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 **Monitoring of the BBA Lynx population within
3Lynx project**

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- Ministry of the Environment of the Czech Republic

Project Partners

Czech Republic

- Nature Conservation Agency of the Czech Republic
- ALKA Wildlife o.p.s.
- Šumava National Park

Austria

- Research Institute of Wildlife Ecology, University of Veterinary Medicine, Vienna
- Green Heart of Europe
- Government of Upper Austria

Germany

- Bavarian Environmental Agency
- World Wide Fund for Nature
Germany

Slovenia

- Slovenia Forest Service

Italy

- Italian Lynx Project



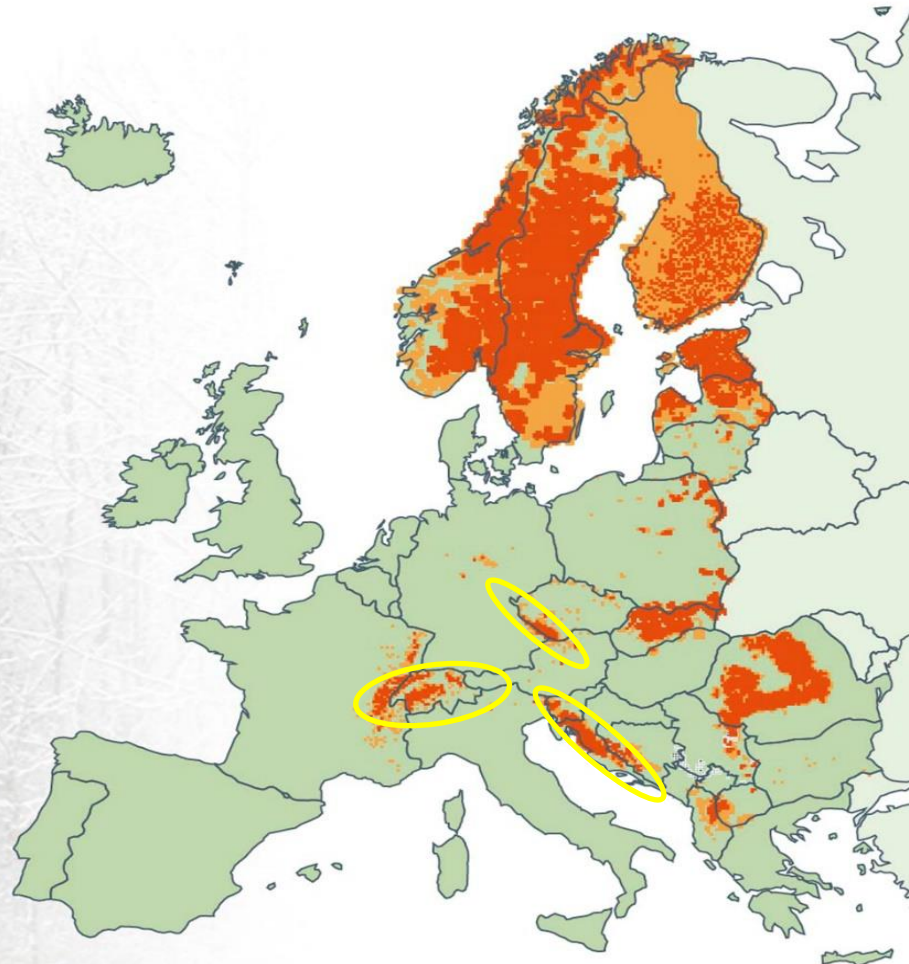
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Main goal

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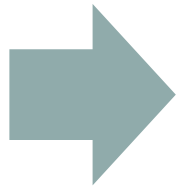
Schedule

- Lynx monitoring (2017) 2018 - 2020
- Workshop on software tools for data sharing and analysis
- Transnational data sharing procedures (BBA)
- International Lynx day - each year 11.5.
- Conference on Lynx conservation working routines - Linz 3/2020
- Conference about Lynx protection and cooperation with stakeholders - Prague 5/2020
- MoU for BBA population - 4/2020

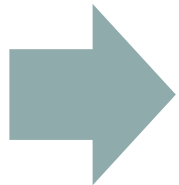


WHY LYNX MONITORING?

Monitoring data are the base for decisions on the preservation and management of the species



Good management needs good data



Improvement of data quality:
precise, reliable, verified data

Goal: Transnational Lynx Conservation Strategy on population level

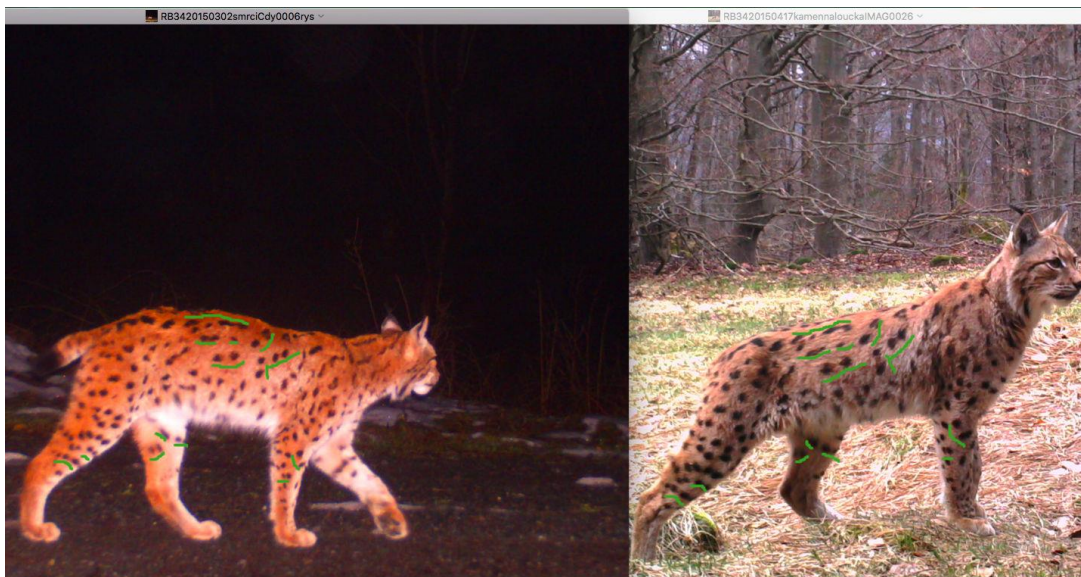


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Implementation of monitoring

1.1.2018 - 30.6.2020

BBA PILOT LYNX MONITORING IMPLEMENTATION PLAN WAS SIGNED BY ALL PARTNERS



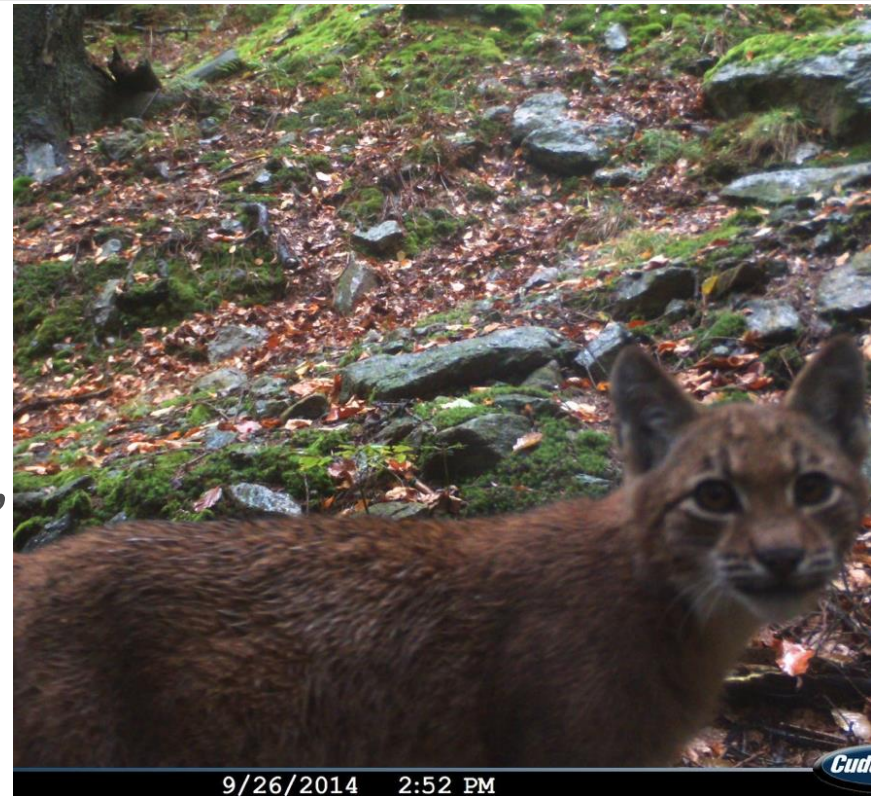
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Methods

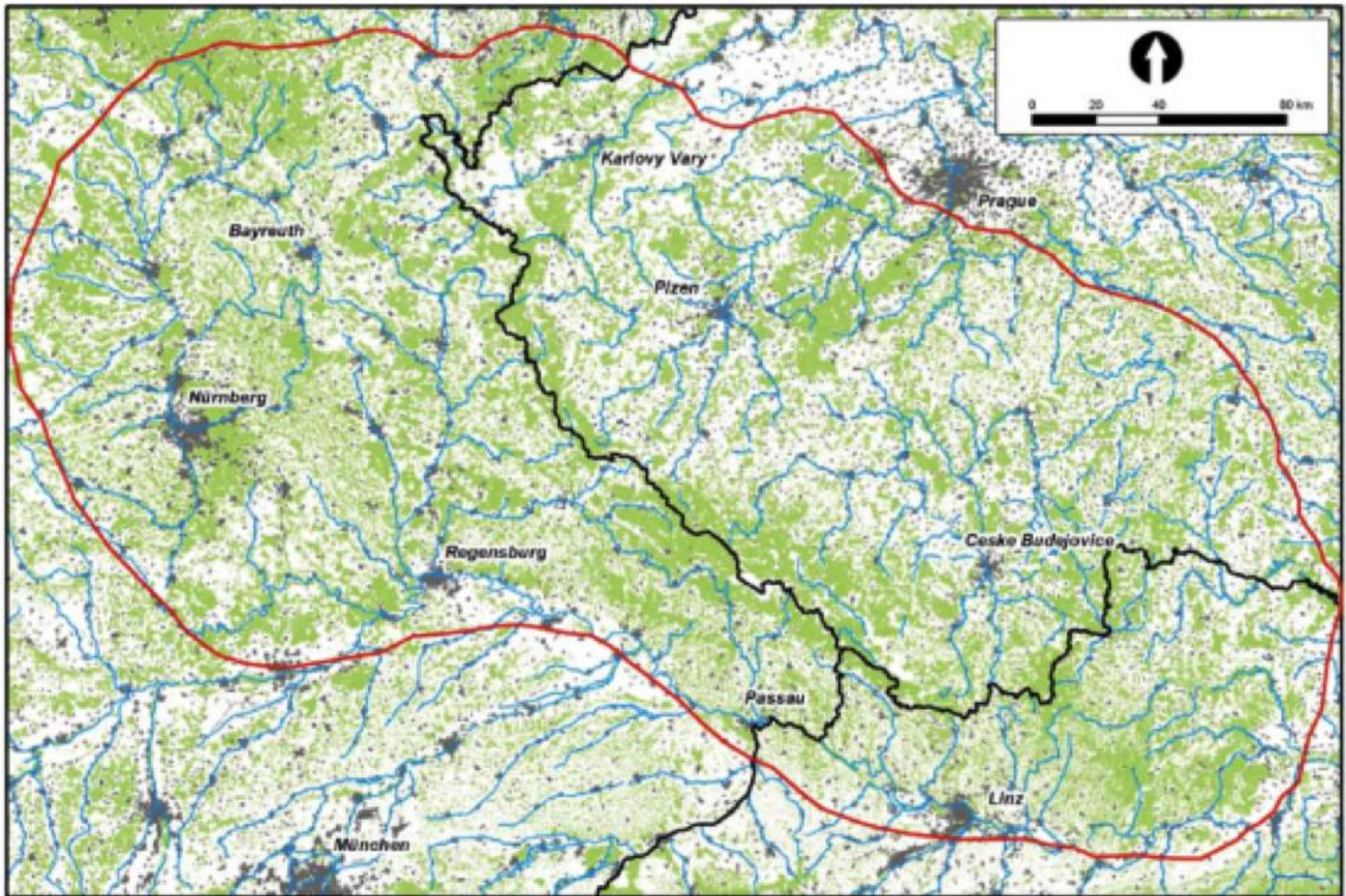
- Camera trapping
- Snow tracking
- Genetic monitoring
- Collection of observational/chance data (dead animals, kills, tracks, scat, hairs)

Data analysis

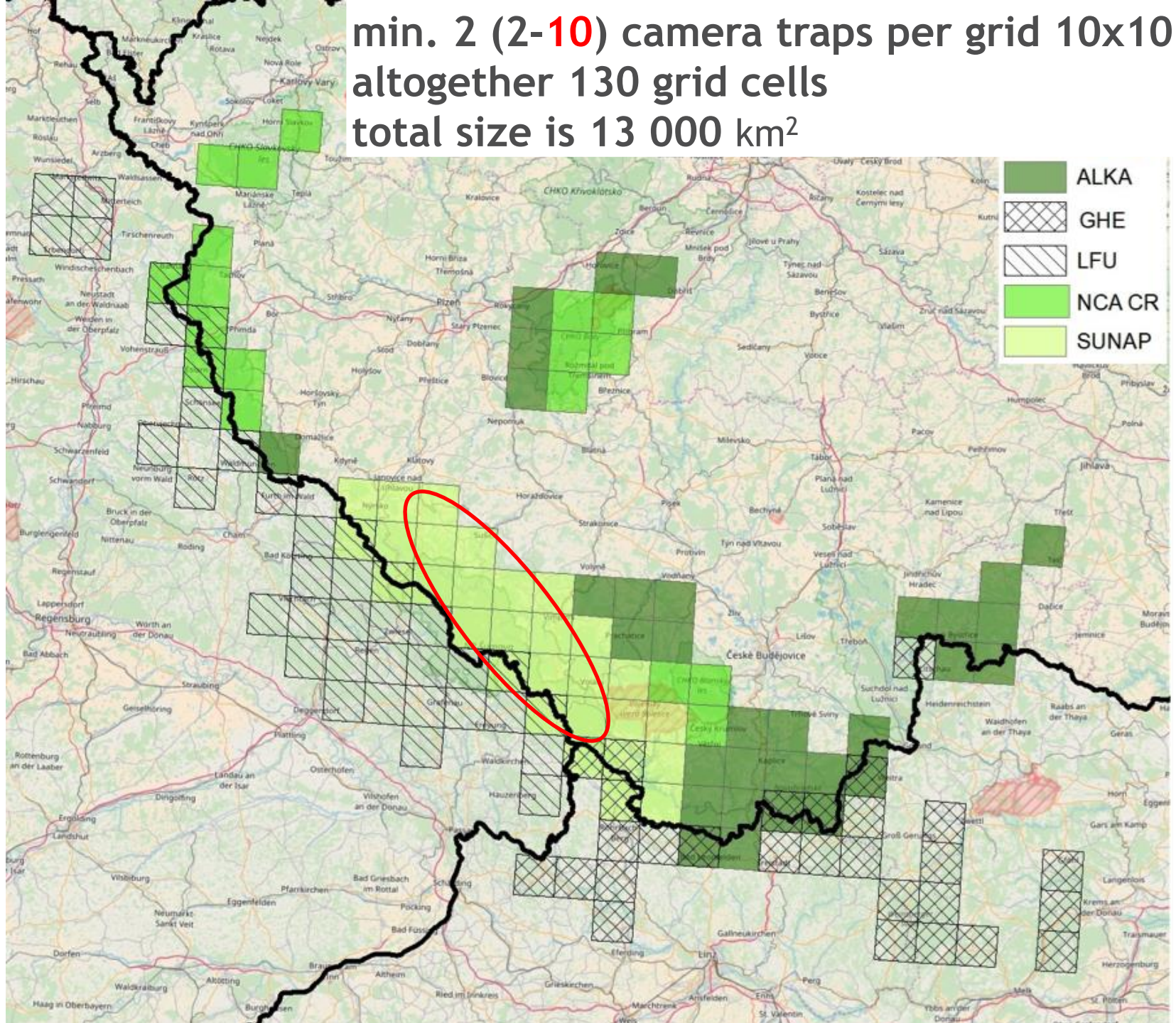
- Lynx year (1. May to 30. April)
- SCALP data classification
- C1 hard data (dead lynx, photo, DNA sample)
- C2 objective confirmed data (kills, tracks)
- C3 unconfirmed/undocumented data



MONITORED AREA OF THE BBA POPULATION KEY LYNX HABITATS ARE MONITORED



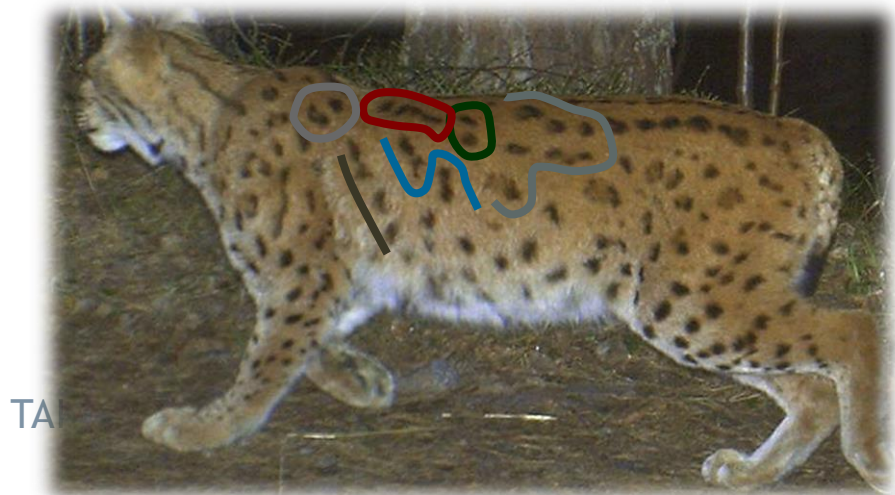
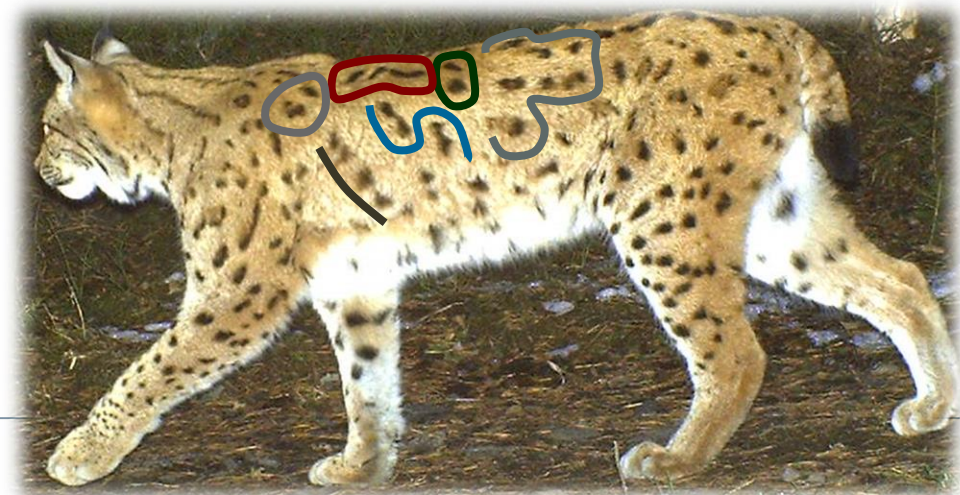
min. 2 (2-10) camera traps per grid 10x10 km
altogether 130 grid cells
total size is 13 000 km²



CAMERA TRAP MONITORING

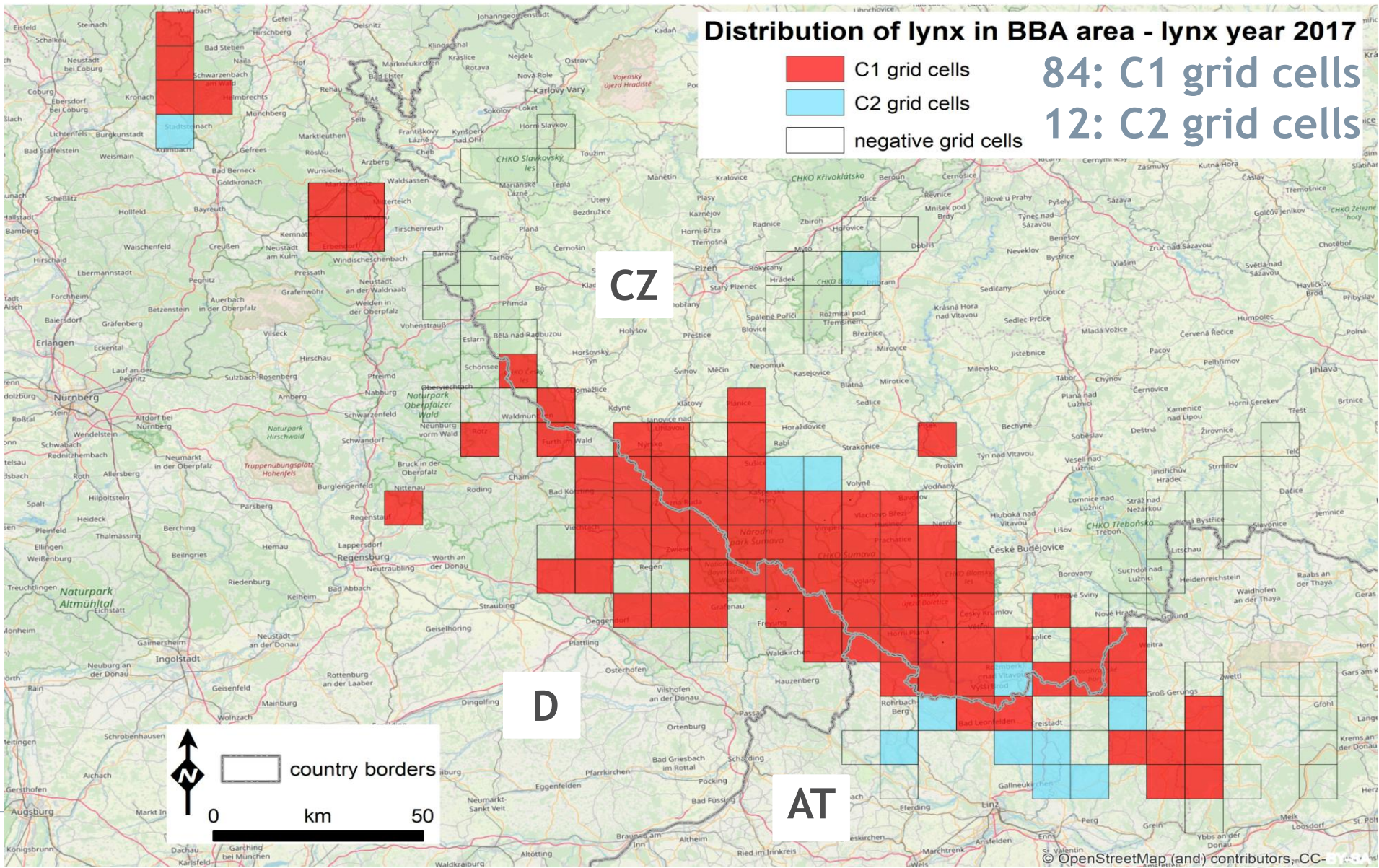
Lynx individuals can be identified by coat pattern.

Camera traps with a white flash are suitable method for studying population dynamics in space and time (© Elisa Belotti).

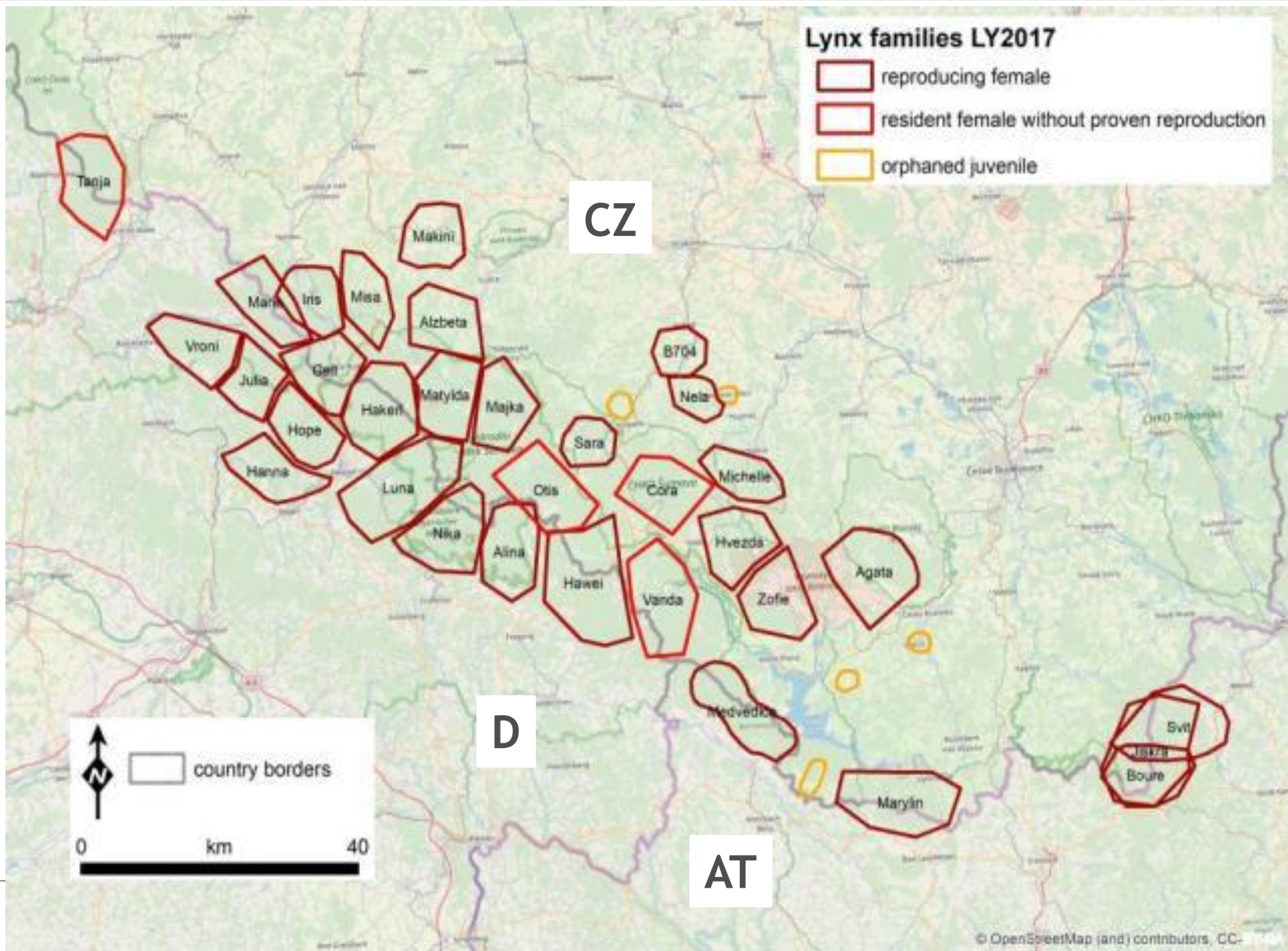


3 LYNX MONITORING RESULTS

LYNX YEAR 2017



MINIMALLY 32 FAMILIES AND 62 JUVENILES WERE RECORDED IN THE BBA AREA BASED ON C1 DATA



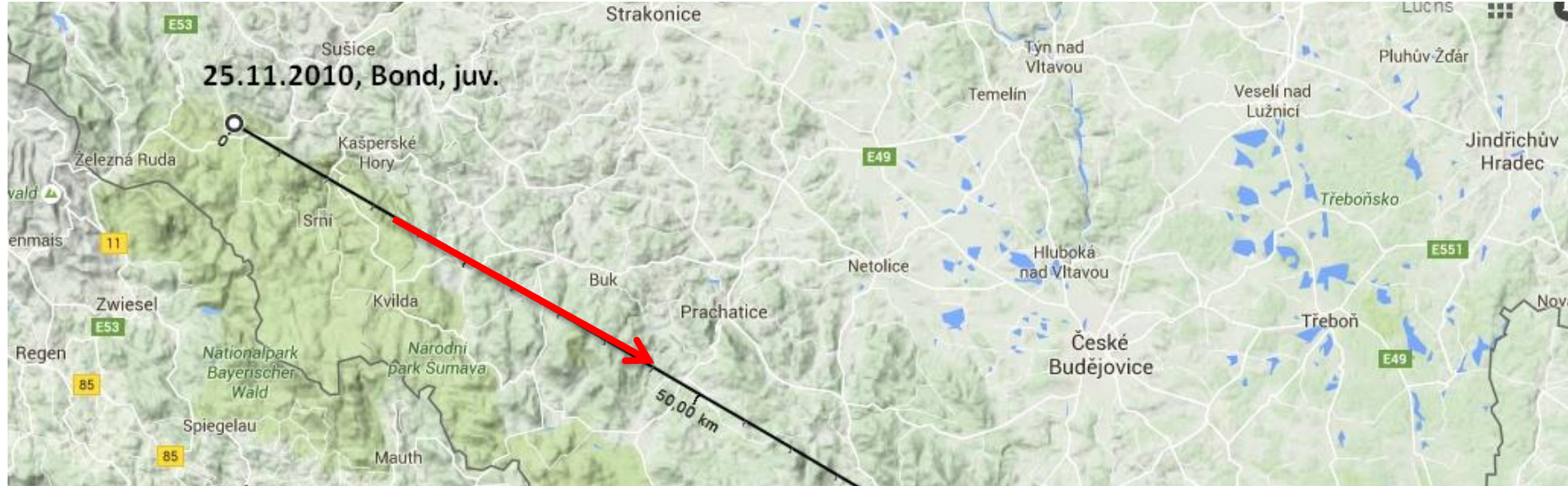
MONITORING RESULT: LYNX YEAR 2017

The Pilot Lynx Monitoring System of the 3Lynx Project, launched in the Bohemian-Bavarian-Austrian lynx population area, covered the historically largest range of lynx habitats with camera traps.

The first year of implementation of this large-scale monitoring resulted in the highest numbers of independent lynx, juveniles and families ever recorded in the area.

Altogether **108 independent animals and 32 families** were recorded in the 13 000 km² monitored area.

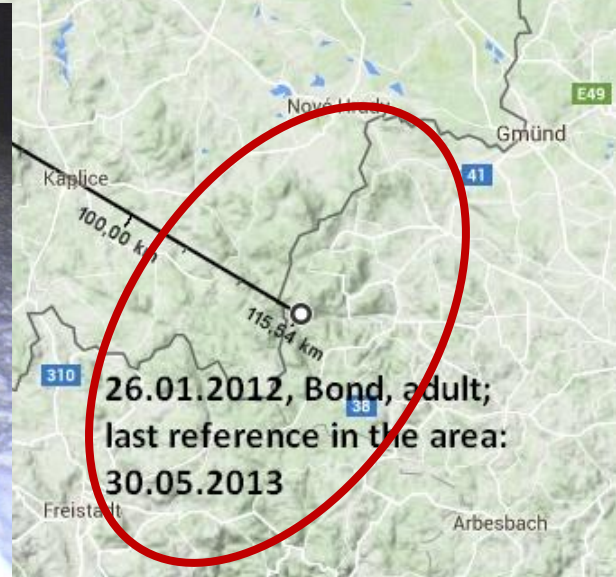
Migration and confirmation of cub survival thanks to the tranboundary cooperation: Lynx "Bond"



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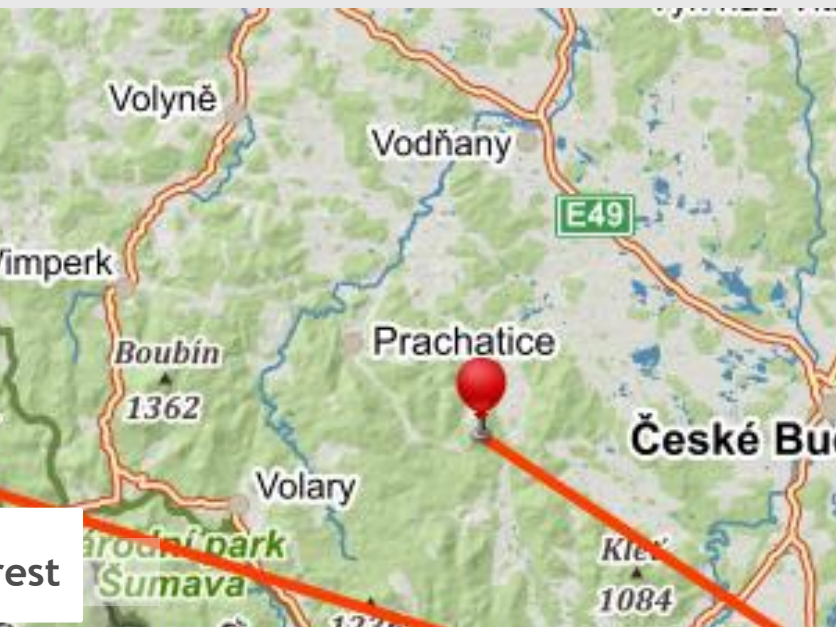
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26.01.2012, Bond, adult; last reference in the area: 30.05.2013

Migration and confirmation of cub survival thanks to the tranboundary cooperation: Lynx "Jan"

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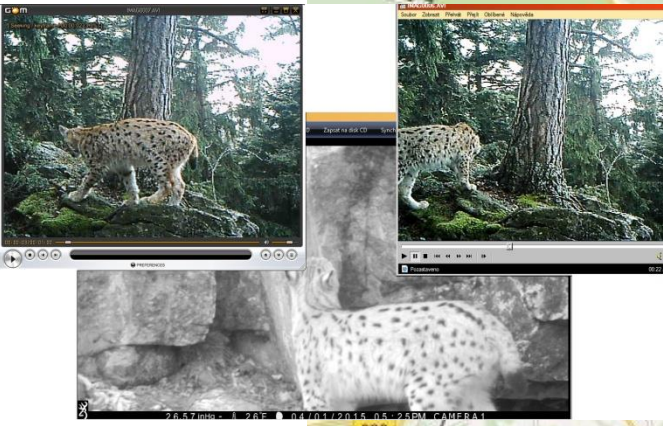
Born 2014 in NP Bavarian forest



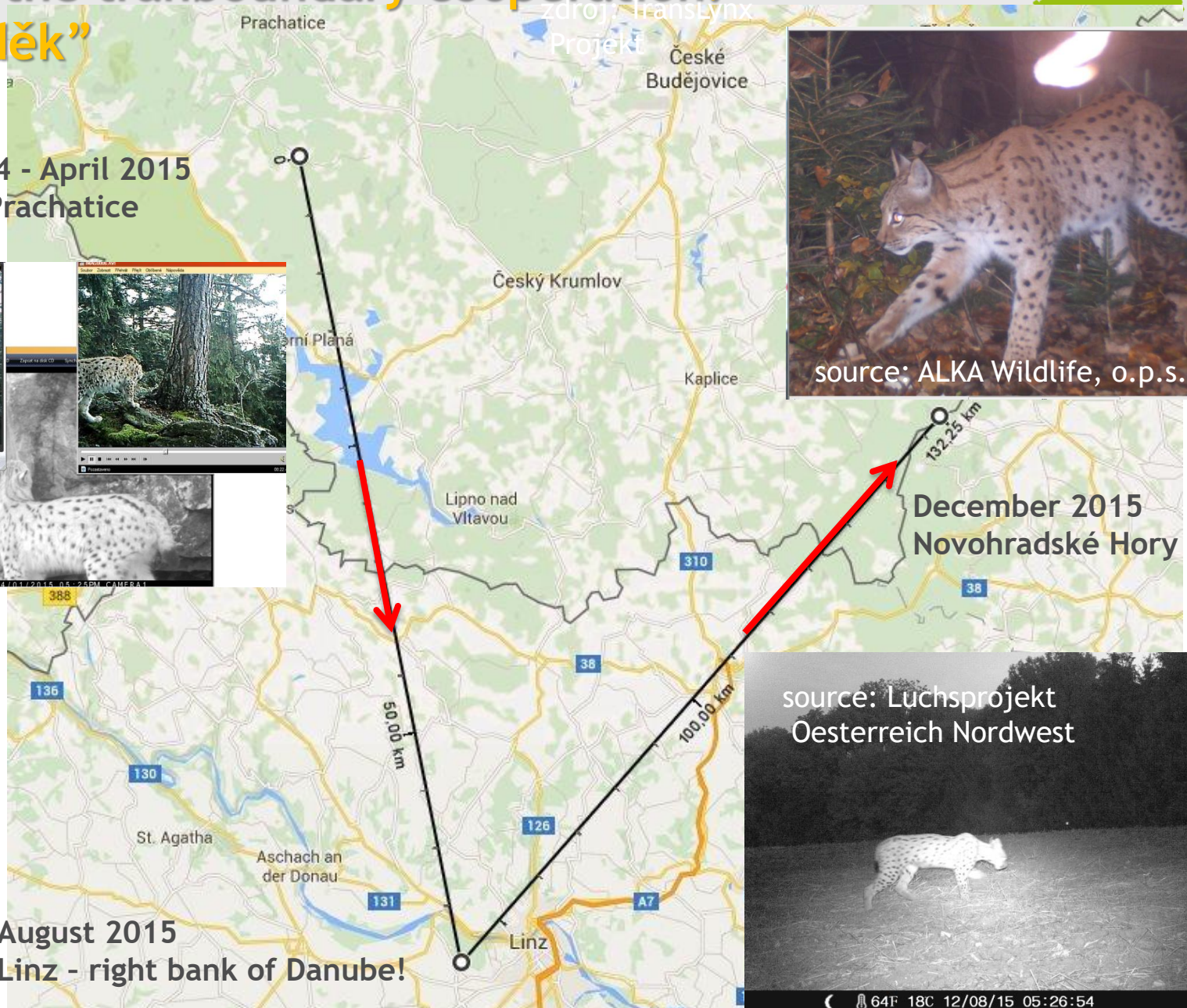
autumn 2015 - summer 2016 Novohradské Hory - Freiwald

Migration and confirmation of cub survival thanks to the tranboundary cooperation: Lynx "Luděk"

December 2014 - April 2015
PLA Šumava - Prachatice



source:
NP Šumava +
NCA CZ +
Friends of the
Earth



source: ALKA Wildlife, o.p.s.

December 2015
Novohradské Hory



source: Luchsprojekt
Oesterreich Nordwest

August 2015
Linz - right bank of Danube!



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION





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