The Carpathian Convention - SaveGREEN Collaboration

Update

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Recall COP6 Decisions

• Decision COP6/14 para 4

55.1) Project implementation supported, especially in regard to support for mainstreaming of ecological connectivity into EU and global policies through cooperation among macro-regional strategies and other processes, and strengthening of cross-sectoral cooperation among key players, promotion of project results in the Danube-Carpathian basin and beyond, and capacity building at the national level

• Decision COP6/17 para 2

Related to the further development of the CCIBIS
Current activities

• Guidelines for monitoring structural and functional connectivity & application toolbox nearly completed
• Monitoring plans in preparation
• Stakeholders in the 8 pilot areas identified and partly contacted
• Content of cross-sectoral operational plans agreed on, objectives identified for all pilot areas
• Capacity-building programme – outline and content drafted
Policy related activities

Proposal of Green Infrastructure funding measure

Compiled in winter 2020/21, recommendations disseminated to EU Commission and Parliament, and national authorities including Parties of the Carpathian Convention
Joint high-level political declaration

Topic

• Maintaining and restoring ecological connectivity.
• Need for transnational and cross-sectoral cooperation.

Overall goal

• To develop and commit to a coordinated cross-border and cross-sector approach for spatial planning and nature conservation in the region.
• To present the Declaration in a workshop held at the EUSDR Annual Forum in autumn 2022.
Dialogue with standardization bodies will be established. Recommendations regarding future standardization elaborated.

Standards can help to measure and assess the state of biodiversity but also the impact of practices (business) on biodiversity.

**Standards and Standardization bodies**

- **CEN** – the European Committee for Standardization
- **SABE** is the strategic advisory body on environment to the CEN Technical Boards (BTs)
- **ISO** – the International Organisation for Standardization
Looking forward to collaborate!

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