



EU INTERREG IIIB CADSES Carpathian Project






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Poprad, Slovakia 21-23 November 2006*

Carpathian Convention

The Framework for Cooperation from
international to local level



Seven countries – common **Carpathian Space**

Carpathian Convention: Main Goals



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| <p>To preserve</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biological and landscape diversity • Endangered flora and fauna species and their natural habitats • Ethnic-cultural, historical and aesthetic heritage • Traditional knowledge | <p>To sustainable develop</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water/river basin management • Agriculture/rural areas • Forestry/forest management • Transport/infrastructure • Tourism • Industry/energy |
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General Information

- Lead Partner - UNEP Vienna ISCC
- Funding: € 4.260.000 (2,4 ERDF, PHARE, TACIS, Nat.)
- 18 Project Partners
- 10 countries
- 36 months

➔ **“The Carpathian Space”**

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Objectives:

- Strengthen the protection and accelerate the sustainable development of the Carpathian region
- Implement pilot actions in the selected intervention areas
- Develop the Carpathian Convention into an operational and truly transnational platform
- **Identify strategic priorities for investment and for follow-up action**


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Work Packages:

- Basic Data Platform
- General Strategic Process
- Integrative Policies, Guidelines and Instruments
- Education and Awareness for the future
- Transfer of Experiences – SME's in the Mountainous Areas
- Coordination, Management and Progress Consolidation

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Expected Results:


- Improvement of the information base
- Analysis of key socio-economic sectors
- Best practice examples for implementing the policy instruments
- Enhanced transnational cooperation process



COP 1


**First Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Carpathian Convention-
Intergovernmental Platform of the Carpathian Project**

*Kyiv, Ukraine
11-13 December 2006*



COP1 Objectives

- Action on practical measures
- Adoption the work programme and budget
- Establishment of the subsidiary bodies
- Establishment of the CNPA
- Protocols?
- ...



Carpathian Project Inputs to the COP1

Agenda item 6. Work programme and budget


- WG Biodiversity and natural heritage including the CNPA
- WG Cultural heritage
- WG Sustainable rural development, agriculture, forestry
- WG Sustainable transport, infrastructure, industry and energy
- WG Sustainable tourism
- WG Spatial development
- KEO
- Strategic document: Carpathian Spatial Development Vision



Agenda item 8: Cooperation with other conventions and international bodies

Amongst others:

- Signing of MoC between CERI and UNEP Vienna ISCC
- Joint/complementary/cooperative activities



Looking into the Future

- Protocol on Biodiversity
- Programmatic documents for developing the Carpathian ecological network
- Support to the activities of the Carpathian Network of Protected Areas (CNPA)



Thank you !

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