

2012 Protected Areas for a Living Planet The Carpathian Mountains Ecoregion

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CBD – Convention on Biological Diversity

- Up for signature in 1992 at the Rio Earth Summit
- Entered into force 1993
- Based on **3 pillars**
 - Conservation
 - Sustainable use
 - Equitable sharing of benefits





CBD Programme of Work on Protected Areas (PoW PA)

Aim

- To achieve a **significant reduction of the current rate of biodiversity loss** by 2010/2012
- Adopted in 2004 by the 188 Parties to the CBD at the COP 7
- Signed by all 7 countries of the Carpathian Ecoregion





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Carpathian Stakeholder Workshop Petronell – Austria, April 2006



- “Implementation of the CBD Programme of Work on Protected Areas in the Carpathian countries”
- Participants: experts and decision makers from governments, civil society and protected areas
- Organized by WWF DCP and WWF Int.





Workshop Output

Priority activities identified depend to a large extent on the **capacity** and **resources** of each of the Carpathian countries

A regional approach will bring significant benefits to the parties



Action Plan

OBJECTIVE 1

Establish a mechanism to drive, support and coordinate the implementation of the PoW PA in the region as well as to ensure effective project management and monitoring

- Create PoW PA's monitoring scheme



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OBJECTIVE 2

Ensure that the Carpathian PA are supported by a network of skilled and professional PA practitioners

- Capacity building for PA workers and trainers
- Carpathian Clearing House Mechanism
- First Carpathian PA Conference



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OBJECTIVE 3

Increase participation of key stakeholders in PA design, management and benefit sharing

- Encourage participative management schemes
- Lobby for improved legislation for participative management and benefit sharing in Carpathian PA



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OBJECTIVE 4

Ensure that critical gaps in the PA network are filled.

- Identification of critical gaps in the PA system
- Propose identified priority areas for legal designation





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OBJECTIVE 5

Improve capacity for

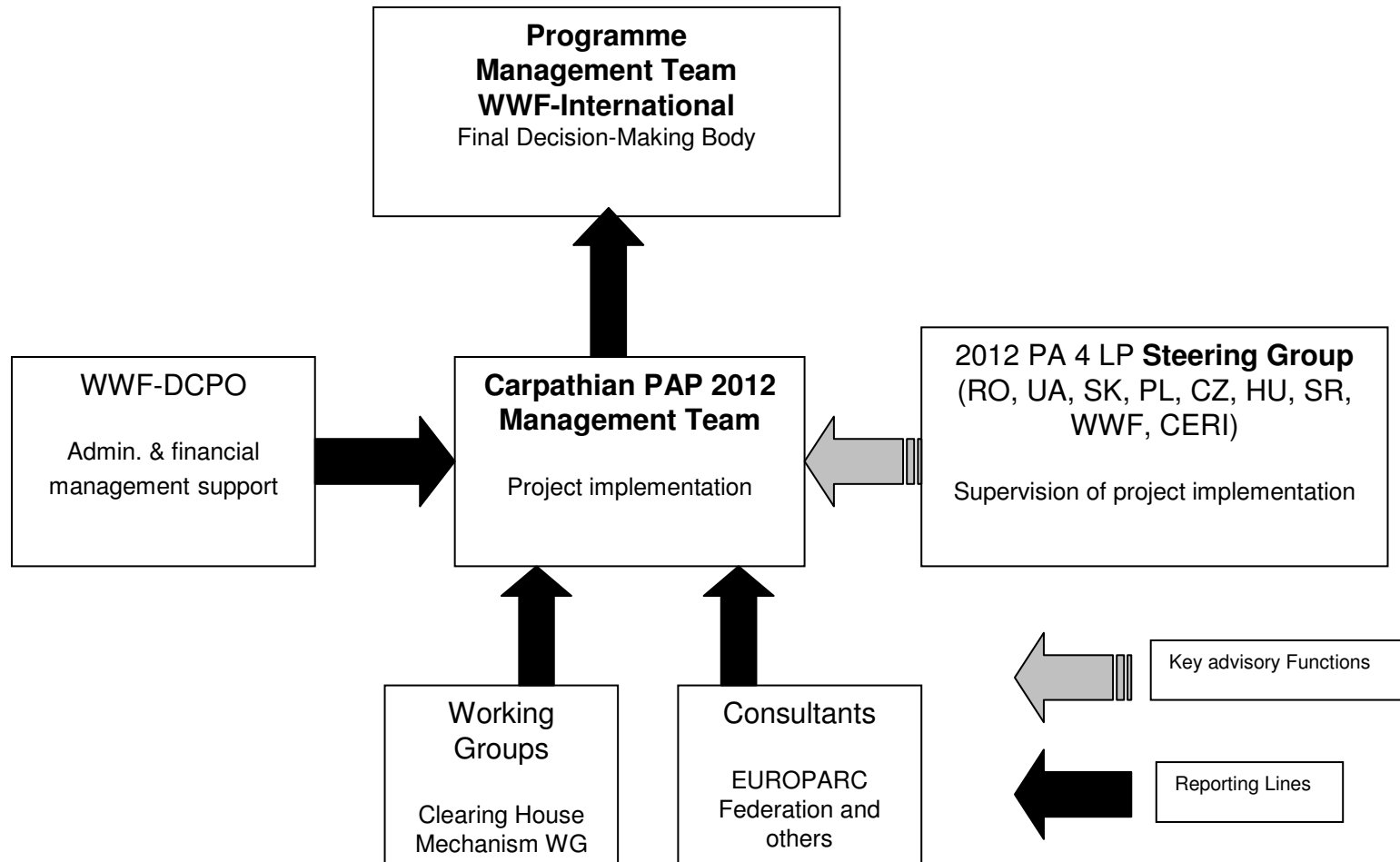
- **Valuation of PA goods and services**
- **Cross-sectoral planning for effective PA management and benefit realization**
- **Increase public awareness on the importance and values of the Carpathian PA**





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Organizational Structure





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