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The Carpathian Convention



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TRANSGREEN

- A framework Convention for cooperation and multi-sectoral policy coordination
- Adopted on 22nd May 2003
- Entered in force on 4th January 2006
- Ratified by all the seven Carpathian countries (Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Ukraine)
- A platform for joint strategies for sustainable development
- A forum for dialogue between all stakeholders involved

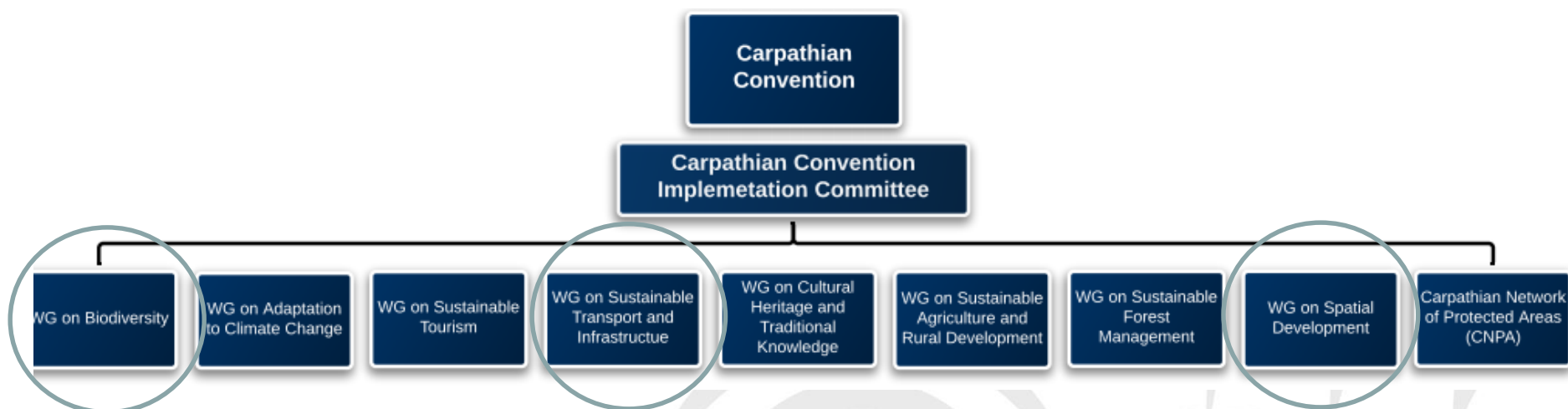


Goal: Environmental Protection
and Sustainable Development
of the Carpathian Region

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CC Structure and Protocols



- Protocol on *Conservation and Sustainable Use of Biological and Landscape Diversity*
- Protocol on Sustainable Tourism
- Protocol on Sustainable Forest Management
- Protocol on **Sustainable Transport**
- Protocol on Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development

CC & TRANSGREEN: Capitalisation of Previous Projects and Activities

- Carpathian Project
- EU SEE BIOREGIO Carpathians Project
- Carpathian Network of Protected Areas (CNPA)
- EU SEE Access2Mountain Project
- Alpine-Carpathian Corridor Project
- Technical Assistance Facility for Danube Region Projects (TAF-DRP)



Protocol on Sustainable Transport to the Framework Convention on the Protection and Sustainable Development of the Carpathians

- Based on Articles 8 “Sustainable Transport and infrastructure” of the Carpathian Convention
- Adopted at the 4th Conference of the Parties in Mikulov, Czech Republic, September 2014
- Ratified by Poland, Slovakia, Ukraine



Decision Fifth Conference of the Parties (COP5)

Decisions of the Fifth Conference of the Parties, especially **Decision COP5/9 para 2.** recommends:

“the Working Group on Sustainable Transport, Infrastructure, Industry and Energy (hereinafter WG Transport) with **support of the TRANSGREEN project, to develop a Strategic Action Plan for fostering the implementation of the Transport Protocol**, invites other Working Groups and relevant stakeholders to support the process”.

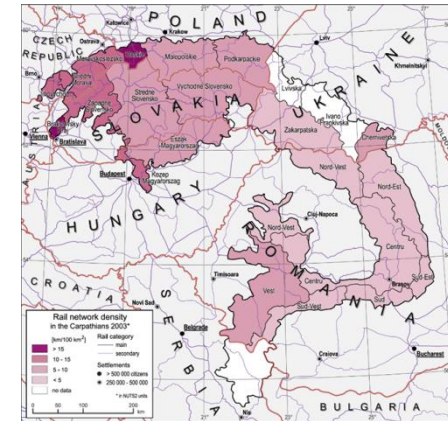


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Objectives, Geographical Scope and Definitions

• General objectives and principles

“(...) is to enhance and facilitate cooperation of the Parties for the **development of sustainable freight and passenger transport and related infrastructure in the Carpathians** for the benefit of present and future generations with the objective to contribute to the sustainable development of the region while **avoiding, minimizing and, where necessary, mitigating and compensating negative environmental and socio-economic impacts of transport and related infrastructure development.**(...)”



Fields of cooperation:

- a) **policies of sustainable transport and related infrastructure planning and development**, which take into account the specificities of the **mountain** environment;
- b) **development of sustainable multi-modal transport policies**, which provide the socio-economic benefits of mobility and access to urban, rural, remote areas and tourist destinations in the Carpathians;
- c) reducing negative impacts on **human health** and improvement of **transportation safety**;
- d) **avoiding fragmentation of natural and semi-natural habitats** caused by all transport modes and related infrastructure, as well as maintenance and improvement of **ecological connectivity** on the local, national and regional level;

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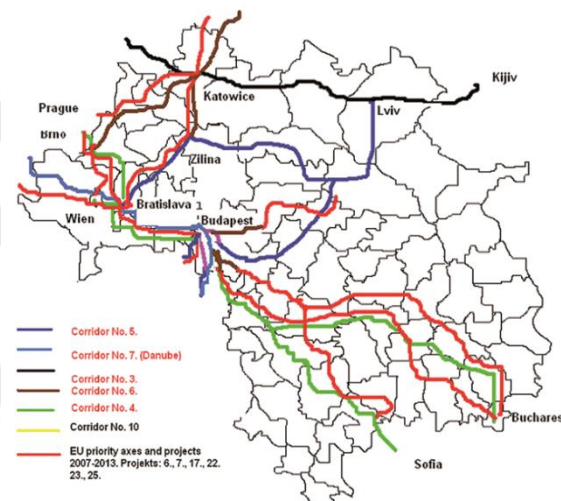
- e) development and promotion of **environmentally friendly transport models and systems**, in particular, in **environmentally sensitive areas**;
- f) **incorporating sustainable transport planning and traffic management in the Carpathians, avoiding overload of transit capacities** across the Carpathians where possible;
- g) assuring **infrastructural functionality of the transport network**;
- h) improvement or maintenance of **transport infrastructure** in terms of **efficiency, safety**, security passenger and freight mobility and emissions of greenhouse gases.

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Specific measures:

- General transport - policies and strategies
- Transport Infrastructure networks and their connectivity
- Road transport
- Rail transport
- Water transport
- Air transport
- Non-motorized transportation
- Traffic Management Systems
- Safety standards
- Real Costs

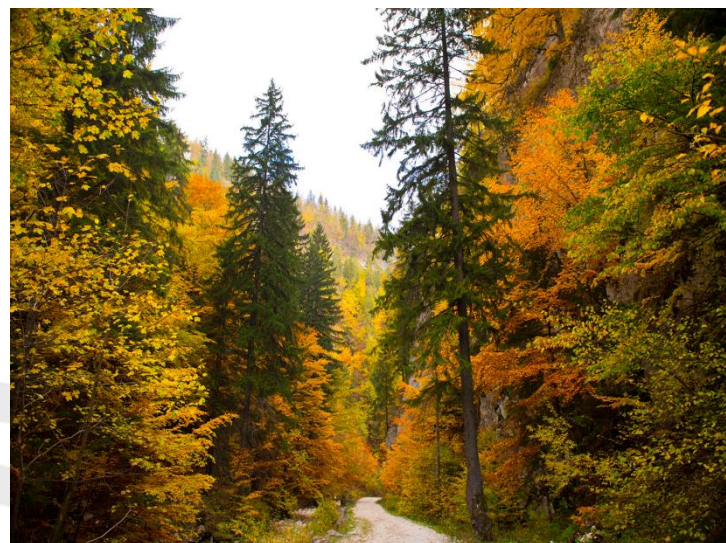


Strategic Action Plan for Sustainable Transport in the Carpathians

- **Mandate** given by Art. 8 and 10 of the Carpathian Convention and COP4 Decision 4/5 and Decision COP5/9
- **To be elaborated** within the context of the meetings of the Carpathian Convention Working Group on **Sustainable Transport and a joint Carpathian Convention Working Group meeting** (transport, biodiversity, spatial planning)
- Based on the **Guidelines and Recommendations** developed within the Project
- Endorsed by the Carpathian countries in order **to be adopted at COP6 in 2020 in Poland**

Previous Strategic Action Plans of the Carpathian Convention Structure

- Objectives (implementing one or more Protocol Articles)
 - Actions
 - Expected Results



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