













Carpathian Convention is a regional instrument for enhancing implementation of global and European policies

Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework

Reducing threats to biodiversity

Targets 1-8

Meeting
people's needs
through
sustainable use
and benefitsharing

Targets 9-13

Tools and solutions for implementation and mainstreaming

Targets 14-23



Implementing the Global Biodiversity Framework (GBF) through the Carpathian Convention

Global Process

- New GBF to under auspices of the Convention on Biological Diversity adopted CBD COP15 in 2022
- Active engagement of the Secretariat in raising the importance of mountain biodiversity and promoting the Carpathian Convention with the global process

Role and Contribution of the Carpathian Convention

- Strong mandate of the Carpathian
 Convention (COP6 Decisions)
- Carpathian Convention as regional mechanism for the implementation, an example of unique regional cooperation
- Enhance synergies among different biodiversity-related conventions
- **Empower** the GBF process in the region and involve stakeholders
- Promote mountain biodiversity

Carpathian Commitments

Ministerial declaration on the Carpathian Commitments for the implementation of the GBF (November 2022 Rzeszów, Poland)

- Carpathian Biodiversity
 Framework
- Renewed MoC between the CBD, the Alpine Convention and the Carpathian Convention

Carpathian Ministerial Conference marked a milestone in regional cooperation

21-22 November 2022 in Rzeszów, Poland

High-level representatives of the 7 Carpathian Convention Parties gathered to discuss the most pressing challenges of the region: biodiversity protection and the crisis in Ukraine.

Declaration adopted at the Conference:

- Carpathian Commitments for the new post-2020
 Global Biodiversity Framework implementation
- Declaration on impact of the war on the environment in Ukraine and the need for cooperation and assistance







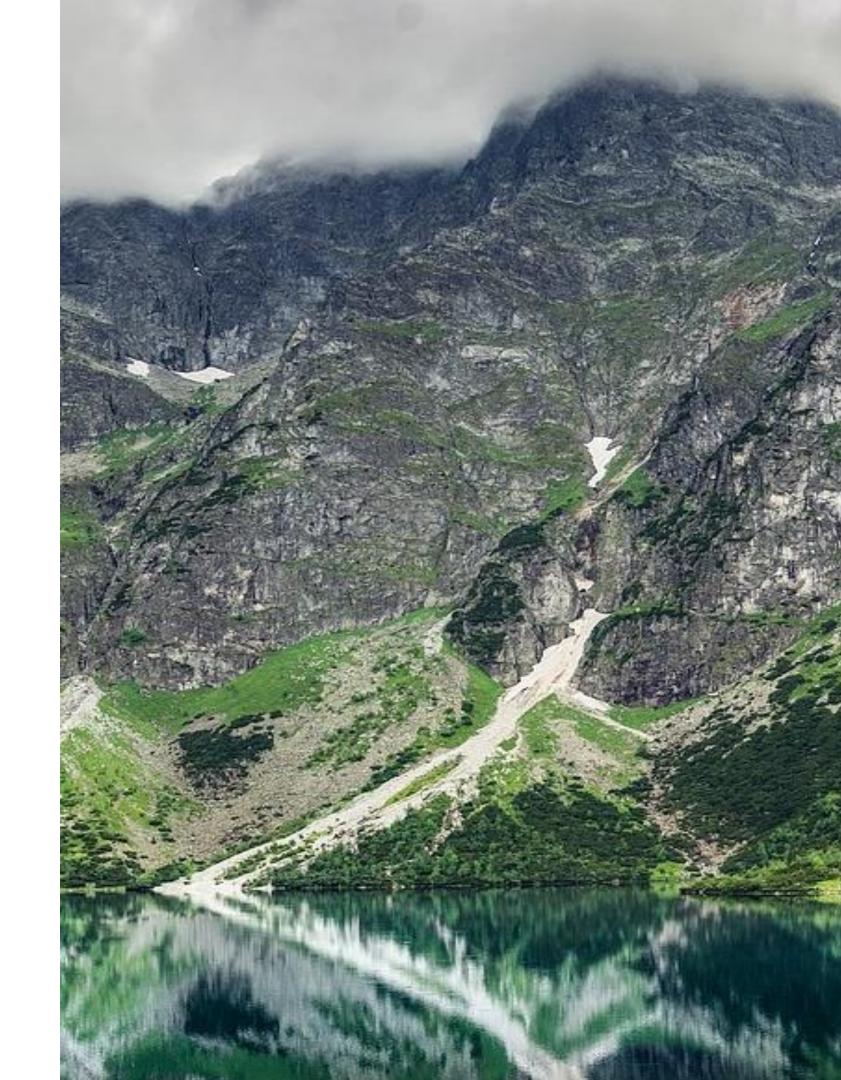




Carpathian Biodiversity Framework uplift the Carpathians as a model mountain region

The Carpathians are a model mountain region for sustainable development and preservation of the natural environment by:

- supporting the implementation of GBF at a regional scale
- translating the global goals and targets into transformative actions by various stakeholders at the regional level
- creating synergies with important regional, European and global objectives
- fostering joint activities in main priority areas of cooperation
- underling the importance of regional approaches for the GBF implementation
- serving as an example for other international agreements and frameworks



Carpathian Biodiversity Framework sets a vision statement and 8 Strategic Objectives for the region

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Carpathian Biodiversity Framework is a tool to implement the Convention by supporting transformative actions across and within sectors

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Coordinate efforts on conservation, restoration and sustainable use of **biodiversity**.

Sustainably manage and protect Carpathian forests.

Cooperate on making **tourism** sustainable to maximize benefits and mitigate negative impacts.

Develop **transport** and related infrastructure sustainably by implementing environmentally friendly transport models and systems.

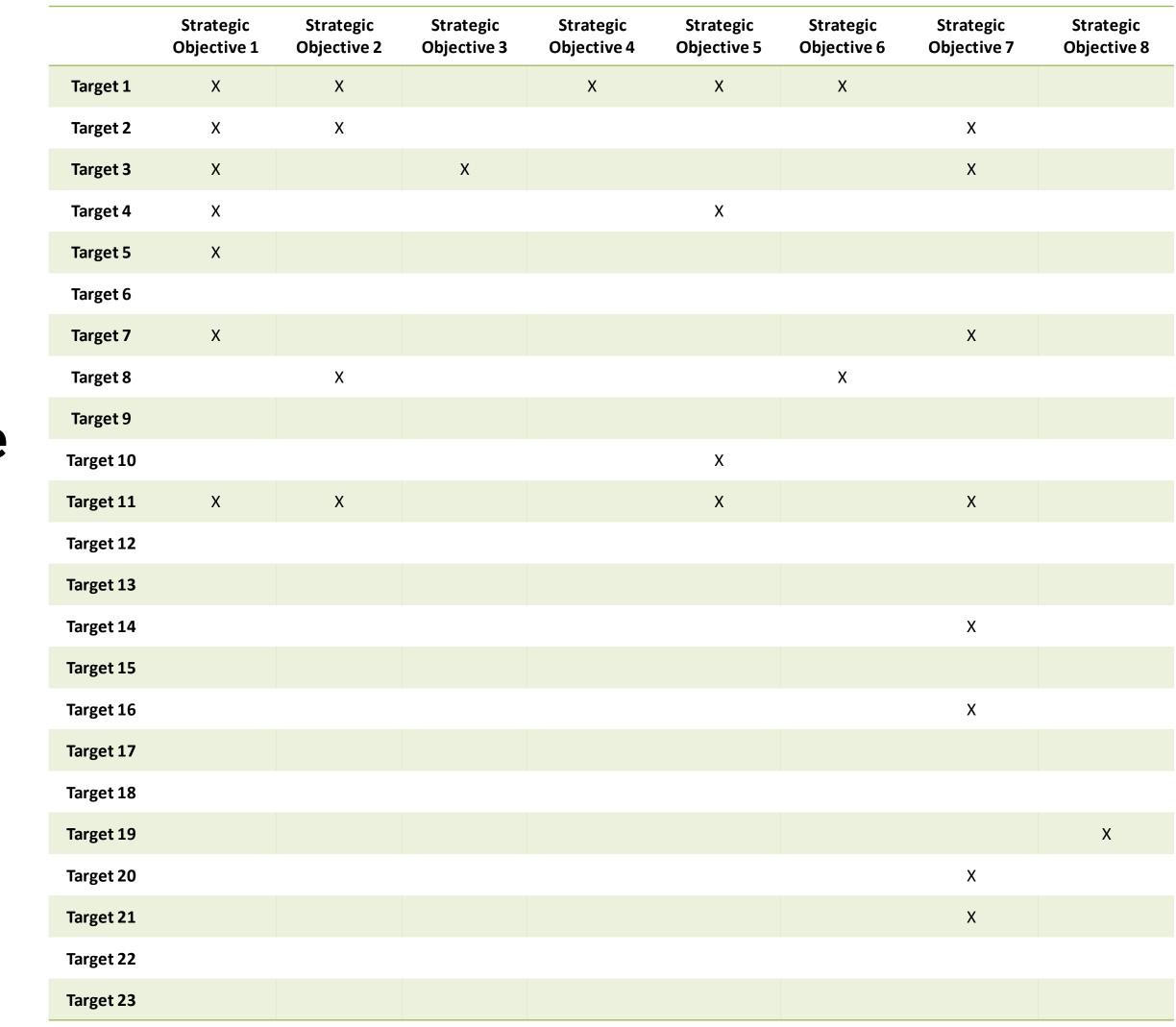
Maintain traditional knowledge on traditionally cultivated land and sustainable **agriculture** practices.

Strengthen regional resilience through **climate change** mitigation and adaptation.

Strengthen **public awareness** about the Convention's objectives by integrating lifelong learning, global education approaches and cross-sectoral cooperation into the Convention's activities.

Cooperate with **Ukraine** on protecting and sustainably developing the whole Carpathian region to address the direct and indirect impacts of the war in Ukraine on the Carpathians.

8 objectives contextualize the GBF's Targets to the Carpathians







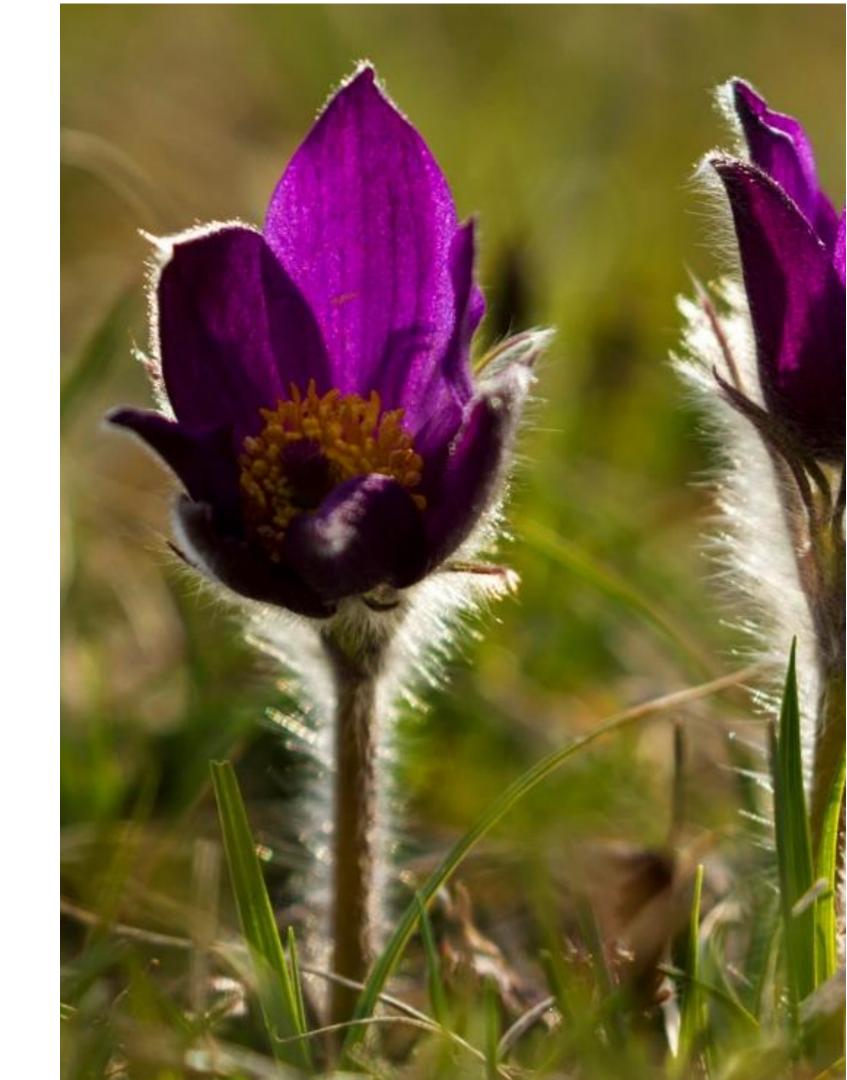


Cross-sectoral cooperation across the Convention's activities can be achieved by mainstreaming biodiversity

Integrating biodiversity considerations, and cross-sectoral cooperation, can be achieved by:

- Mainstreaming the Carpathian and mountain related topics into the revised National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans
- Establishing national and/or regional intersectoral committees
- Organizing on a regular basis intersectoral meeting
- Synergies and cooperation with other relevant MEAs and regional and European process and partners and stakeholders
- Developing and implementing Carpathian strategic projects

ANNEX: a comprehensive compilation of tasks and activities contributing to the implementation of the Carpathian Biodiversity Framework and by its extension to the Global Framework



NEXT STEPS

Adoption of the Carpathian Biodiversity Framework =

reaffirming our commitment to a sustainable future for the Carpathian region

Need for dedicated implementation!



