

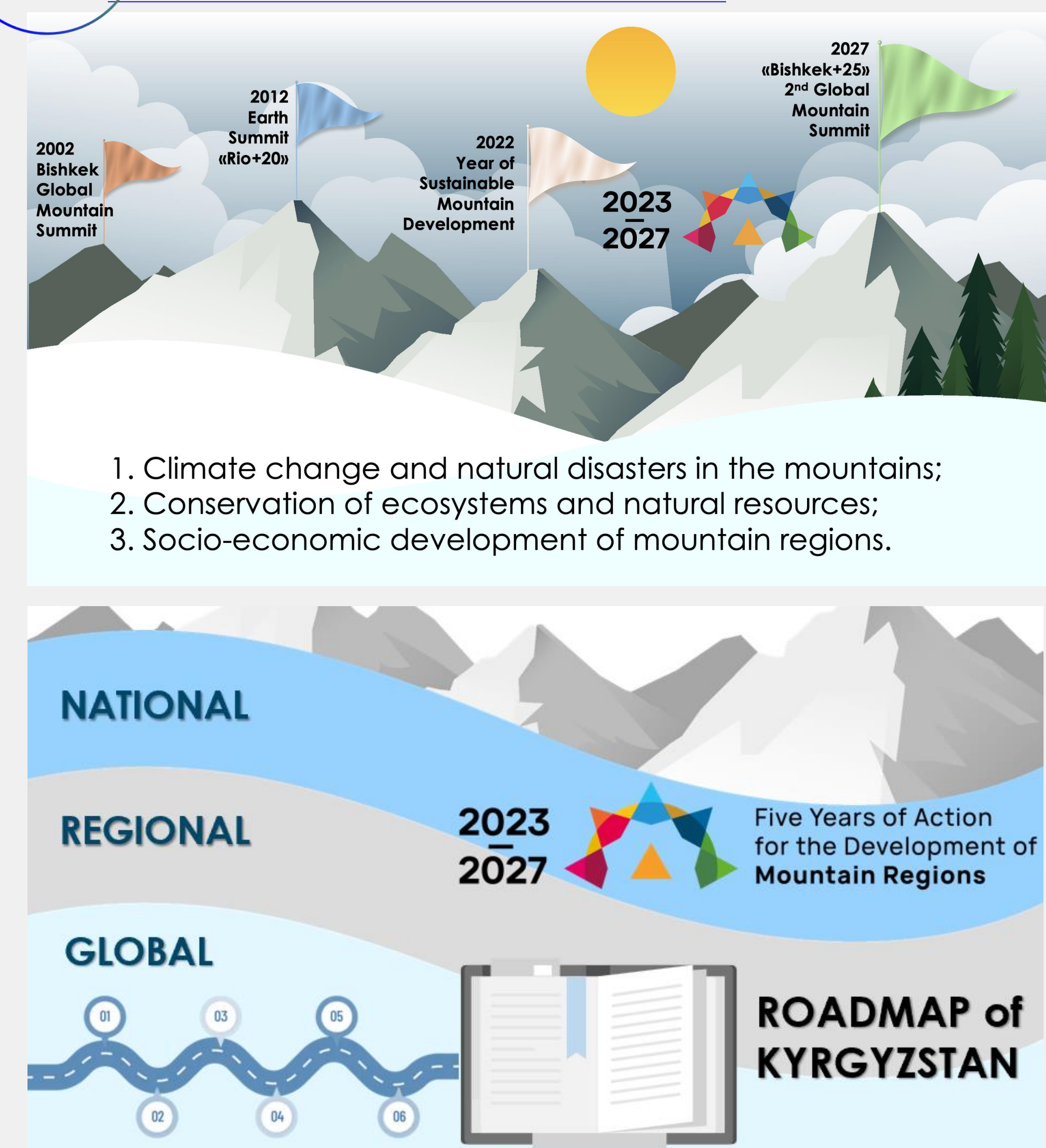
Technical & policy segment

Global Initiatives of Kyrgyzstan on Mountains & Climate Change Agenda

1. Introduction

Covering around 1/4 of the Earth's surface, mountains are key ecosystems that provide humanity with essential goods and services such as water, food, biodiversity and energy. However, mountain ecosystems are severely and increasingly affected by biodiversity loss, melting glaciers, climate change and land degradation. As of 2017, mountains were home to about 1.1 billion people and those people in mountain areas are among the world's poorest.

2. Key figures



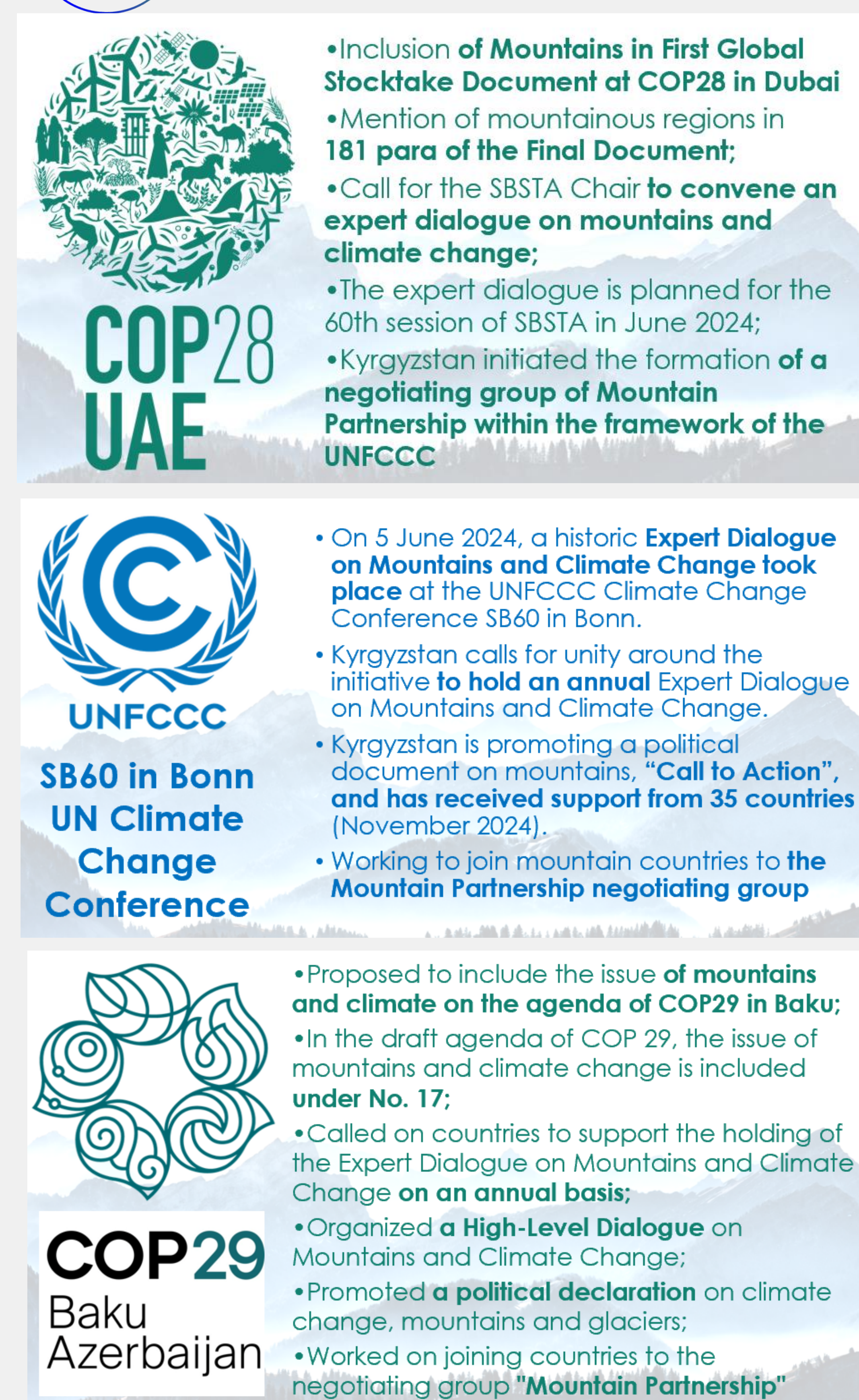
3. National, Regional and Global levels

National level: Coordinated efforts to engage government, scientific, public, and international organizations in implementing a national roadmap through events, information platforms, forums, and proposals to address mountain development issues and expand partnerships.

Regional level: Strengthening regional cooperation in Central Asia through initiatives like the Tien Shan Convention, improved infrastructure, trade, and leveraging experiences from other mountain regions, while promoting biodiversity efforts, such as snow leopard conservation, and fostering scientific and environmental ties globally.

Global level: Advocating for global recognition of mountain countries' needs through institutional reforms, debt relief for sustainable development, integration of mountain-specific concerns into international frameworks, and preparation for the 2027 Global Mountain Summit "Bishkek+25"

4. Key lessons



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