

TRANSGREEN WP3: Concept of Strategic Action Plan for Sustainable Transport Development of the Carpathians

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The Carpathian Convention

- A framework Convention for cooperation and multi-sectoral policy coordination
- Adopted on 22nd May 2003
- Entered in force on 4th January 2006
- Ratified by all the seven Carpathian countries (Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Ukraine)
- A platform for joint strategies for sustainable development
- A forum for dialogue between all stakeholders involved



**Goal: Environmental Protection
and Sustainable Development
of the Carpathian Region**

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CC Structure and Protocols



- 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 *on the way*

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Protocol on Sustainable Transport to the Framework Convention on the Protection and Sustainable Development of the Carpathians

- Adopted at the 4th Conference of the Parties in Mikulov, Czech Republic, September 2014
- Ratified by Poland, Slovakia, Ukraine



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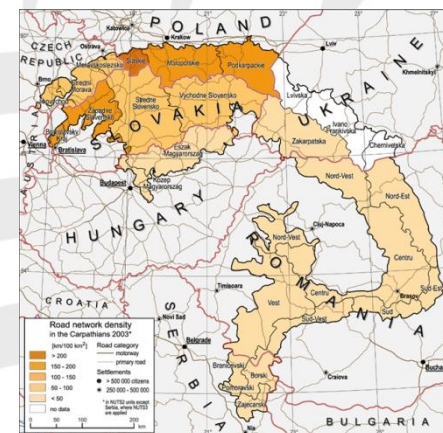
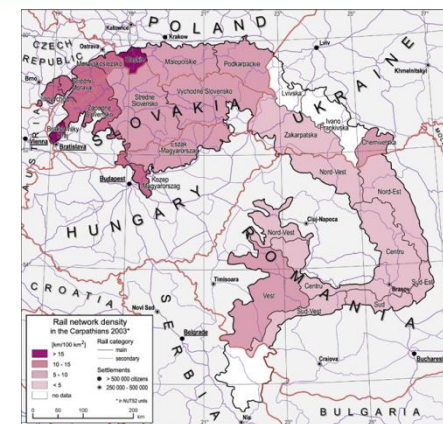
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Objectives, Geographical Scope and Definitions

- General objectives and principles

" (...) is to enhance and facilitate cooperation of the Parties for the development of sustainable freight and passenger transport and related infrastructure in the Carpathians for the benefit of present and future generations with the objective to contribute to the sustainable development of the region while avoiding, minimizing and, where necessary, mitigating and compensating negative environmental and socio-economic impacts of transport and related infrastructure development.(...) "



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Fields of cooperation:

- a) policies of sustainable transport and related infrastructure planning and development, which take into account the specificities of the mountain environment;
- b) development of sustainable multi-modal transport policies, which provide the socio-economic benefits of mobility and access to urban, rural, remote areas and tourist destinations in the Carpathians;
- c) reducing negative impacts on human health and improvement of transportation safety;
- d) avoiding fragmentation of natural and semi-natural habitats caused by all transport modes and related infrastructure, as well as maintenance and improvement of ecological connectivity on the local, national and regional level;

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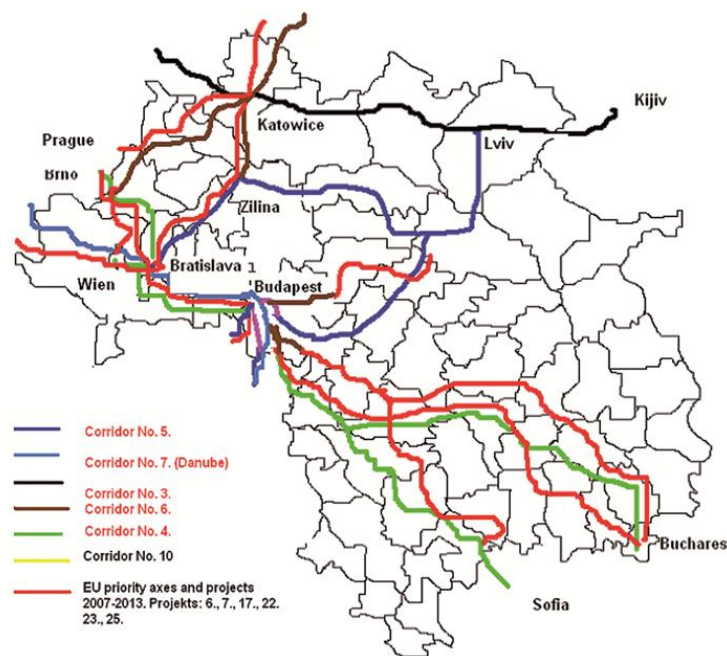
Fields of cooperation:

- e) development and promotion of **environmentally friendly transport models and systems**, in particular, in **environmentally sensitive areas**;
- f) **incorporating sustainable transport planning and traffic management in the Carpathians**, avoiding overload of transit **capacities** across the Carpathians where possible;
- g) assuring **infrastructural functionality of the transport network**;
- h) improvement or maintenance of **transport infrastructure** in terms of **efficiency, safety**, security passenger and freight mobility and emissions of greenhouse gases.

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Specific measures

- General transport - policies and strategies
- Transport Infrastructure networks and their connectivity
- Road transport
- Rail transport
- Water transport
- Air transport
- Non-motorized transportation
- Traffic Management Systems
- Safety standards
- Real Costs



Strategic Action Plan for Sustainable Transport in the Carpathians



- Mandate given by Art. 8 and 10 of the Carpathian Convention and COP4 Decision 4/5
- Elaborated within the context of the meetings of the Carpathian Convention Working Group on Sustainable Transport and a joint Carpathian Convention Working Group meeting (transport, biodiversity, spatial planning)
- Based on the Guidelines and Recommendations developed within the Project
- Endorsed by the Carpathian countries in order to be adopted at COP6 in 2020

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Previous Strategic Action Plans of the Carpathian Convention

- Objectives (implementing one or more Protocol Articles)
 - Actions
 - Expected Results



Strategic Action Plan for Sustainable Transport in the Carpathians



- Which kind of objectives, related actions and expected results based on the Transport Protocol and the project findings?
- How many?
- Which kind of concrete actions and results government can pledge to do and implement ?
- Feasible Timeframe

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