

TRANSGREEN aims to contribute to safer and environmentally-friendly road and rail networks that are being developed in the Czech Republic, Hungary, Romania, Slovakia, and Ukraine.

TRANSGREEN means a better connected Carpathian region with transport infrastructure that takes nature into account.

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Integrated Transport and Green Infrastructure Planning in the Danube-Carpathian Region for the Benefit of People and Nature



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The network of highways and railways that connect key areas of Central and Eastern Europe to the rest of the continent is being planned for development right now. This “large infrastructure” will be developed across the Carpathian Mountains and will cross valuable ecosystems comprised in natural protected areas, including Natura 2000 sites, threatening to fragment, divide and to disturb them. In order to prevent and to diminish these threats and pressures on nature, the TRANSGREEN project aims to develop an environmentally-friendly and safe transport network in the Czech Republic, Hungary, Romania, Slovakia, and Ukraine.

The concrete measures regarding the planning, building, management and monitoring of large infrastructure will focus on four pilot-projects: the Tîrgu Mureş - Iași motorway (Romania), the Arad (Radna) - Deva railway (Romania), the Miskolc (Hungary) - Kosice (Slovakia) - Uzhgorod (Ukraine) motorway, the Beskydy motorway (Czech Republic - Slovakia).



Pilot Areas:

1. Beskydy
2. Miskolc - Košice - Uzhgorod
3. Arad (Radna) - Deva
4. Tîrgu Mureş - Iași

Competent partners from various fields of activity (research, government, environment, construction) joined forces to foster dialogue and to promote inclusion of various perspectives in planning processes and policy-making and to develop concrete solutions for reducing the environmental impact of the expanding land transport infrastructure in the four selected pilot areas along the Trans-European-Network of Transport (TEN-T).

These organizations have the know-how, capacity, experience and authority to develop concrete solutions to reduce environmental impact and design suitable Green Infrastructure elements. One focus will be maintaining uninterrupted ecological corridors which ensure the free movement of species most vulnerable to the impact of motorways and railways: large carnivores (such as the brown bear, the wolf and the lynx) as well as certain species of herbivores.

Project partners:

Austria - WWF International Danube-Carpathian Programme (project lead)

Czech Republic - Friends of the Earth Czech Republic - branch Olomouc, Nature Conservation Agency, Transport Research Centre

Hungary - CEEweb for Biodiversity

Romania - Association "Milvus Group", WWF Romania

Slovakia - National Motorway Company, State Nature Conservancy of the Slovak Republic, SPECTRA - Centre of Excellence of EU - Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava

Associated project partners:

Austria - Ministry for Transport, Innovation and Technology

Czech Republic - Ministry of the Environment

Hungary - National Infrastructure Developing Private Company Ltd.

Poland - Ministry of Infrastructure and Construction

Romania - Ministry of the Environment, Ministry of Transport

Slovenia - Ministry of Infrastructure

Ukraine - Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources, Transcarpathian Regional State Administration - Department of Ecology and Natural Resources