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MOUNTAIN ECOSYSTEMS AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
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Technical Session Group No.	5
Technical Session Group Name	Transhumance; Pastoralism; Rangeland Governance
Topic	Governance of Pastures and Grasslands: Role of Local Institutions
Sub-Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Examples of common grasslands governance institutions: the case of Spain ▪ Weakening, undermining and alienation of grassland governance institutions ▪ Impact of policies on grassland governance institutions ▪ The role of grasslands governance institutions on facing the current global systemic crisis
Synopsis (if any) (max. 100 words)	The aim of this lecture is to explore grassland governance local institutions in Spain. Most grazing lands in Spain are common, especially in the highlands, and their governance institutions are extremely old. The environmental benefits of traditional grazing governance in Spain are among the best studied and most recognized traditional uses. Although extensive pastoral activity are increasingly supported by the administration and society in general due to its cultural and environmental values, the sector is undergoing a long, profound crisis, mostly caused by the current economic system, that only value short term monetary gains disregarding social, environmental and cultural outcomes
List of Learning Material (Files to be availed to us before 31 August 2021)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ PPT/Presentation (very soon). ▪ List of weblinks (further reading): https://www.cbd.int/protected/ts64-country-case-studies/