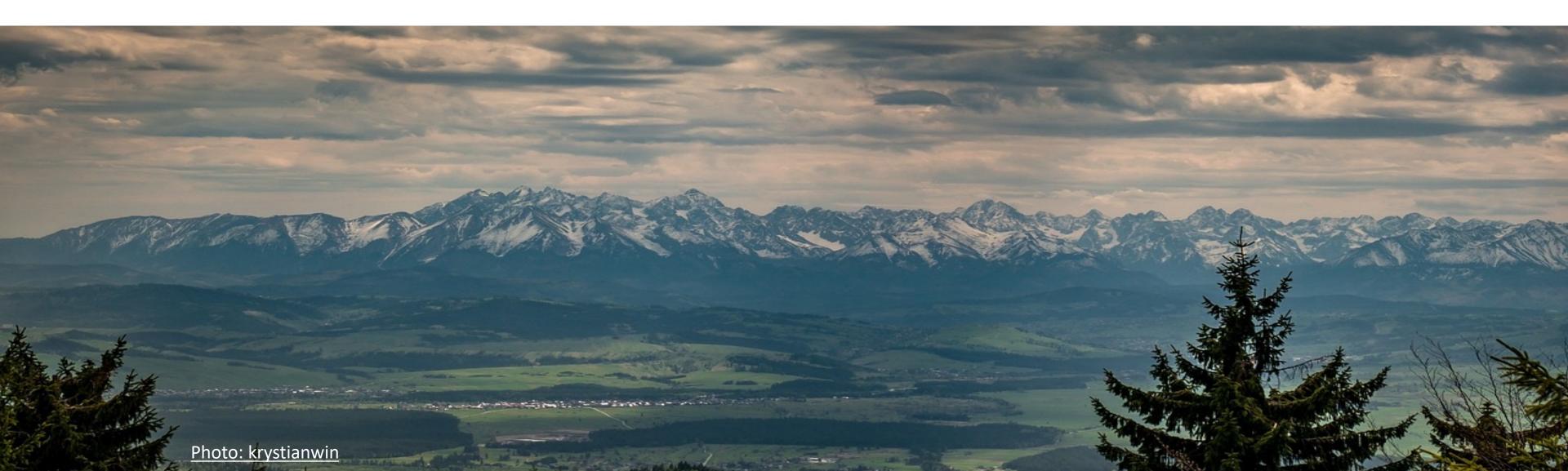


14-16 June 2023, Mszana Dolna

Progress Report – WG Biodiversity WG Biodiversity Chair, Ms. Eliška Rolfová, Czech Republic



14th Carpathian Convention Implementation Committee Meeting



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WG Biodiversity meetings

19–20 May 2021, virtual; 11–12 April 2022, virtual; 22–24 May 2023, Vsetín, Czech Republic

Implementing the Work Plan 2021–2023:

- International Action Plan on Conservation of Large Carnivores and Ensuring Ecological Connectivity
- Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework
- Cooperation (with CNPA, CWI, S4C, EU, Alpine Convention and others; to be addressed under respective presentations)





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Implementing the International Action Plan on Conservation of Large Carnivores and Ensuring Ecological Connectivity

- Priority actions: harmonisation of monitoring, wildlife crime, ecological connectivity
- <u>Report on population status of large carnivores and monitoring</u> <u>methods in the Carpathians</u> (CIC/BOKU, 2021)
- Project LECA Supporting the coexistence and conservation of Carpathian large carnivores: Interreg Central Europe; 12 partners from 6 countries (5 CC Parties); objective: to harmonise international monitoring of large carnivores, prevent humanwildlife conflicts and poaching





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Other projects supporting the WG Biodiversity work

- **ConnectGREEN**: Restoring and managing ecological corridors in mountains as the green infrastructure in the Danube basin (2018–2021)
 - Guidelines for the Identification, Conservation, Restoration, and Management of Ecological Corridors in the Carpathian Ecoregion
 - Methodology for identification of ecological corridors in the Carpathian countries using large carnivores as umbrella species – final document
 - Guidelines on How to Use Spatial Planning Tools in Integrative Management of Ecological Corridors
- **SaveGREEN:** Safeguarding the functionality of transnationally important ecological corridors in the Danube basin Methodology on Monitoring structural and functional ecological connectivity (2020–2022) Local cross-sectoral operational plans, CCIBIS, Capacity building program & training Joint Declaration on Achieving functional biodiversity in the Danube-Carpathian Region by mainstreaming ecological connectivity, endorsed by the Carpathian Convention, ICPDR, and EUSDR



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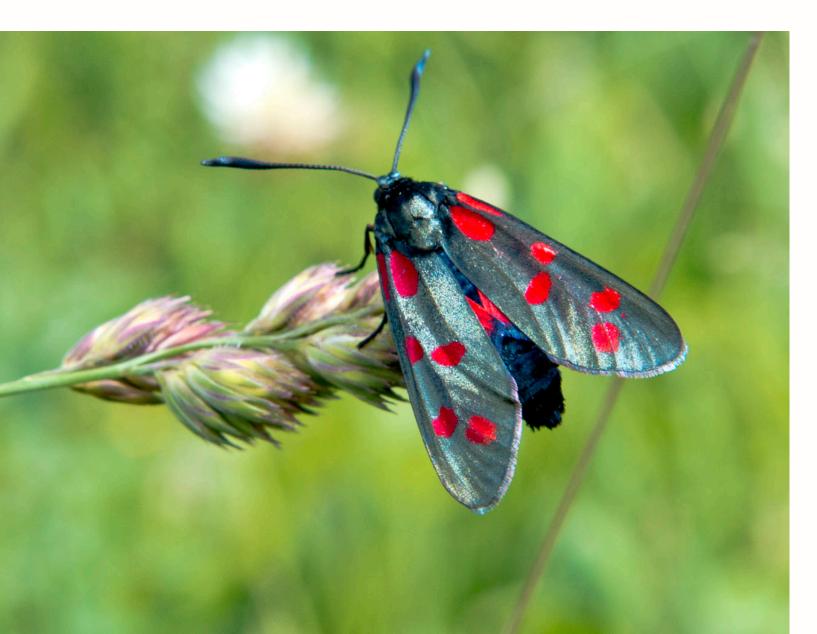
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- Centralparks (Interreg CE Programme; 2019–2022; close link to CNPA)
 - Carpathian strategy for enhancing biodiversity and landscape conservation outside and inside protected areas
 - Strategy for local sustainable tourism development based on the natural and cultural heritage of the Carpathians
 - Guidelines on communication between protected areas and local communities in the Carpathian – full document
 - Centralparks: Carpathian Ecosystem Services Tool
- > NaturaConnect: Designing a resilient and coherent Trans-European Network for Nature and People (Horizon Europe; 2022–2026; contributing to the implementation of the EU Biodiversity Strategy, with focus on connectivity; Carpathians as a case study)



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- biodiversity
- **Carpathian Vision 2050**
- biodiversity (30 March 2023)

> SCC actively involved in the process, promoting the Carpathian Convention and the importance of mountain

Renewed **Memorandum of Cooperation** (MoC) between the CBD, Alpine Convention and the Carpathian Convention

Ministerial Declaration of the Carpathian Convention on Carpathian Commitments for the implementation of the new global biodiversity framework \rightarrow development of the **Carpathian Biodiversity Framework** and the accompanying

Exchange between CC and CBD NFP on their update of NBSAPs, including on reflection of the CC and mountain