

RECENT ACTIVITIES

TO PROMOTE ESD IN OTHER INTERNATIONAL FORUMS



ESD EXPERT NETWORK
WITHIN THE
FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON THE PROTECTION
AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF THE
CARPATHIANS

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The Carpathian Region

Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland,
Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Ukraine

About the Carpathian Region

- One of the largest mountain regions in Europe
- Providing **essential ecosystem services and goods** for 17 million of inhabitants
- Europe's last **great wildernesses areas** with exceptional levels of biodiversity
- Exceptional **cultural heritage** as distinguishing feature of the region in Europe and globally

Framework Convention on the Protection and Sustainable Development of the Carpathians

- Adopted in 2003, entered in force in 2006, ratified by all Carpathian countries
- A platform for cooperation, policy coordination, joint strategies for sustainable development + a forum for **dialogue between all stakeholders involved**
- **UN Environment Vienna Office provides the Secretariat** for the Convention



Thematic articles



Article 3 - Integrated approach to the land resources management

Article 4 - Conservation and sustainable use of biological and landscape diversity

Article 5 - Spatial planning

Article 6 - Sustainable and integrated water/river basin management

Article 7 - Sustainable agriculture and forestry

Article 8 - Sustainable transport and infrastructure

Article 9 - Sustainable tourism

Article 10 - Industry and energy

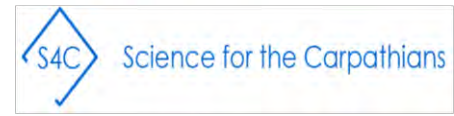
Article 11 - Cultural heritage and traditional knowledge

Article 12 - Environmental assessment/information system, monitoring and early warning

Article 12bis - Climate Change

Article 13 - Awareness raising, education and public participation

Collaboration under the Convention



The Carpathian Convention as a regional instrument



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6.A



7.2, 7.A



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12.2, 12.4, 12.8,
12.A, 12.B



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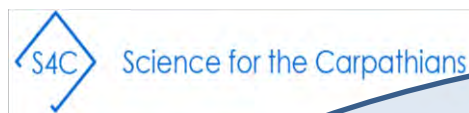
Article 13 - Awareness raising, education and public participation

1. The Parties shall pursue policies aiming at increasing environmental awareness and improving access of the public to information on the protection and sustainable development of the Carpathians, and promoting related education curricula and programmes.
2. The Parties shall pursue policies guaranteeing public participation in decision-making relating to the protection and sustainable development of the Carpathians, and the implementation of this Convention.

Establishing the ESD network: a research-based approach

- ESD activities are regularly carried out under the Carpathian Convention
- Current ESD activities target various groups from youth to professionals and decision-makers
- ESD activities currently are not perceived as ESD by several actors
- The ESD activities are fragmented
- ESD is not prioritised in projects and proposals

Envisioning the ESD network



Conference of the Parties (COP)

Carpathian Convention Implementation Committee (CCIC)

Carpathian ESD Expert Network

WG Biodiversity

WG Climate Change

WG Sustainable Tourism

WG Cultural Heritage and Traditional Knowledge

WG Sustainable Forest

WGon Transport

WG SARD

WG Spatial Development



Protocol on Conservation and Sustainable Use of Biological and Landscape Diversity



Protocol on Sustainable Tourism



Protocol on Sustainable Forest Management



Protocol on Sustainable Transport



Protocol on Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development

Regional ESD network and mechanism



- ✓ Highlighting existing ESD activities / linking actors
- ✓ Using learning methods to strengthen the Carpathian Convention
- ✓ Using educational channels to promote the Carpathian Convention





Thank you for your attention.

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