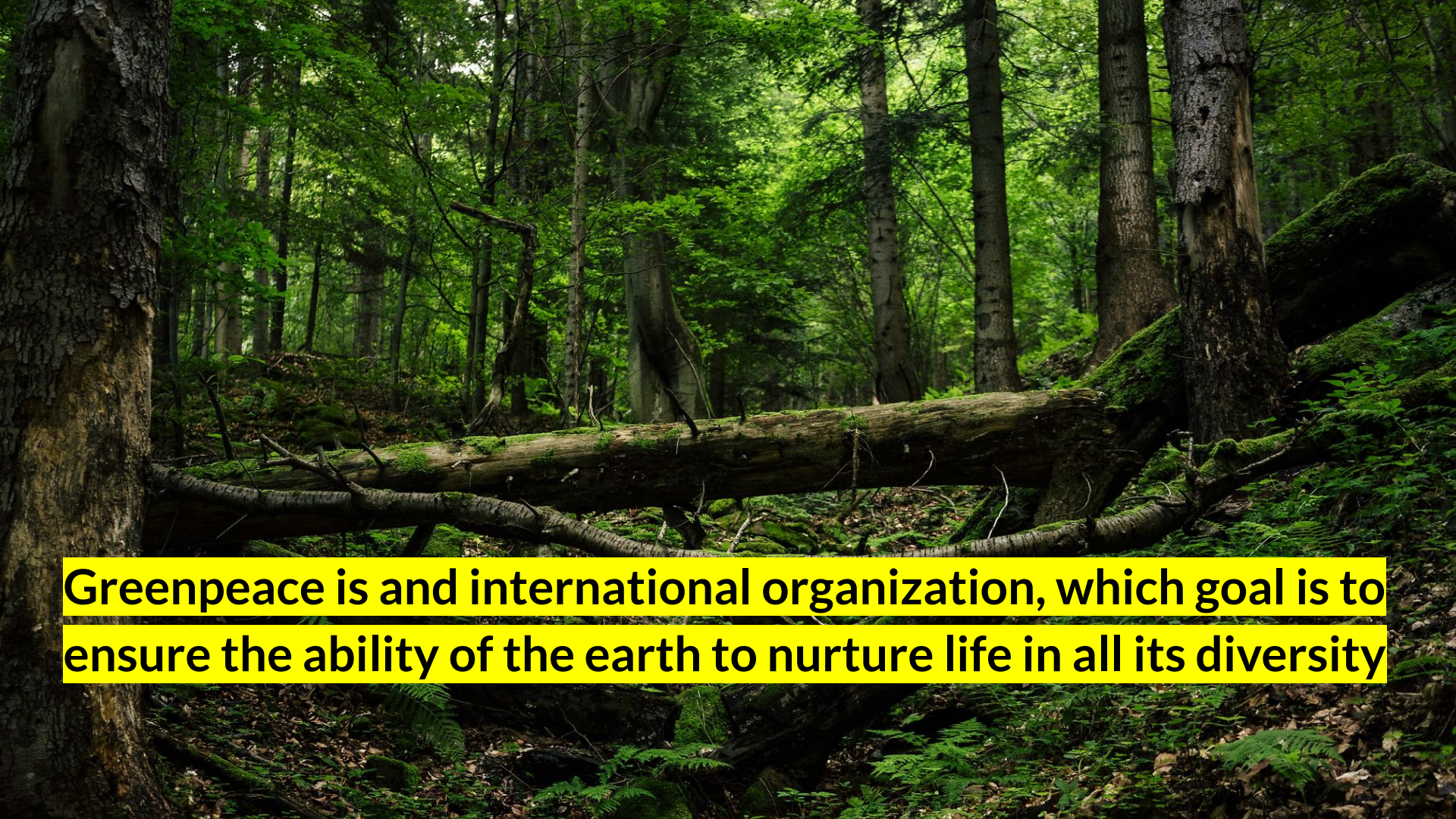


Expedition throughout the Carpathian mountains

showcasing the value of the Carpathian ecosystem and its remarkable biodiversity for Europe

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Greenpeace is an international organization, whose goal is to ensure the ability of the earth to nurture life in all its diversity

A large, moss-covered tree trunk in a dense forest. The tree trunk is thick and covered in green moss, with a hollowed-out section at the base. The forest is lush with green foliage and sunlight filtering through the trees.

The native flora among the richest in EU

One of the last large patches of virgin and old-growth forests in Europe

Ecological corridors of continental relevance

Carbon storage and climate change mitigation

The largest population of big carnivores in Europe (excluding RU)

Greenpeace report:

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FOOTBALL PITCHES

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FOREST AREA



On average a forest area of more than
five football pitches is **lost to wood extraction**
every single hour.

Greenpeace Carpathian expedition:

5 countries, 40 days, 30 members, most iconic part of the Carpathian Mountains



Romania. Domogled-Cerna Valey

Protected area. Rich biodiversity and carbon sink



Ukraine. Ivano-Frankivsk region
12k ha of virgin forests secured



Hungary. Mátra, North Hungarian Mountains

Biodiversity, water protection, social value



Slovakia. Tichá & Kôprová valley

Great rewilding project in a non-intervention zone



Poland. Gorce Mountains

Lynx and capercaillies habitat

**Save the
Carpathian
forests!**
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Romania. Făgăraș Mountains

Massive clear-cuts. Restoration problems

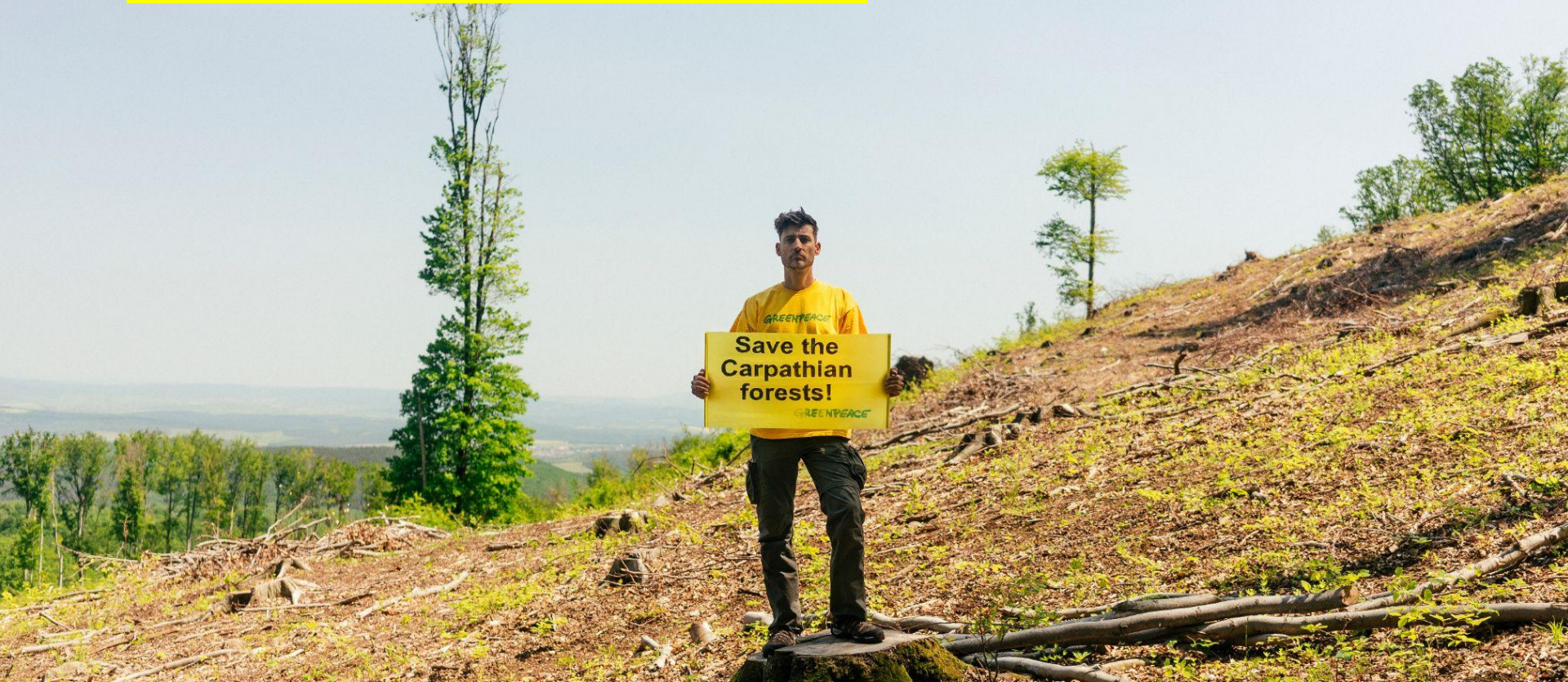


Ukraine. Ivano-Frankivsk region

Old-growth forests under pressure from Western companies



Hungary. Mátra, North Hungarian Mountains
Cleared hillsides in a national park/Natura 2000



Slovakia. Demänovská valley

Mega-hotels. Nature is not a construction site

**PRÍRODA NIE JE
STAVENISKO**

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Poland. Przemyśl foothills

Huge density of forestry roads disrupting natural processes



**Nature overexploitation/destruction
is not in favour of local communities**




**We support the Convention's commitment to invite the EU as a party
To fulfil its promises regarding Biodiversity conservation and nature restoration
the EC needs legally binding ambitious targets and funding
for implementing them in areas like the Carpathians**



**97 % KARPÁT
V OHROZENÍ**

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The EU Biodiversity Strategy for 2030 and NRL: great opportunity for our region
The CC parties could be EU champions in adopting and implementing these policies
in favor of local communities, economies and nature

**Defining the most effective financial mechanisms and funding schemes
to enhance nature protection in the Carpathians**



**NEW DEAL
FOR NATURE**

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The crossroads





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Pictures from our expedition - just next to the hotel