gata until it became Cabo de Gata Níjar Natural Park in 1985.