



"Promoting regional cooperation in
the Western Balkans through
improved management of natural
resources"

WWF MedPO Dinaric Arc Parks - Team meeting -

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Dinaric Arc Parks project

"Promoting regional cooperation in the Western Balkans through improved management of natural resources"

1. A vibrant, active regional collaboration network composed of agencies and staff responsible for protected areas management in Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, FYR Macedonia, Serbia, Kosovo* and Albania is established and fully functional by 2015.
 2. Capacity building plan for the network, addressing key issues identified through completed protected areas management assessments, is developed and fully implemented "Dinaric Arc Parks Learning Network" by 2015.
 3. "Western Balkans/Dinaric Arc Parks" network brand – based on shared natural and cultural values – is developed and widely promoted and is recognized within the region by 2015.
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Dinaric Arc Parks

- Capacity building plan -

- Review of completed protected areas management effectiveness assessments recommendations and development of regional capacity building plan endorsed by all stakeholders.
 - Capacity building activities of the “Dinaric Arc Parks Learning Network”:
 - Protected areas benefits (PA BAT)
 - European Charter for Sustainable Tourism
 - Protected areas - EU Accession & EU Membership
 - Protected areas & Climate Change – adaptation and mitigation
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Protected areas benefits

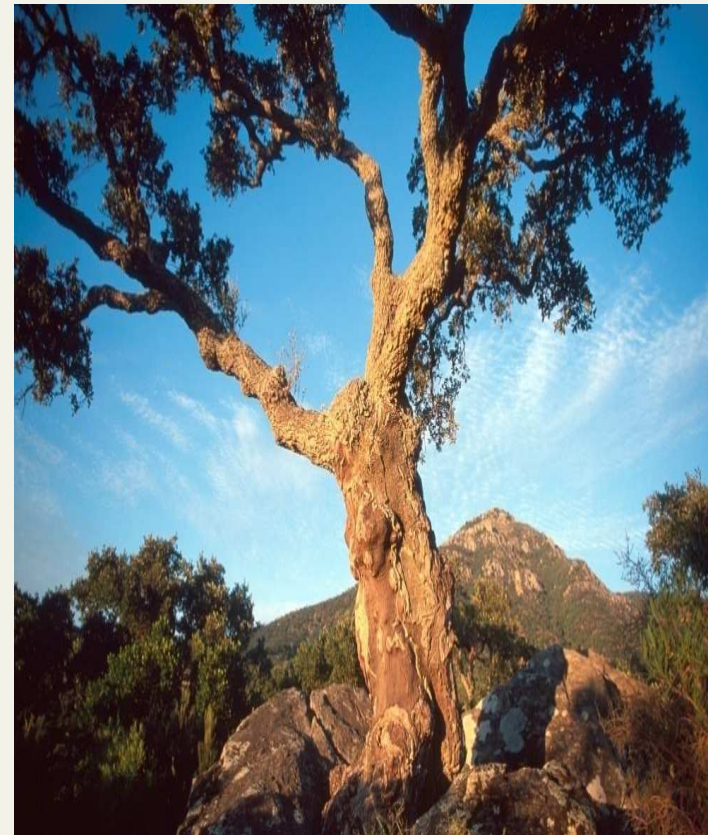
A three stage process:

- 2012: background information and training materials
- 2012-2013: training professionals - to use methodology (PA Benefits Assessment Tool ,PA-BAT) and prepare analysis for selected PAs in Dinaric Arc territory
- 2014: detailed information on PA benefits and inputs for lobbying materials



Protected areas benefits

1. Introducing qualitative and quantitative methods for assessing PA benefits (Conference 2012, national WS 2013)
2. Using ecosystem benefits to build strong PA systems supported by local communities & Integrating ecosystems services and cultural values into management plans (2013)
3. Interpretation of benefits for PA practitioners, politicians, local stakeholders, tourists and the general public (2014)





European Charter for Sustainable Tourism

- List of potential Protected Areas suitable for certification - European Charter for Sustainable Tourism (ECST) (March-May 2012)
- At least, 10 PAs to get involved in process of obtaining European Charter for Sustainable Tourism (June –Dec 2012)
- Introduction of the process and benefits of obtaining European Charter for Sustainable Tourism & training for Selected PAs (Dec 2012)
- Individual work with PAs and guidance to the successful nomination for ECST (at least 5 PAs) - Europarc & WWF project team (2013 & 2014)
- Lobbying for financial support of PAs nominations and maintenance of ECST (2012, 2013 & 2014)

Protected areas - EU Accession & Membership

- Estimated cost of Natura 2000 ~ 5,8 € Bn/year
- Estimated direct benefits from Natura 2000 ~ 200-300 € Bn/year.
- Cost of non implementation of the Env. Acquis, EU nature & biodiversity policy ~ 50 € Bn /year
- More benefits: clean drinkable water, positive effects on overexploited fish stocks, supports tourism, hazards prevention...
- Contribution to other relevant EU targets (Water Framework Directive, Marine Strategy Framework Directives)



Protected areas - EU Accession & EU Membership

- How to integrate PA and Natura 2000
- Some answers about PA management and funding before and after EU accession - during the Study visit to Slovenia (14-20 May 2012) :
 - visited 7 PA with different protection status and management
 - Institute for Nature Protection
 - Ministry of the Agriculture and Environment



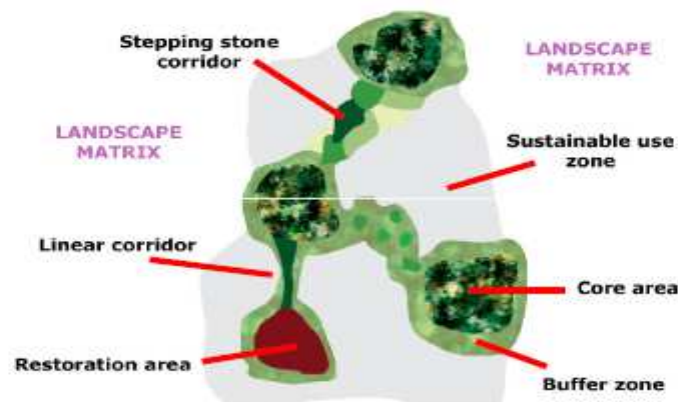
Protected areas and Climate Change

- how to ask right questions about PA and climate change

Implications of EbM & EbA for biodiversity management and protected area networks in Europe

Which strategy and investment most effective for...

... ecosystem-based adaptation?



... protecting carbon storage?

... carbon sequestration?



More information, planning.....



http://croatia.panda.org/dinarski_luk/mrea_parkova_dinarskog_luka/

<http://dinaricarcparcs.blogspot.com/>



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