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Carpathian Convention PoW Progress Report June 2011 – November 2012

Fourth Carpathian Convention Implementation
Committee

5 – 7 December 2012, Vienna, Austria



1. Conservation and sustainable use of biological and landscape diversity

- **SEE BIOREGIO Carpathians project**
- **Carpathian Convention Biodiversity Working Group**
(March 2012, Banska Bystrica, Slovakia)

Possible actions taken by CCIC:

- Approval of the final version of the format of the Biodiversity Protocol Implementation Report (paper version)
- Possible assistance to SNCSR in data collection for the elaboration of the Carpathian Red List of Species and Habitats and List of Invasive Alien Species and to the other BIOREGIO Carpathians partners for the development of the project outputs of their responsibility
- Contacts with BIOREGIO Carpathians project partners in their respective countries in order to ensure their commitment in fulfilling their project tasks



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1. Conservation and sustainable use of biological and landscape diversity

- **Carpathian Network of Protected Areas Steering Committee meeting** (March 2012, Banska Bystrica, Slovakia/November 2012, Vienna, Austria)

Possible actions taken by CCIC:

To mandate the CNPA SC to approve a temporary arrangements related to the establishment of the CNPA Unit to be implemented by the Secretariat

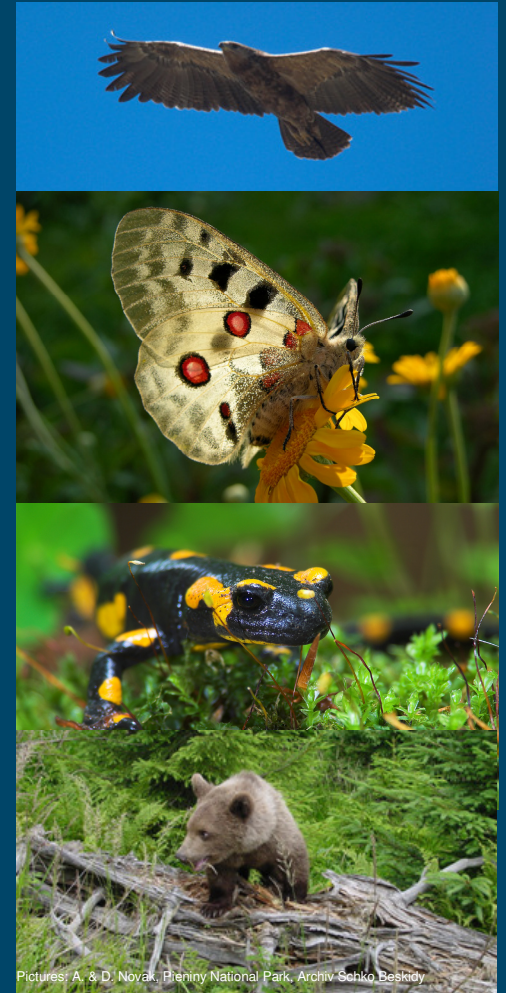


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1. Conservation and sustainable use of biological and landscape diversity

- **European Ramsar Meeting**
(September 2011, Trnava, Slovakia)
- Regular contacts and exchange of information with the **Carpathian Wetland Initiative**



2. Spatial development

- **General Assembly of the European Association of Elected Representatives from Mountain Regions**
(April 2012, Covilha, Portugal)
- **Regular contacts with the Joint Technical Secretariat for the South East Europe Programme**
- **Cooperation with the Committee of the Regions**



2. Spatial development

- 1st and 2nd edition of the **Conference “Europe of the Carpathians”** (September 2011/2012, Krynica Zdrój, Poland)
- **The Alpine – Carpathian Cooperation Forum** (September 2012, Rzeszow, Poland)

Possible actions taken by CCIC:

Promotion of the Strategic Action Plan (SAP) for the Carpathian Area and priority actions for the Carpathians in relevant meetings at EU level



3. Sustainable and integrated water/river basin management

- **First and Third ICPDR Meeting Team of Experts on Hydropower**
(July/October 2012, Vienna, Austria)
- **ICPDR Danube Climate Adaptation Workshop**
(March 2012, Munich, Germany)
- **The 19th Tisza Group meeting**
(October 2012, Vienna, Austria)



Picture: M. Verghet

Possible actions taken by CCIC:

Approval of the revised version of the Tisza River Basin Joint Declaration



4. Sustainable agriculture, rural development and forestry

- **Carpathian Convention Working Group on Sustainable Forest Management**
(April 2012, Donji Milanovac, Serbia)
- **Workshop for the creation and promotion of a Carpathian brand**
(November 2012, Lviv, Ukraine)

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5. Sustainable transport and infrastructure, Industry and energy

- **Carpathian Convention Working Group on Sustainable Industry, Energy, Transport and Infrastructure Meeting** (October 2012, Kosice, Slovakia)

- **SEE Access2Mountain project**



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- **Cross Border Austria – Slovakia Alpine Carpathian Corridor project (AKK) and related Memorandum of Understanding**

Possible actions taken by CCIC:

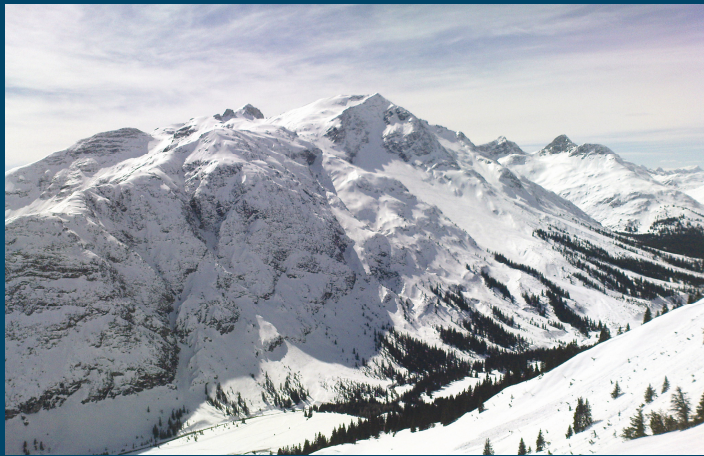
Decision on the proposal of the WG members to prioritize their work related to the elaboration of the Protocol on the topic “Sustainable transport and related infrastructure”

Picture: M. Jopek



5. Sustainable transport and infrastructure, Industry and energy

- **SEE Bioenergy AC** project
- **IEE enerSKI** project



6. Sustainable tourism



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7. Cultural heritage and traditional knowledge

➤ Carpathian Convention Protocol on Cultural Heritage

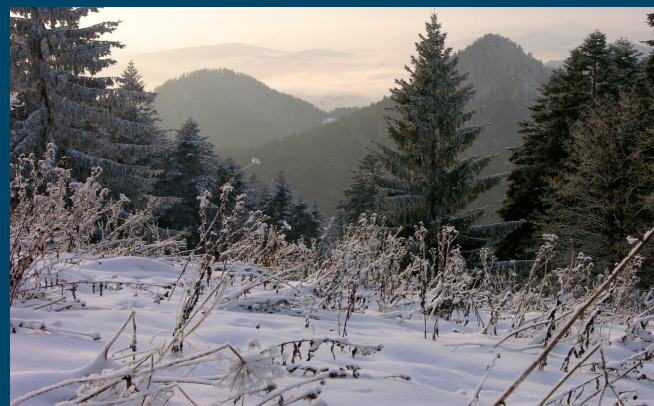


8. Environmental assessment/information system, monitoring and early warning

- Memorandum of Understanding for a Carpathian Integrated Biodiversity Information System
- Cooperation with the European Environment Agency

Possible actions taken by CCIC:

Facilitation of contacts with respective countries EIONET Focal Points on Carpathian Convention related issues



8. Environmental assessment/information system, monitoring and early warning

- **Forum Carpaticum 2012**
(May 2012, Stara Lesna, Slovakia)
- **FP 7 LANDOBE – M** project proposal

Possible actions taken by CCIC:

Promotion of the LANDOBE – M project to the respective countries national FP 7 – Environment National Contact Points



9. Awareness raising, education and public participation

- Partner in the Regional Center of Expertise (RCE) in Education for Sustainable Development (ESD)
- Big Foot project



10. Cooperation with the European Union

- 1st and 2nd meeting of the **EUSDR PA 6 SG**
(June 2011, Munich, Germany / October 2011 Zagreb, Croatia)
- **EUSDR Pillar 2 Annual Stakeholders Seminar**
(November 2012, Budapest, Hungary)



10. Cooperation with the European Union

- Regular contacts with the **European Commission – DG Regional Policy**
- Cooperation with the **European Commission – DG Environment related to CARPIVIA project**

Possible actions taken by CCIC:

- Promotion of the need for a EU macroregional strategy for the Carpathian region “bridging” the EU Danube and Baltic Strategies and “completing” the Danube Strategy with those priority actions for the Carpathians that are not included in the already existing Strategies
- Promotion of the participation of Poland in the future European Territorial Cooperation Programme for South East Europe (possible Danube Programme) in order to include all the Carpathian countries in the Programme



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- Note on the possible **accession of the EU to the Carpathian Convention** at the EU Environment Council meeting on 19 December 2011



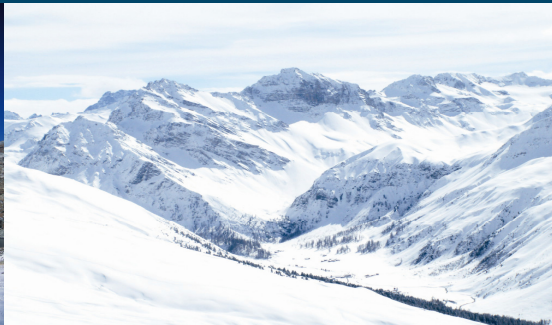
11. Cooperation with the Alpine Convention

- The 2nd and 3rd editions of the **International exchange meeting on ecological networks between the Alps and the Carpathians** (June 2011 Făgăras mountains - Sibiu, Romania/ May 2012 Vienna, Austria)
- **European Commission Working Group on Green Infrastructure** (September 2012, Brussels, Belgium)
- **XIIIth Alpine Conference** (September 2012, Poschiavo, Switzerland)
- **The Article “Sustainable mountains – the Alps and the UN”**



12. Cooperation with other conventions and international bodies

- **Rio+20 Conference outcome “The Future We Want”**
- **Mountain Pavilion** and related Side Events
- **“Policy Brief on Central, Eastern and South Eastern Europe”** and the **“Report on Sustainable Mountain Development in Central, Eastern and South Eastern Europe, From Rio to Rio + 20 and beyond”** related to Rio+20

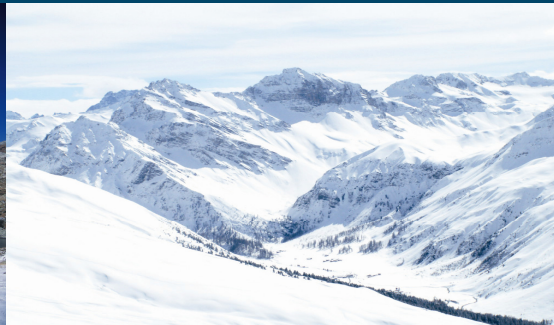


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- **Third Global Meeting of the Mountain Partnership**
(June 2012, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil)

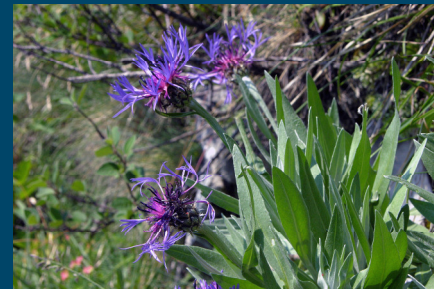
Possible actions taken by CCIC:

To request the Secretariat, in cooperation with the Presidency, to address a letter to the MP Central Hub at FAO in Rome, expressing concerns regarding the idea of membership fees, emphasizing the need for a transparent process of developing the new MP Strategy, and requesting the strengthen of the CEE Hub of the MP



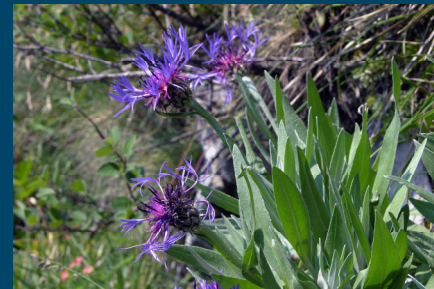
15. Climate change

- First and second **Meeting of the Carpathian Convention Working Group on Adaptation to Climate Change** (February 2012, Brussels, Belgium / October 2012, Eger, Hungary)
- **Workshop on sharing of experiences on adaptation to climate change in mountain areas** (October 2012, Eger, Hungary)



15. Climate change

- Alpine Space “ALPSTAR – Towards carbon neutral Alps” project
- Alpine Space “C3ALPS-Capitalising climate change knowledge” project





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