



# A foundation for a nation

The story of Făgăraș  
National Park

FOR NATURE  
FOR COMMUNITIES

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# Our Vision

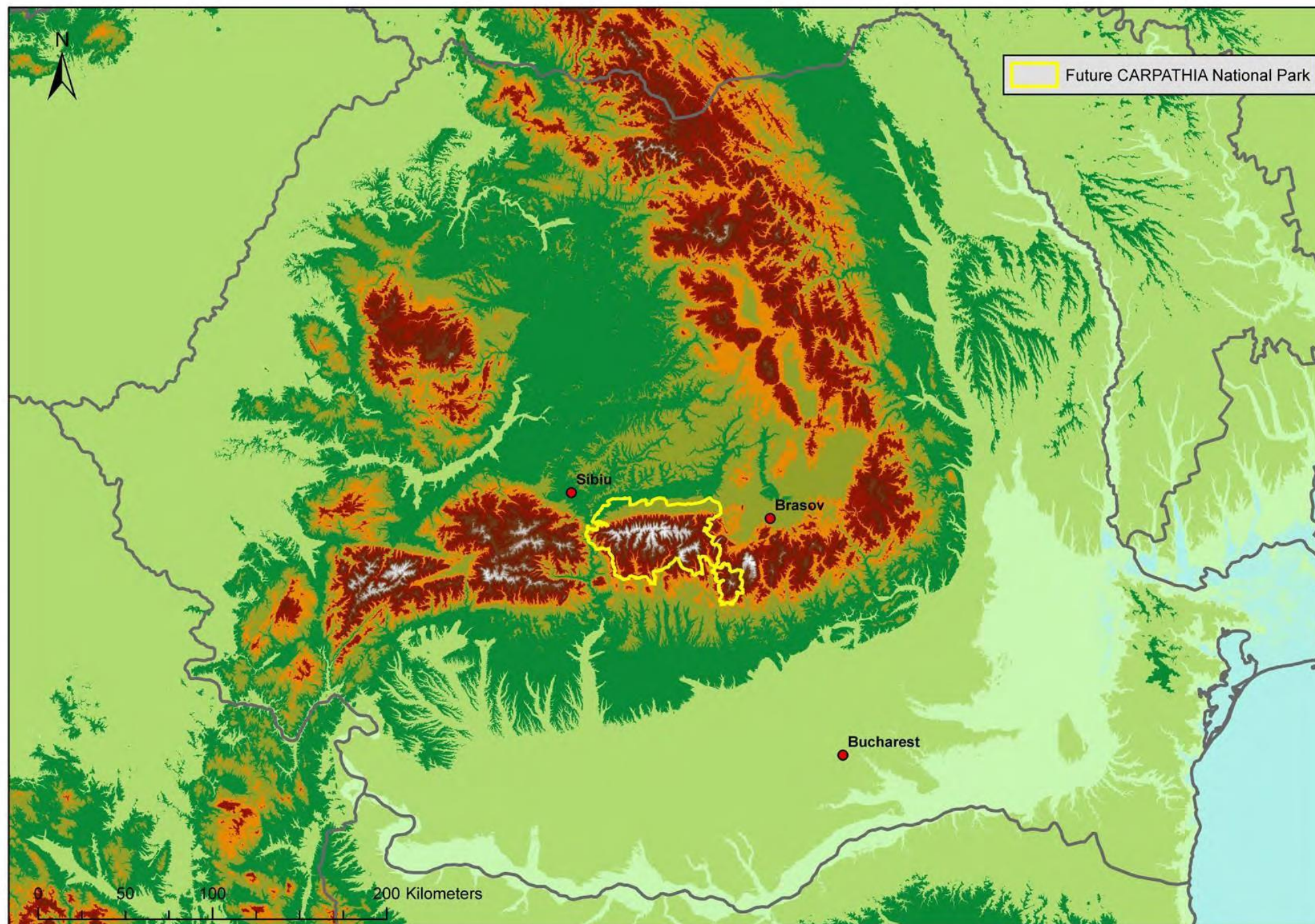
**We aim to create a resilient Carpathian ecosystem where biodiversity and people thrive in perpetuity.**



# Our mission


Foundation Conservation Carpathia's mission is **to create Europe's largest forest wilderness National Park in the Romanian Făgăraș Mountains** as a complete and self-sustaining ecosystem, which benefits nature and people whilst mitigating climate change.





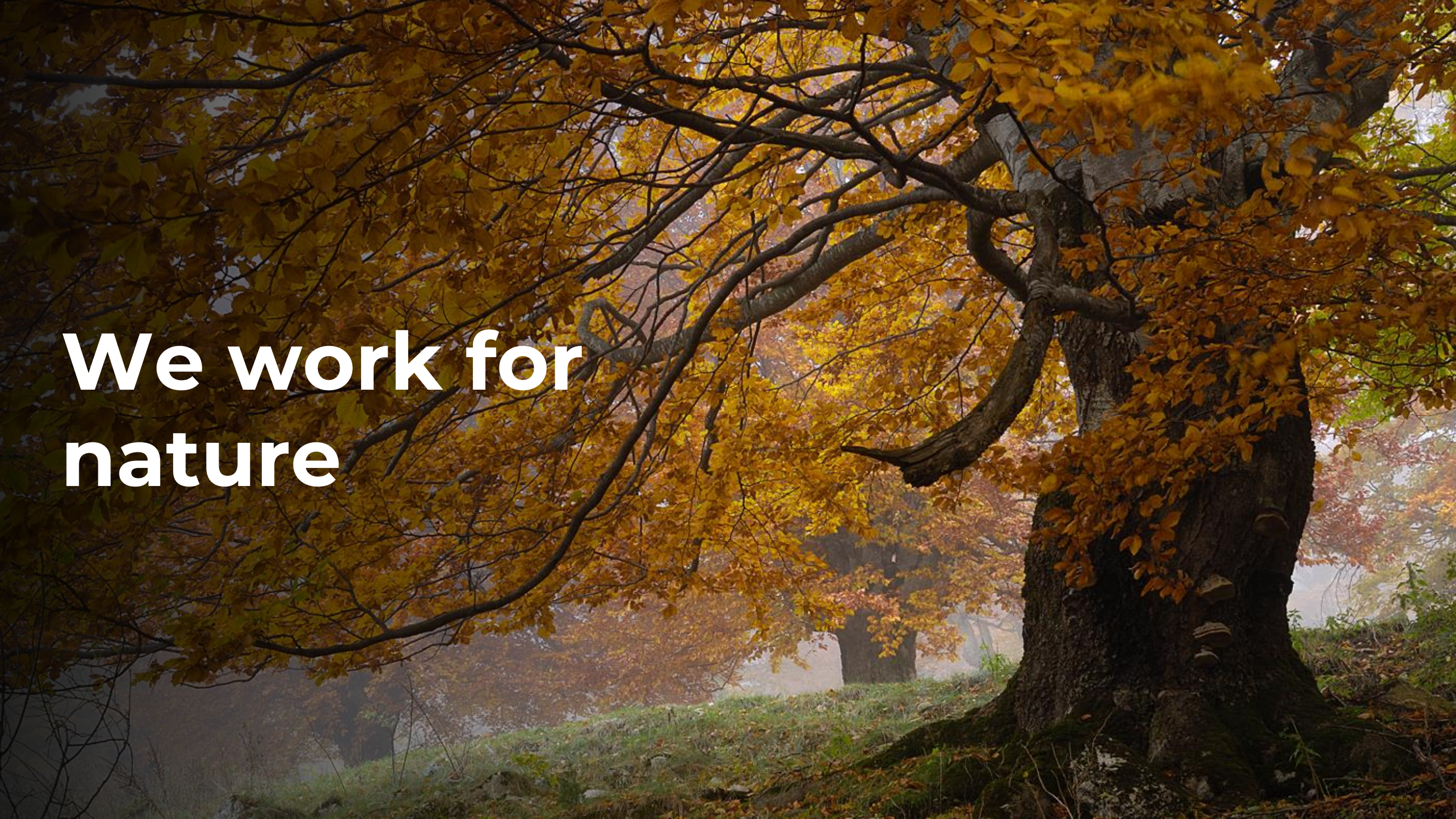
**We are  
here!**



A photograph of a forest scene. Sunlight filters through the trees, creating a hazy, golden atmosphere. A large, moss-covered log lies diagonally across the foreground. The background shows a dense forest with tall trees and a stream or river visible in the distance.

**What is it that  
we do ?**





**We work for  
nature**



# 1. Ecological restoration

- From the beginning of the project, almost 25.000 ha of forests and alpine pastures in the S-E of the Carpathian Mountains are protected from exploitation.
- The foundation is planting almost 100 ha every year, taking into consideration the missing key species. Most of the trees planted are from our tree nurseries.
- We restored the old exploitation roads that had become massive ditches.
- Since 2019, we started a programme to eliminate invasive alien plant species.















## 2. Wildlife & Wildlife monitoring

- We are currently active throughout five wildlife management units and we have created an area of 78,000 ha where trophy and sports hunting is completely prohibited.
- We are actively working on solving human-wildlife problems, such as bears attacks. We offered electric fences for shepards and we developed a compensation programme for the people who lost domestic animals in wildlife conflicts.
- The foundation is actively monitoring wildlife with modern technology. We work with three categories of field methods: wildlife tracking, genetic sample collection, and remote camera traps.
- We reintroduced 2 key species in the Făgăraș Mountains, long lost because excessive hunting, the European beaver (*castor fiber*) and the European bison (*bison bonasus*).





























CARPATHIA  
European Wilderness Reserve

Munții Făgăraș  
devin acasă pentru  
zimbri!

Un simbol al Carpatilor  
se întoarce în pădurile din  
munții Făgăraș.







# We work for people





# Conservation Enterprise

We also craft beer, but the most important: **we develop economic incentives for local communities and prove that a protected area is more beneficial for them than the current, extractive economy.**





# The fruits of the mountains food HUB

local food from the Fagaras Mountains

Fair, healthy and sustainable food systems  
that truly value nature and people.







**Mai bună decât  
ciocolata Dubai  
doar zacusca  
poate fi.**





# Eco-tourism

We develop an eco-tourism infrastructure, based on wildlife, forests, and re-wilding for the future National Parc Fagaras:

- We are building visitor centers, thematic trails
- We have four wildlife hides, one glamping, guest houses, an educational center
- Ecotourism program – Travel Carpathia
- Guiding Academy









# Educational programs

- Richita educational camps
- Junior Ranger program
- Carpathia Scholarships
- Adopt a Corner of Nature
- Mentoring program for young
- Tabel tennis program in schools
- Nature in the classroom caravan





# Educational programmes

2024

3 camps, 10 field activities  
for more than 40 kids

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## Junior Ranger

40 camps for 600 children

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## Richita Camps

20 scholarships

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## Carpathia Scholarships + mentoring program

15 children travel to  
Bavarian Forest National  
Park

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## Adopt a Corner of Nature

5 schools

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## Tabel tennis program

150 workshops for more  
than 3000 children

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## Nature in the classroom caravan









# Thank you!

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