TRANSGREEN. Integrated Transport and Green Infrastructure Planning in the Danube-Carpathian Region for the Benefit of People and Nature
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The Carpathians

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Series of bear accidents in Romania

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Project consortium

NGOs
- Friends of the Earth - CZ
- CEEweb - HU
- Milvus - RO
- WWF - AT, RO

Public authorities
- Nature Conservation Agency - CZ
- State Nature Conservancy - SK

Science
- SPECTRA – Centre of Excellence for EU, TU Bratislava – SK

Transport sector
- Czech Transport Research Centre
- Motorway Company - SK

9 Associated Strategic Partners from
AT, CZ, HU, PL, RO, SI, UA

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Specific objectives

1. **Cooperation** among relevant partners from transport, spatial planning and environmental sector is improved.

2. **Scientific knowledge** base for sound decision-making is created.

3. **Conflicts** between transport planning and Green Infrastructure objectives are **minimised**.
Cooperation established

- Across the Carpathians and beyond (ca. 460 institutions)

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Mid-term event in Bratislava
4-5 September 2018

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“Wildlife and Transportation in the Carpathian Countries”

Guidelines on how to minimize impact of transport infrastructure development on nature in the Carpathian countries

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Guidelines - Principles

AVOIDANCE → MITIGATION → COMPENSATION

Each case is a unique case!
Guidelines – Table of content

Introductory part:
- Basic terms
- Effects of transport infrastructure on nature
- Specifics of the Carpathians
- Legislation & planning procedures
- Animals and habitats

Specific chapters:
- How to integrate transport routes into surrounding landscape - design
- Fauna passages – technical solutions
- Compensation measures
- Monitoring

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Pilot areas

Beskydy (Czech Republic, Slovakia)

Miskolc – Košice – Uzhgorod
(Hungary, Slovakia, Ukraine)

Târgu Mureș – Iași (Romania)

Arad (Radna) – Deva (Romania)
Catalogue of measures

Beskydy
CZ/SK

Critical places on corridors

Legend
- Pilot area
- Pilot area SK/CZ border
- Selected critical places
- Core areas
- Corridors
- Critical places
- Watercourses
- Larger settlements
- Built-up area

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One example – Beskydy pilot area

Focus on monitoring
Research undertaken
- Monitoring of traffic intensity patterns
- Monitoring of existing fauna passages along roads/rails
  - 415 objects were examined

Content
- Critical areas identified
- Recommendations for improvements towards permeability of roads/rails
EIA training event – SUCCESS!

Interreg Danube Transnational Programme
TRANSGREEN
Strategic Action Plan

Based on the Carpathian Convention Protocol on Sustainable Transportation

6 Objectives

TRANSGREEN and ConnectGREEN will support its implementation

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You are invited to participate!

Upcoming national cross-sectoral meetings to be organised in April/May

Final conference in Bucharest, 25 Jun 19 under the EU and EUSDR Presidency

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Your support is welcome

- Your comments were incorporated „Wildlife and transportation in the Carpathian countries“ Guidelines – thanks!
- Support implementing the Catalogue of measures
- Adopt of the Carpathian Convention Strategic Action Plan at COP6 in 2020
- Implement Policy recommendations

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