

#### Potential Cooperation Area between Caucasus and Carpathians

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### establishment of **Sustainable Caucasus**



- Coordination Unit (Secretariat) of the SNC-mt the Caucasus Network for Sustainable Development of Mountain Regions (Sustainable Caucasus) — in August 2014
- Founded by 5 people of 4 nationalities
- Board of Sustainable Caucasus consist of the four people

 The mission is to facilitate cooperation and coordination for sustainable development of the Caucasus mountain region

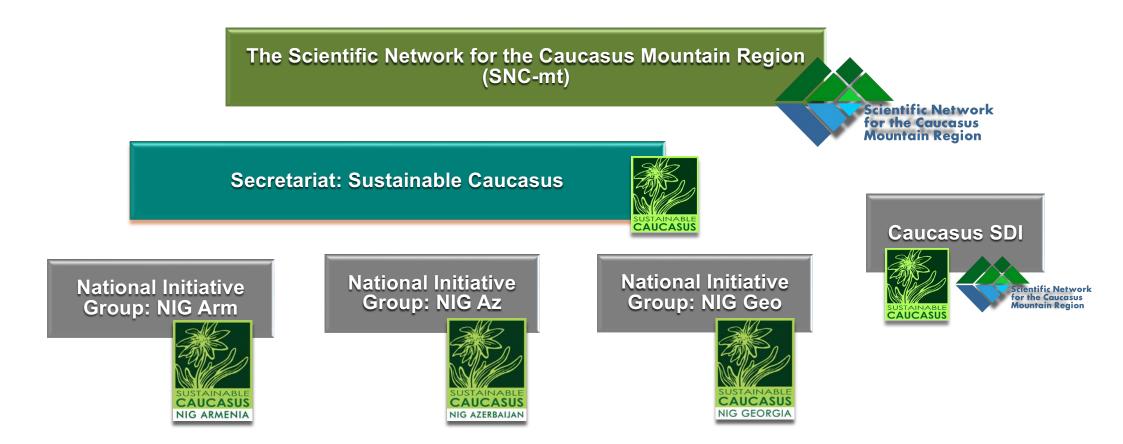








### current structure Sustainable Caucasus





# objectives and main target of **Sustainable Caucasus**

#### Its objectives are:

- to foster sustainable development in the Caucasus mountain region; and
- to elaborate regional approaches to transboundary problems at national and local levels.



- Ensure knowledge based and scientifically grounded decision-making and development, therefore
- Involve academia and SNC-mt institutions in all projects and initiatives of Sustainable Caucasus



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## membership of **Sustainable Caucasus**







 Covenant of Mayors supporter since 2018, in the field of adaptation to climate change

- A member of the Network for European Mountain Research (NEMOR), since 2020
- GCF/SDC/UNDP Project Strengthening the Climate Adaptation Capacities in Georgia Steering Committee permanent member, since 2019
- Member of UN Mountain Partnership, since 2023



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# key partners of **Sustainable Caucasus**



United Nations Environment Programme







- UN Environmental Programme 'excellence centre'
- A main partner in the SNC-mt and Sustainable Caucasus establishment and the key partner in higher education promotion
- The key partner in research and cooperation promotion, including organisation of the biannual Caucasus Mountain Forums (CMF)
- Science for Carpathians



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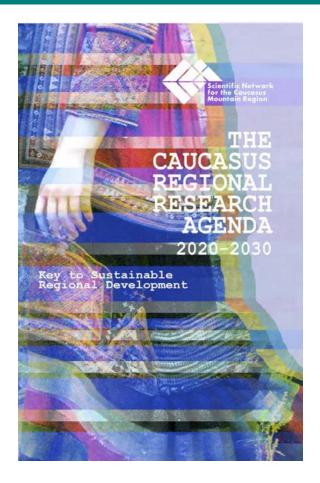


- Partner in development of Caucasus Spatial Data Infrastructure (C\_SDI)
- Together with UNEP in elaboration of outlooks about the Caucasus
- Key partner NGO and supporter in the Caucasus
- Jagiellonian University



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#### key guiding document Sustainable Caucasus



- Initiation of the Caucasus Regional Research Agenda elaboration and its approval at the Second Caucasus Forum in Ankara, 2019
- In line with the Agenda 2030, it calls for research promotion, technology and innovation development as well as cooperation between scientists and practitioners.



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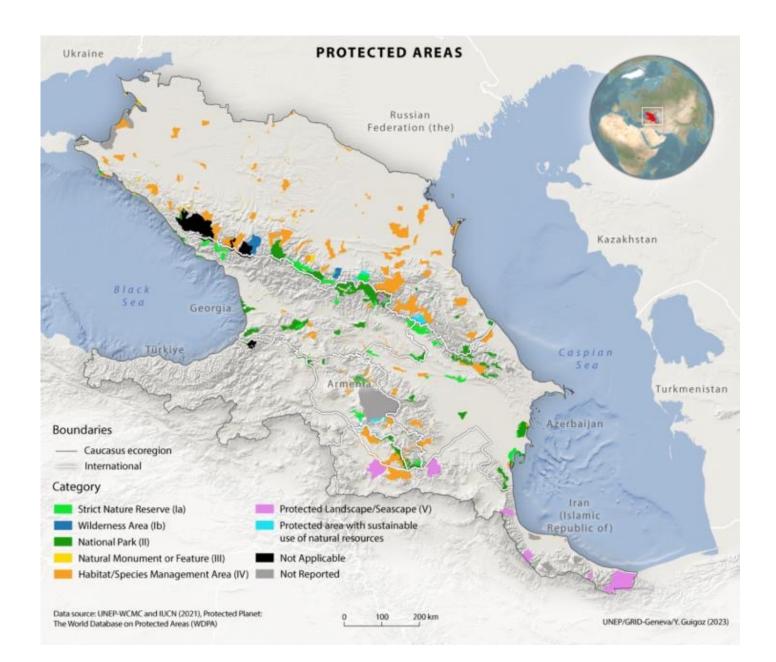
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- Sustainable al Development
- B.1 Climate change
- **B.2** Biodiversity
- **B.3** Forestry conservation and development of forests
- **B.4** Water resources and management
- B.5 Land use and land cover change
- **B.6** Natural hazards and risks
- **B.7** Population and cultural diversity
- **B.8** Tourism and recreation
- **B.9** Socio-economic development and planning
- **B.10** Mountain cryosphere













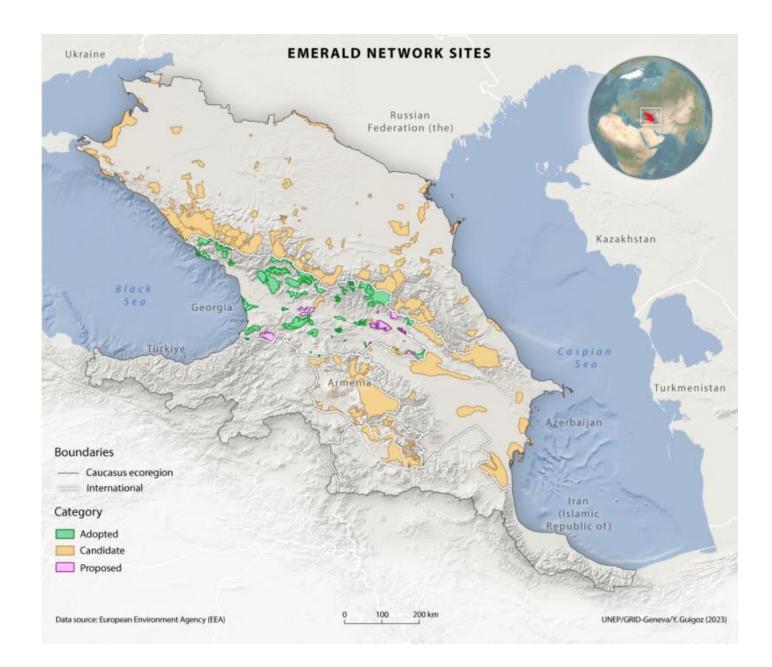








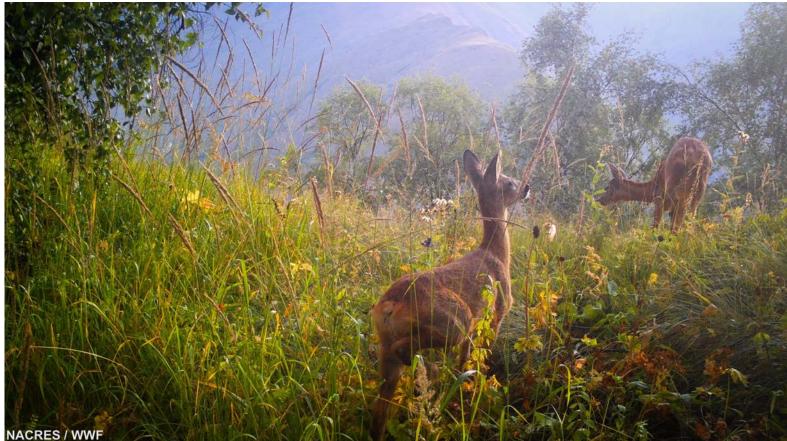










































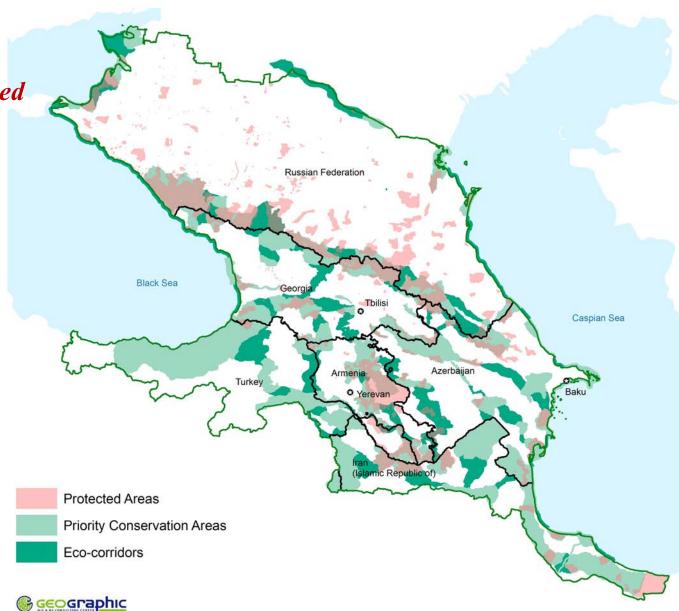


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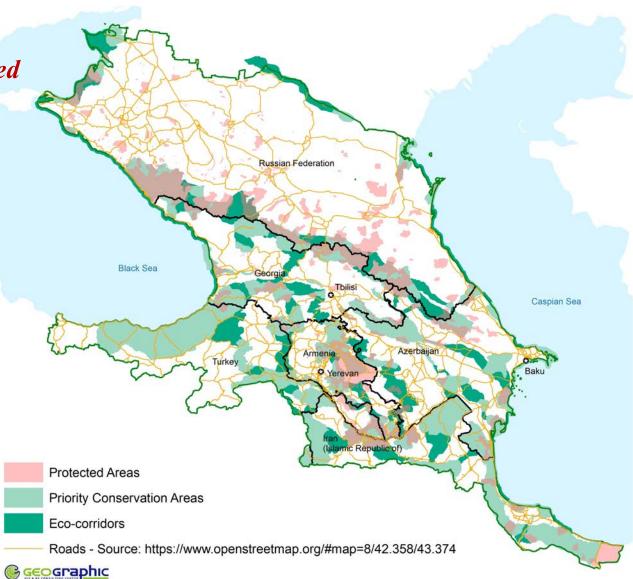


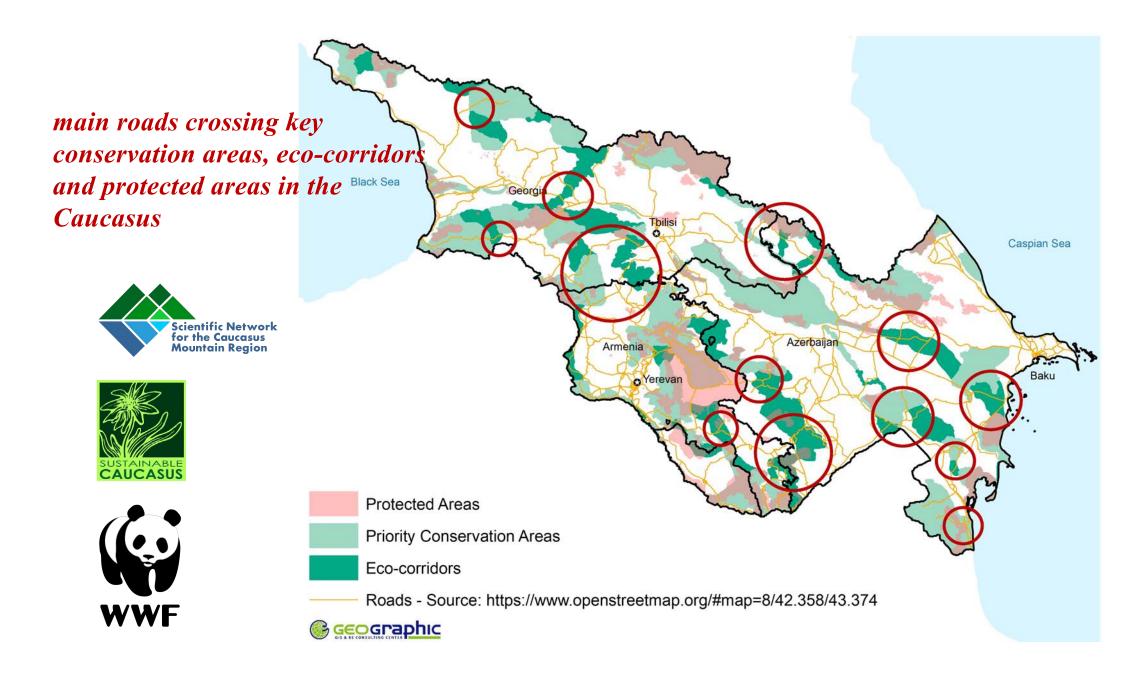
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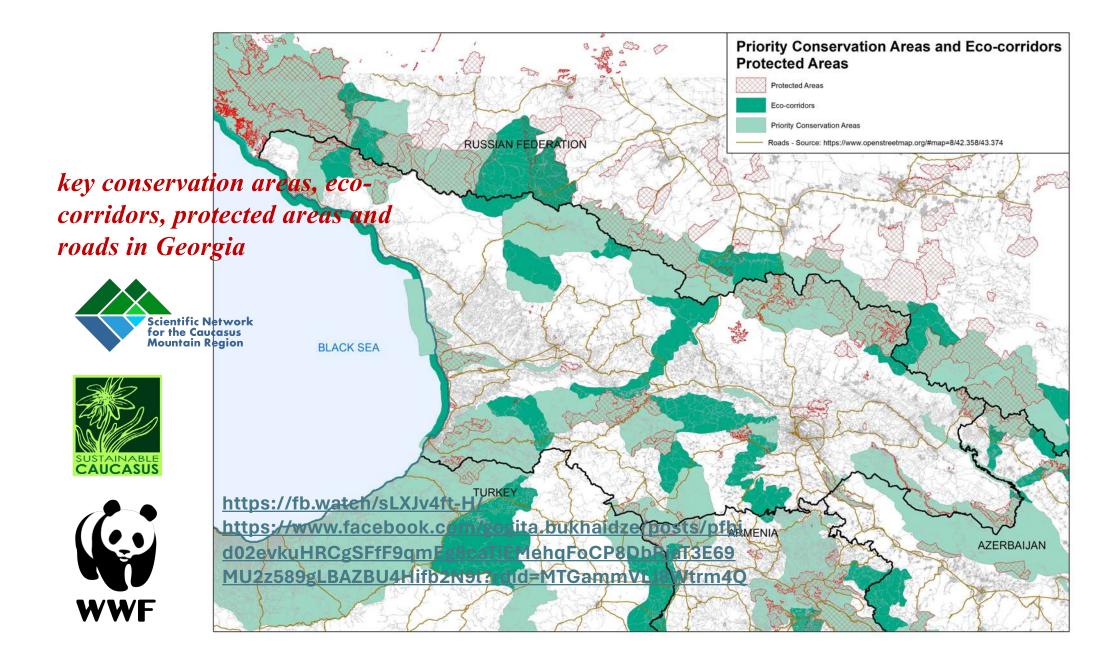














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