



DANUBEPARKS – The Danube River Network of Protected Areas

10 years for Nature Conservation along the Danube

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2007: Declaration of Tulcea 2000ies: cross-border projects





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network of protected areas



"...the EU Natura 2000 Award for its **ambitious**, **friendly and trustworthy** cooperation **crossing all borders** and its **concerted efforts** to preserve the Danube's natural heritage."



















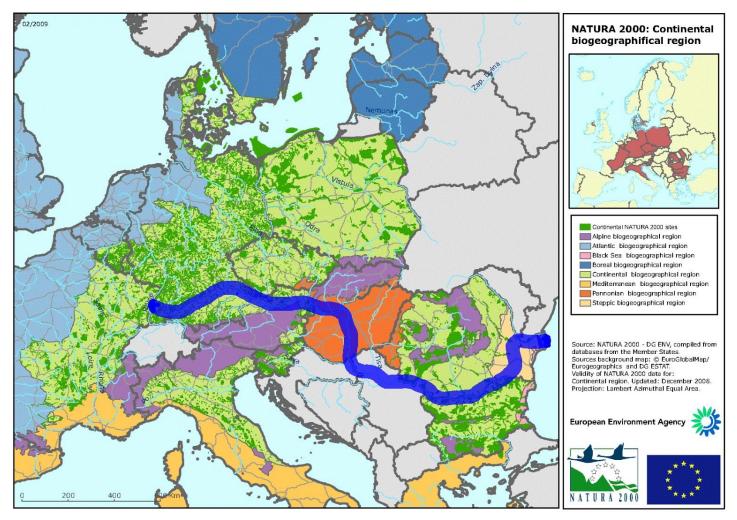
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"It is now a **recognized label** for Nature Conservation in the Danube Region. ...established a **fruitful transfer of know-how**....started region-wide **initiatives**...helped to develop a **stronger voice at the policy level**."





Bridging the Danube Protected Areas towards a Danube Habitat Corridor







Danube Dry Habitat Corridor







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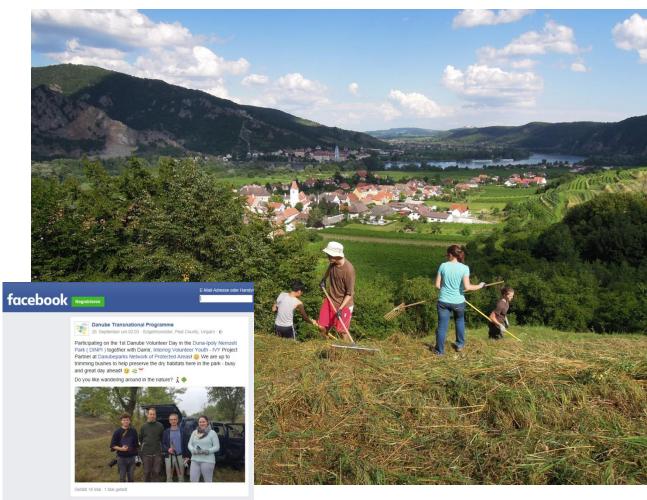
Cross-border grazing





Danube Dry Habitat Corridor

- 14 events (Sept./Oct. 2017)
- 8 countries
- 350 participants
- > 1,000 voluntary working hours
- Online reach: >80,000



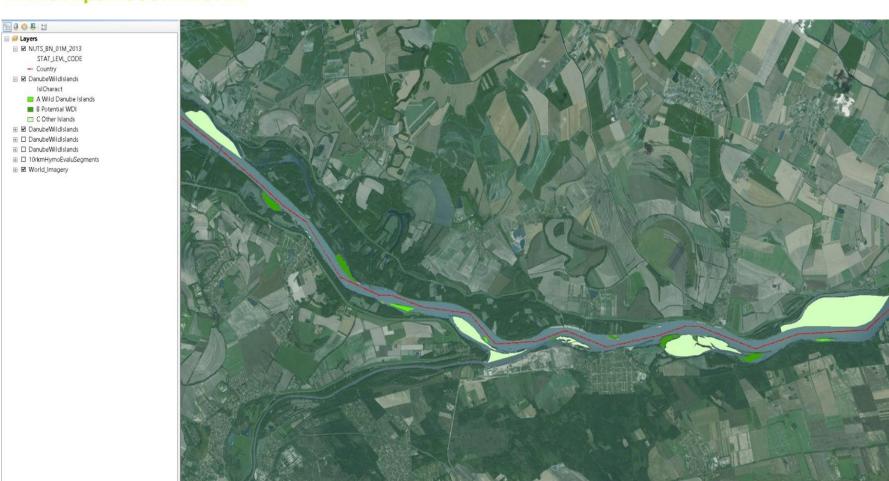
1st Danube Volunteers Day 2017







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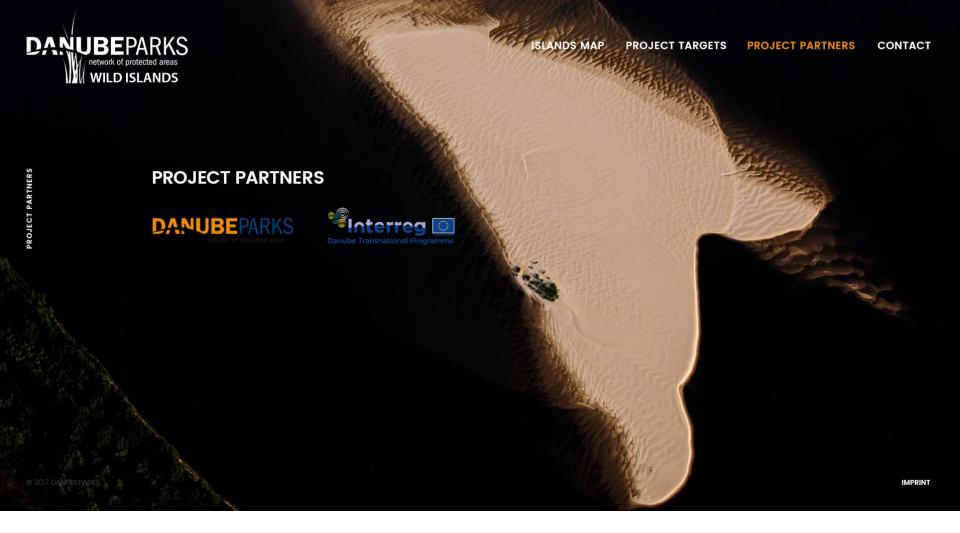


Cross-sector
co-operation
(e.g. waterway administrations)

Pilot restoration actions

 Joint capitalization & follow-up's (e.g. with DTP Danube Stream & Danube Sediment)





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- Germany: 2,8
 million birds
 killed/year
 through collission
- Many hundred killed birds/10 km and year (e.g. Elbe river)

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		DE	AT	SK	HU	HR	RS	BG	RO
	Forestry	L	**	С	M	Н	M	Н	С
	Land exploitation	L	M	Н	L	L	L	Н	L
	River regulation / drainage	N	L	M	L	Н	L	M	Н
	Disturbance	L	**	Н	M	M	M	Н	С
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	Reduction of prey base	N	N	U	L	L	С	L	M
e d	Shooting and trapping	N	U	С	L	L	L	M	Н
	Nest robbing	N	N	L	L	L	U	L	L
マイン	Poisoning	L	Н	С	Н	U	L	U	Н
	Lead poisoning	*	*	U	M	Н	U	U	M
, e	Pesticides and pollutants	N	U	U	M	U	\overline{M}	U	L
	Collision and electrocution	L	M	Н	M	L	L	U	U

Table 4: Threats to the White-tailed Sea Eagle along the Danube.

Danube-wide cooperation to raise the awareness!!







- Aussehen: 50 cm groß, bewegliche Lamellen mit Schwarz-Weiß-Kontrast, phosphorisierende Beschichtungen zur besseren Erkennung im Dunkeln werden erprobt
- Wirkung: Hoher Wirkungsgrad durch bessere Sichtbarkeit und Entfernungseinschätzung für Vögel Empfehlung des NABU nach derzeitigem Kenntnisstand. Weitere Untersuchungen sind notwendig.



- Cross-sector co-operation (powerline operators act as strategic partners)
- Patronage by EUSDR PA6 & PA2

- Implemenation of technical solutions by energy sector
- reduction of mortality by 60-90%



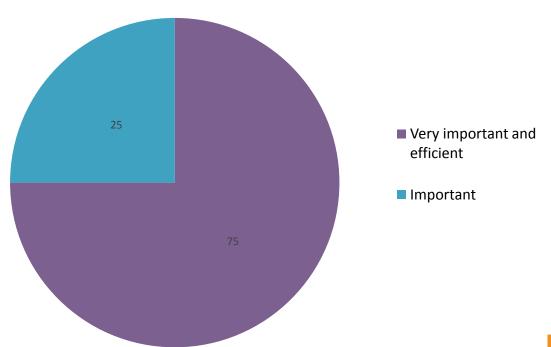




How important and efficient is a Danubewide approach on the topic of bird conservation at powerlines?

(Questionnaire, answered by

DANUBEPARKS & key stakeholders)







One River, two mountains: Danube, Carpathian and Alpine Network of Protected Areas





(Alpine Convention, October 2016: MoC under the patronage by German Federal Minister)





One River, two mountains: Danube, Carpathian and Alpine Network of Protected Areas



- Cross-over EU macro-regional strategies (EUSDR PAC6 & EUSALP AG2)
- Synergies between Projects of Alpine Space (ALPBIONET2030) and Danube Transnational Programme (DANUBEparksCONNECTED)









Alpine Carpathian River Corridor

