

FINAL AGENDA

13th Meeting of the Carpathian Convention Working Group on Biodiversity 11–12 April 2022, ONLINE MEETING

13:30–16:30 11 April 2022	
13:30–14:00	<p>Session I – Introduction</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Opening of the WG Biodiversity meeting and welcome remarks by the Polish Presidency Introductory remarks by the WG Biodiversity Chair Adoption of the Agenda Review of progress in the implementation of the WG Biodiversity Work Plan 2021–2023
14:00–15:00	<p>Session II – Large carnivores and ecological connectivity</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <p>Presentation of projects relevant for the implementation of the Action Plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ConnectGREEN¹ under Interreg Danube Transnational Programme – final outputs relevant for WG Biodiversity - Cristian Remus Papp, WWF RO SWiPE – Successful Wildlife Crime Prosecution in Europe under the EU LIFE Programme – project updates – Cristian Remus Papp, WWF RO SaveGREEN² under Interreg Danube Transnational Programme – project updates – Christophe Janz, WWF CEE LECA – Supporting the coexistence and conservation of Carpathian Large Carnivores under Interreg Central Europe Programme – project proposal presentation - Miroslav Kutal and Martin Dula -Mendel University in Brno NaturaConnect: Designing a resilient and coherent Trans-European Network for Nature and People under the Horizon Europe – project presentations – Irene Lucius, WWF CEE
15:00–15:10	<p>Virtual coffee break</p>
15:10–15:45	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <p>Stocktaking on the implementation of the International Action Plan on Conservation of Large Carnivores and Ensuring Ecological Connectivity³</p> <p>Short presentation of the steps taken to implement the International Action Plan, followed by discussion on possible next steps – WG Biodiversity Chair</p>
15:45–16:15	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <p>Cooperation with the EUSDR PA6 with focus on ecological connectivity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updates from the EUSDR PA6 with a focus on ecological connectivity – Florian Ballnus, EUSDR PA6 Coordinator Introduction of the Joint Declaration on mainstreaming of ecological connectivity – Irene Lucius, WWF CEE
16:15–16:30	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Conclusions of the Session II END of the DAY 1

¹ <http://www.interreg-danube.eu/approved-projects/connectgreen>

² <http://www.interreg-danube.eu/approved-projects/savegreen>

³ [Link to the International Action Plan on Conservation of Large Carnivores and Ensuring Ecological Connectivity adopted at the Carpathian Convention COP6](#)

9:30–12:30 DAY 2 – 12 April 2022	
9:30–10:40	<p>Session III – Cooperation with other organizations and bodies</p> <p>10. Updates on CWI activities by the CWI Coordinator – Jan Kadelcik, CWI Coordinator</p> <p>11. Carpathian Network of Protected Areas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Updates on CNPA activities, including on the 3rd CNPA Conference - Mircea Vergholet, the CNPA SC Chair ➤ Centralparks project under Interreg Central Europe – presentation of the main project outputs – Isidoro De Bortoli, Eurac Research <p>12. Science for the Carpathians:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Report from the Forum Carpaticum 2021 and relevant session for the WG Biodiversity ➤ Presentation of S4C recommendations relevant for the WG Biodiversity ➤ Short presentation of the draft S4C Research Agenda <p>13. Carpathian Research Network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Presentation ➤ Invitation to Interdisciplinary Symposium devoted to the Biogeography of the Carpathians (09/22, CZ)
10:40–10:50	Virtual coffee break
10:50–12:10	<p>14. Post – 2020 global biodiversity framework</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Update on the process – WG Biodiversity Chair ➤ Trilateral Memorandum of Cooperation between the CBD, the Alpine Convention and the Carpathian Convention – updates by the Secretariat, followed by discussion ➤ Presentation on ongoing cooperation with European Environment Agency – the Secretariat ➤ Carpathian Commitments for the Post-2020 global biodiversity framework process – discussion – WG Biodiversity Chair <p>15. UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration – updates by the Secretariat</p> <p>16. Alpine Convention and its Alpine Biodiversity Board – updates on cooperation activities – Paolo Angelini, Italian Ministry for the Ecological Transition, Chair of the Alpine Biodiversity Board</p>
12:10–12:30	<p>17. AOB</p> <p>18. Conclusions, next steps and closing of the meeting</p>