

Carpathian Expo Carpathian Convention COP7

Carpathian Pastoralism and cooperation with International Year of
Rangelands and Pastoralists (IYRP)

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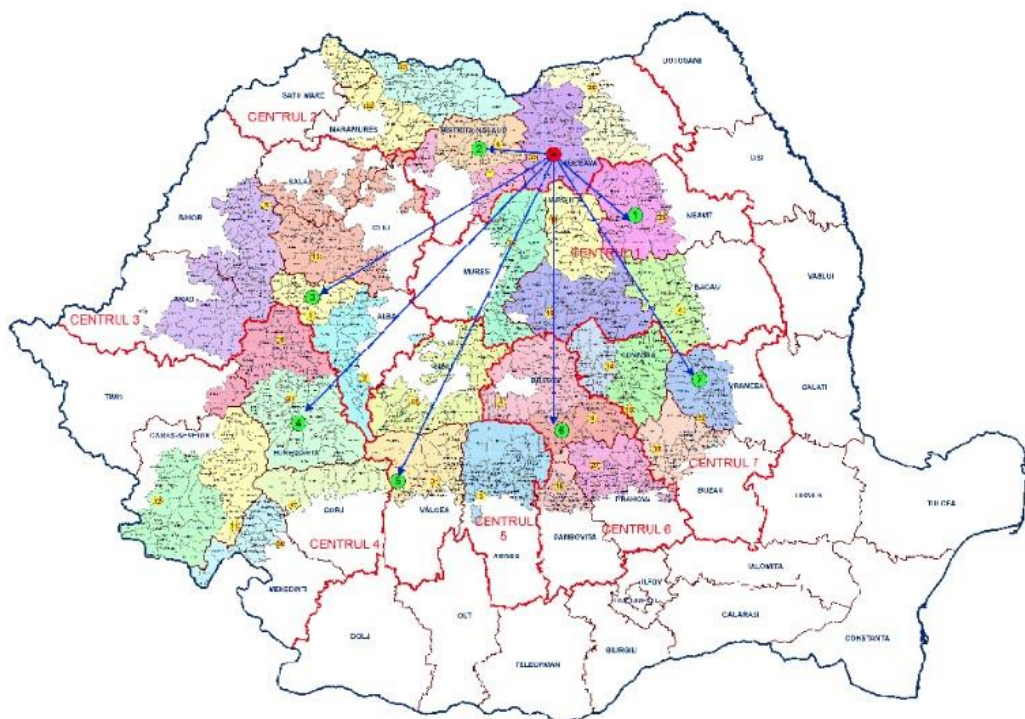
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NATIONAL AGENCY OF MOUNTAIN AREA

- Under the direct subordination of **Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development**
- 7 regional centers; 32 mountain development offices.

Purpose: to implement the Government strategies and policies in order to develop and protect the mountain area



Main activities

Elaborates legislation acts for sustainable development and protection of the mountain areas

Organizes professional training courses, provides consultancy and technical assistance

Manages the quality scheme “Mountain Product”

Management of national investment programmes for mountain area

Coordinates the activities of National Massif Committees

Provides the secretary of the National Mountain Council

CARPATHIAN CONVENTION WG SARD CHAIR



CARPATHIAN TRANSHUMANCE



✓ Priority Activity of the Carpathian Convention WG SARD

✓ Needs and gaps :

- Lack of awareness
- Capacity building
- Communication
- Support to herders
- Educating younger generation





CARPATHIAN TRANSHUMANCE



Transhumance is practiced in the Carpathian Mountains since ancestral times.

Important contribution to:

- ✓ biodiversity of the meadows and grasslands
- ✓ preservation of local traditions,
- ✓ linguistic enrichment
- ✓ promotion of immaterial cultural heritage.

- ✓ Strengthening cultural identity
- ✓ Developing the community and transhumant profession
- ✓ Sustainable and territorialised farming production
- ✓ Cooperation for social inclusion
- ✓ Strengthening ties between families, communities and territories





Outcomes in preserving the cultural phenomenon of pastoralism and transhumance



Romanian Nomination of pastoralism to UNESCO ICH

- ready to share experience with other Carpathian countries





Cooperation with International Year of Rangelands and Pastoralists



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Focal Point Spain Nomination Transhumance UNESCO ICH

Member FAO Pastoralists Knowledge Hub

Member League for Pastoral People and Endogenous Livestock Development

Member Spanish Platform for Extensive Livestock and Pastoralism & Rete Appia

**JOIN OUR ROUNDTABLE on
Pastoralism and Education for
Sustainable Development!**

- **discussing collaborations towards
IYRP 2026**