



What is LANDCARE EUROPE?

Online information session 16 November 2022 | 2 – 4:30 pm CEST

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LANDCARE EUROPE

Agenda 16 November 2022

- **14:00** **Opening address** by Maria Noichl, Member of the European Parliament & Chair of Landcare Germany (DVL)
- **14:15** **Welcome** by Jérémie Crespin, European Commission, DG Environment, Nature Conservation Unit (ENV.D.3)
- **14:25** **Objectives & mission** by Sylvie Rockel, Landcare Europe coordinator
- **14:45** **Experiences from the founding partners**
- **15:10** **Upcoming activities & how to join**
- **15:20** **Q&A** with Landcare Europe Secretariat & founding partners
Open Discussion (active participation desired)



Why another network?



Missing link - connection between

- farmers & farmer unions
- land users
- local communities,
- nature conservation,
- political authorities & decision makers

Conservation

Agriculture



Working areas of Landcare organisations

-  **1 Bringing together stakeholders**
-  **2 Raising public awareness**
-  **3 Regenerating habitats**
-  **4 Sharing good agri-environmental practices**

We work with farmers on...

- **...a voluntary basis & at eye-level**
- ...implementing agri-environmental measures within the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP)
- ...using good practices that foster species protection & habitat restoration
- ...new income sources for agricultural value chains
- ...livestock protection measures in rural areas for better human-wildlife coexistence



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The farmers we work with...

- ... cultivate grasslands, farmland, wetlands and special crops
- ... in a conventional or non-conventional manner
- ... on farms stretching from <1 ha to >1.000 ha
- ... on private, public and communal land
- ... as family or agri-businesses

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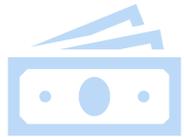
Landcare organisations in numbers

Results from a survey on the 8 founding partners (survey Nov 2021)



Cooperation with 34 countries on 5 continents

Over **2000 employees**



Securing income & employment in rural areas

Farm land management from **1 ha ... 1000 ha**



75% conventional farmers

Over **100,000 consultations** of farmers, citizens and politicians



What is **LANDCARE EUROPE**?

The network that brings together **agriculture, nature conservation and communities** for biodiversity, resilient ecosystems and quality of life in our **European cultural heritage landscapes**.



Our objectives

Exchange 

On key factors for
successful cooperative nature conservation

Engage 

With EU politics

Expand 

To all European countries



LANDCARE EUROPE activities

1 Promoting Landcare as effective and necessary cooperative link between nature conservation, agriculture and communities.

2 Exchanging knowledge & best practices beyond borders to better implement EU environmental targets within an agricultural context.

3 Supporting activities of national Landcare organisations and the creation of new organisations.

4 Consulting of policy makers and supporting the national implementation of EU policies & strategies.



We contribute to EU objectives

● Habitats, Birds & Water Framework Directives

● European Green Deal 2050

- EU Biodiversity Strategy 2030
- EU Soil Strategy 2030
- Nature Restoration Law
- Farm-to-Fork Strategy
- EU Climate Adaptation Strategy

**Common
Agricultural
Policy (CAP)**



LANDCARE EUROPE – Timeline

First exchanges

2007-2017

Scotland, Poland, Spain, Italy,
Romania, Ireland, ...



EU Support

2021



April 2022
Italy



July 2022
Romania



Sept 2022
Online



Seminal Conference

2017

Presentation of network
idea at EU level



Workshops & Webinars

2022/2023

Exchange on key factors for successful
cooperation



8 Founding Partners



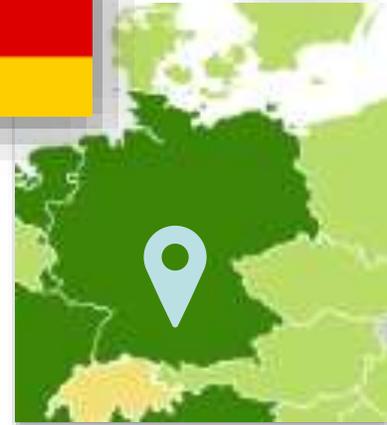
Legend
Landcare Europe founding partners
Collaborations
EU
Non-EU



Deutscher Verband für Landschaftspflege (DVL)



- 1986** 1st regional Landcare association (LCA)
- 1993** Landcare Germany (DVL)
- 2022** 190 regional LCAs
230 members



Ansbach, Bavaria,
Germany

Working areas:

- **Advocacy:** represent regional LCAs at federal, national & EU level
- **EU & national policies:** Common Agricultural Policy (CAP), Natura 2000, Biodiversity Strategy & Water Framework Directive (WFD)
- **Knowledge exchange platform** for experts & practitioners



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DVL themes & activities



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Biodiversity on mountain & fallow meadows

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Collective approach

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Extensive grazing

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Large carnivore management

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Public good bonus

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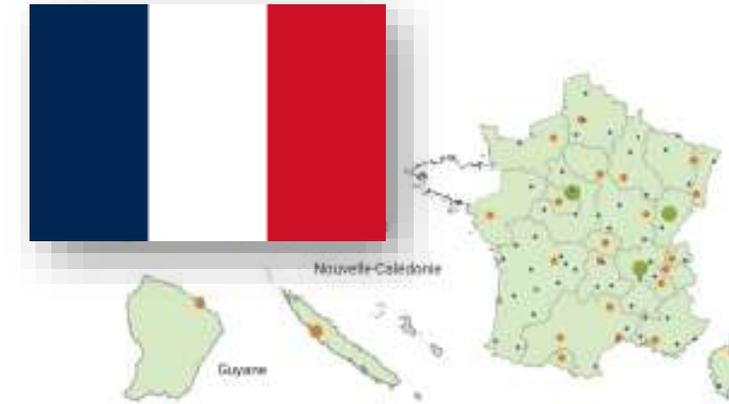
Fédération des Conservatoires d'espaces naturels (FCEN)



1976 1st regional Natural Areas Conservancies (CEN)

1989 **FCEN**

2022 **24 regional CEN**
Network of 1,000 agents and 8,000 volunteers



<https://reseau-cen.org/fr>

WORKING AREAS:

- Natural areas protection & management : 4,100 sites ; 270,000 ha
- Knowledge platform: inventories, management programs, exchange platforms...
- Education: 6 million visits, 3500 activities & trainings, publications
- Territorial dialogue and public policies

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KNOWING



Purchase land



RAISING AWARENESS



Themes & activities



Animation of agro-environmental measures



wetlands technical assistance



BOERENNATUUR

Dutch umbrella organisation **since 2015**
with **40 collectives** and **11.000 farmers**

WORKING
AREAS:

- **Preserve** farmland landscape
- **Connect** & inspire farmer collectives
- **Represent** interests of farmer collectives
- **Cooperate** with national government, provinces, farmers union, research institutes, water authorities etc.
- Platform for **knowledge exchange**
- **Educate** on nature-inclusive agriculture
- Define **key performance indicators**



Regionen		
1. Collectief van de West	15. Veldhoek	31. Alkmaar/Waaseveld
2. WAMN Dordrecht	17. Rijnland	32. Huisdijk
3. ANCO	18. Nulwis	33. Zuidelijke Alkmaar
4. Agrarische Unie/Drecht	19. Noord-Island Zuid	34. Zuidelijke Alkmaar (West)
5. Veldhoek	20. Waterland en Oost	35. Midden-Alkmaar
6. Waalre	21. Heide Noord	36. Oost-Alkmaar
7. Veninge	22. De Looze	37. Alkmaar (West)
8. Sekeveld	23. Culler (West)	38. Oost-Alkmaar
9. Huisdijk	24. Culler (Oost)	39. Alkmaar (Oost)
10. IJLW	25. De Westerveld	40. Oost-Alkmaar
11. Noordoostelijke Alkmaar	26. AOW Loosdrecht	
12. Noordoostelijke Alkmaar	27. Rijn & Oost-Alkmaar	
13. Noordoostelijke Alkmaar	28. De Oosterveld	
14. Midden-Alkmaar	29. De Oosterveld	
16. Noordoostelijke Alkmaar	30. Alkmaar (Oost)	



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Open grassland landscapes



Habitat networks (wet & wooded)



Open arable landscapes



Climate



64 target species



Knowledge exchange



Naturschutzsyndikat SICONA

Syndicat intercommunal pour la conservation de la nature



Association of 43 municipalities

1989 SICONA Sud-Ouest

1999 SICONA Centre

Location: Olm,
Luxembourg



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<https://www.bbc.com/news/world-europe-17548470>



Themes & activities



- Conserving **biodiversity** & **landscapes**
- Implement **conservation work** on behalf of the member municipalities on public and private land
- Fulfilling the missions of the members according to the **national Nature Protection Act**
- **Counseling** members & farmers on nature & landscape protection
- **Raising public awareness** on nature protection



Trashumancia y Naturaleza (TyN)

(Transhumance and Nature)



WORKING AREAS:

- **Support to transhumant herders:** equipment, logistics, advice & mediation with authorities during summer & winter transhumant routes.
- **Policy and advocacy:** in favour of extensive grazing & HNVF systems in the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) at EU, national, regional & local level.
- **Rural development:** Support of pastoral products (including wool)
- **Creation of alliances on related topics,** for impact increasing, knowledge exchange and implementing projects.

Cantabria & Madrid
Spain



Founded 1997

<https://trashumanciaynaturaleza.org/>



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Themes & activities



Support to transhumant herders



Policy and advocacy



Rural development



Creation of alliances

LEGAMBIENTE LOMBARDIA



Regional umbrella organisation >80 local groups & 5.000 members

1980 Legambiente Lombardia is the regional branch of Legambiente, the most widespread environmental non-profit association in Italy for more than 40 years

Main focus:

- Protection & restoration: natural areas & biodiversity
- Efficient use of natural resources
- Sustainable territorial development

Our actions:

- Citizens' engagement with specific campaigns
- Project development at regional, national and international level;
- Advocacy at regional level with public and private institutions.



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Location:
Milan, Lombardy, Italy



l'inquinamento atmosferico miete più vittime in Italia che negli altri paesi europei

Secondo le ultime stime dell'EEA (Agenzia europea per l'ambiente), il 17% dei morti per inquinamento in Europa è italiano (uno su sei).



LEGAMBIENTE LOMBARDIA



Il futuro delle nostre città è una foresta.

Camminiamo, insieme e felici, associandoci, un passo alla volta, operatori per cambiare la natura delle nostre città.

da sabato 5 a domenica 27 novembre 2022

www.legambiente.it

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Logo of Legambiente and ERS F AN LOMBARDIA.

Agri-Cultura-Natura Transylvaniae Association (ACNT)



Small NGO with a significant regional and international outreach

Foundation: 1989 Pogány-havas Regional Association
2006 ACNT to continue projects of Pogány-havas

Working areas:

- Farm advisory
- Rural built heritage
- Nature conservation



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Csíkdelne Harghita,
Romania

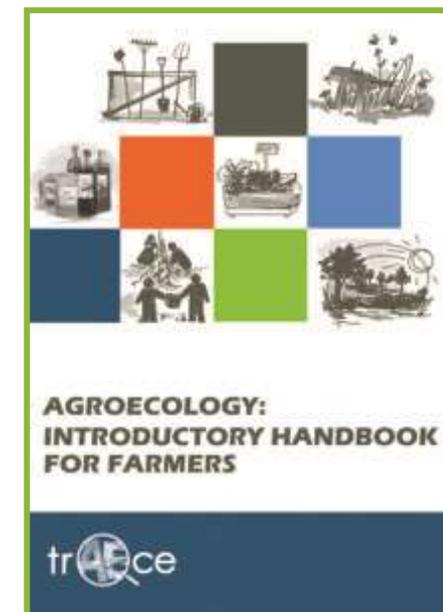


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Farm advisory and training

- working with more than 200 small organic farmers
- developing an agroecology training material for farmers – downloadable from www.traece.eu

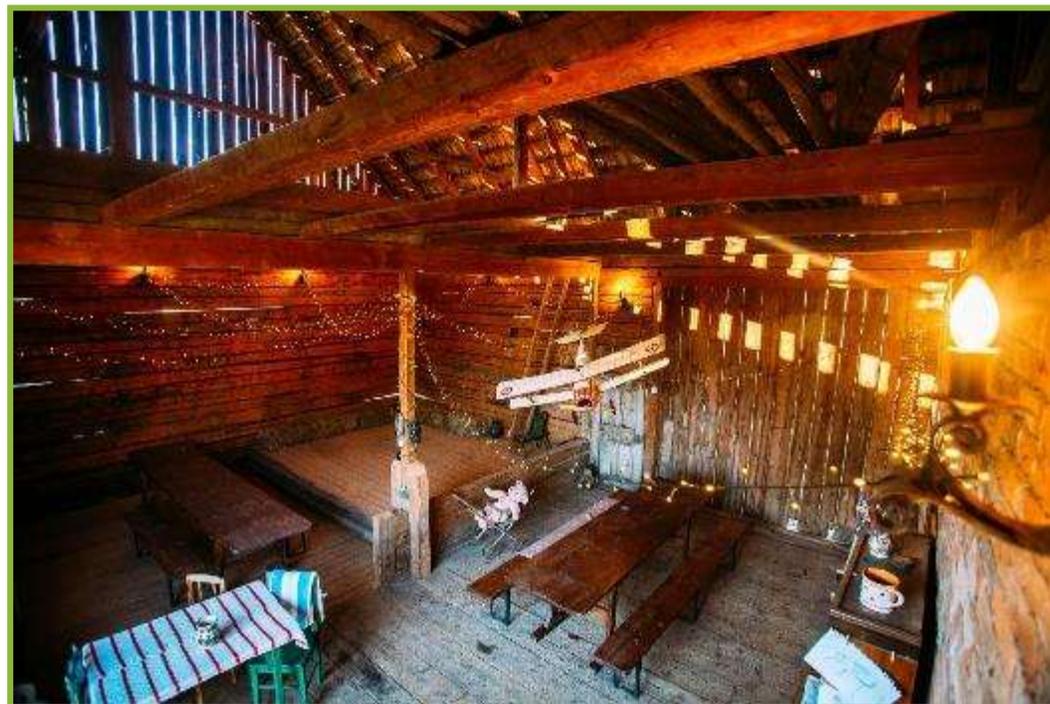
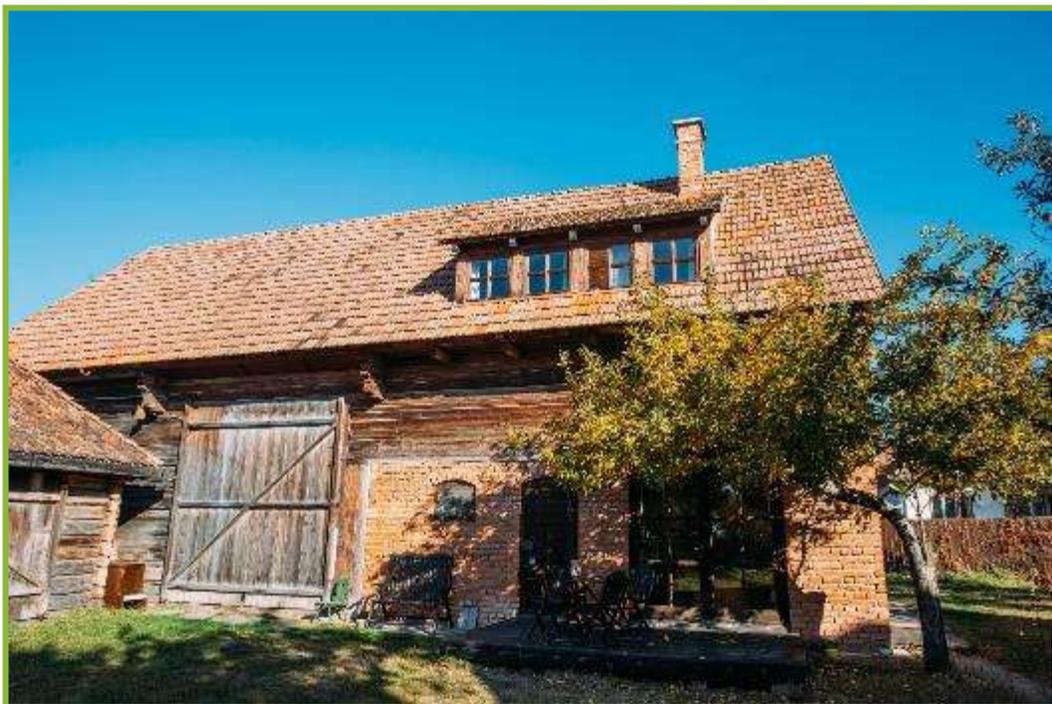


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Rural built heritage

- renovating and repurposing old barns – upcoming project funded by Creative Europe

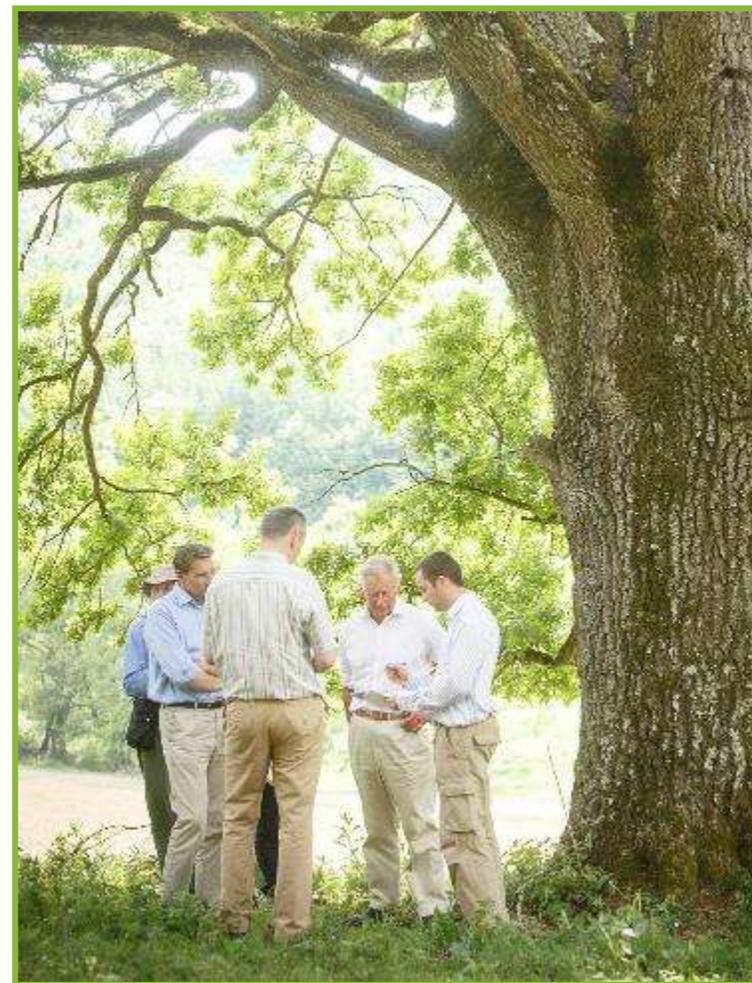
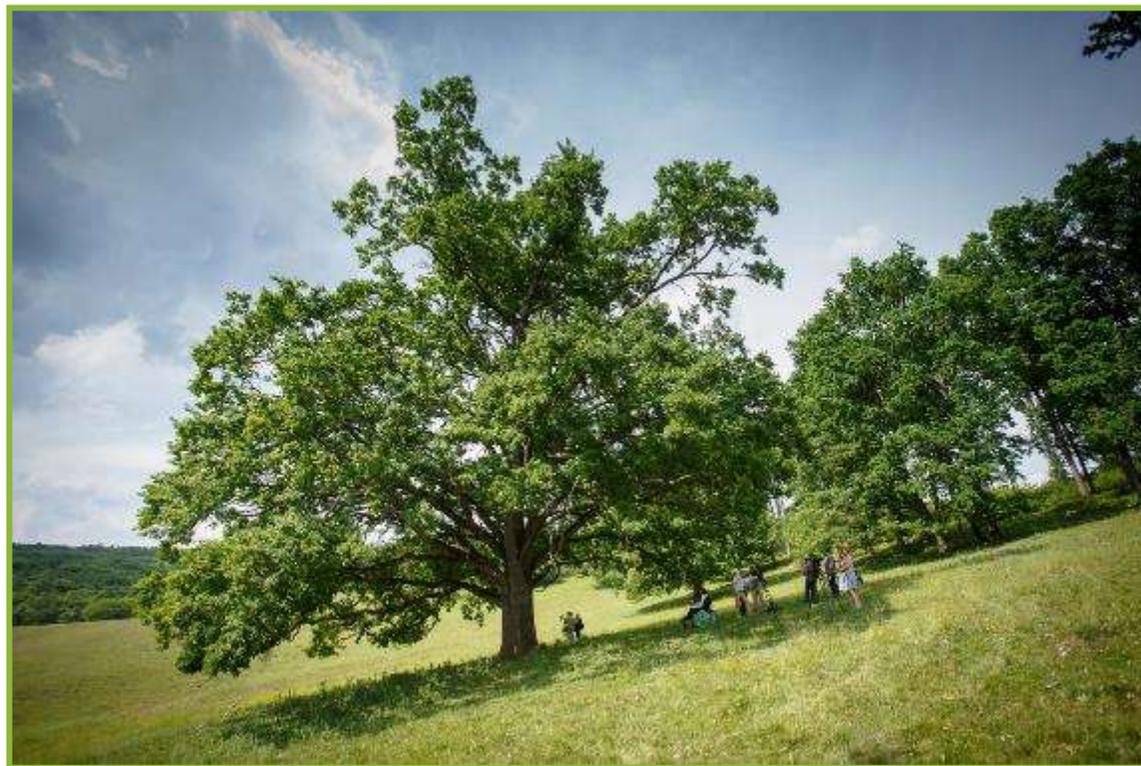


Agri-Cultura-Natura Transylvaniae Association



Nature conservation

- Remarkable Trees of Romania
www.arboriremarcabili.ro





Baltijos aplinkos forumas

Baltic environmental forum



We seek to protect our planet not from people, but together with them

- Established in 2003;
- Working areas:
 - Biodiversity protection;
 - Agri-environmental measures and CAP;
 - Public awareness raising and advocacy;
 - Water resources;
 - Chemical substances;
 - Social responsibility.

People we work with:

- ❖ Farmers;
- ❖ Ministries and municipalities;
- ❖ Politicians;
- ❖ General public;
- ❖ Kids;



Crazy people doing crazy things :)





Translocation of Aquatic Warbler:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLh66DQImkQsZbZcYl6D22s5XlxmXWB1Tu>

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Upcoming Landcare Europe events 2023

Workshop



Lithuania – Nemunas Delta

Innovative approaches to promote species & habitat restoration in & outside Natura 2000 areas

18 – 20 April 2023

Conference



Spain – Andalucía

Increasing economic viability by biodiversity in & outside Natura 2000 areas

7 – 9 March 2023

Workshop



European Parliament,
Brussels

**Outlook for
Landcare in Europe
6 June 2023 (tbc)**

Please register: <https://tinyurl.com/landcare-europe-activities>





Spain – Andalucía **7 – 9 March 2023**
"Increasing economic viability
by biodiversity in & outside Natura 2000 áreas"



 **TRASHUMANCIA
Y NATURALEZA**



Jaén: Land of olive trees

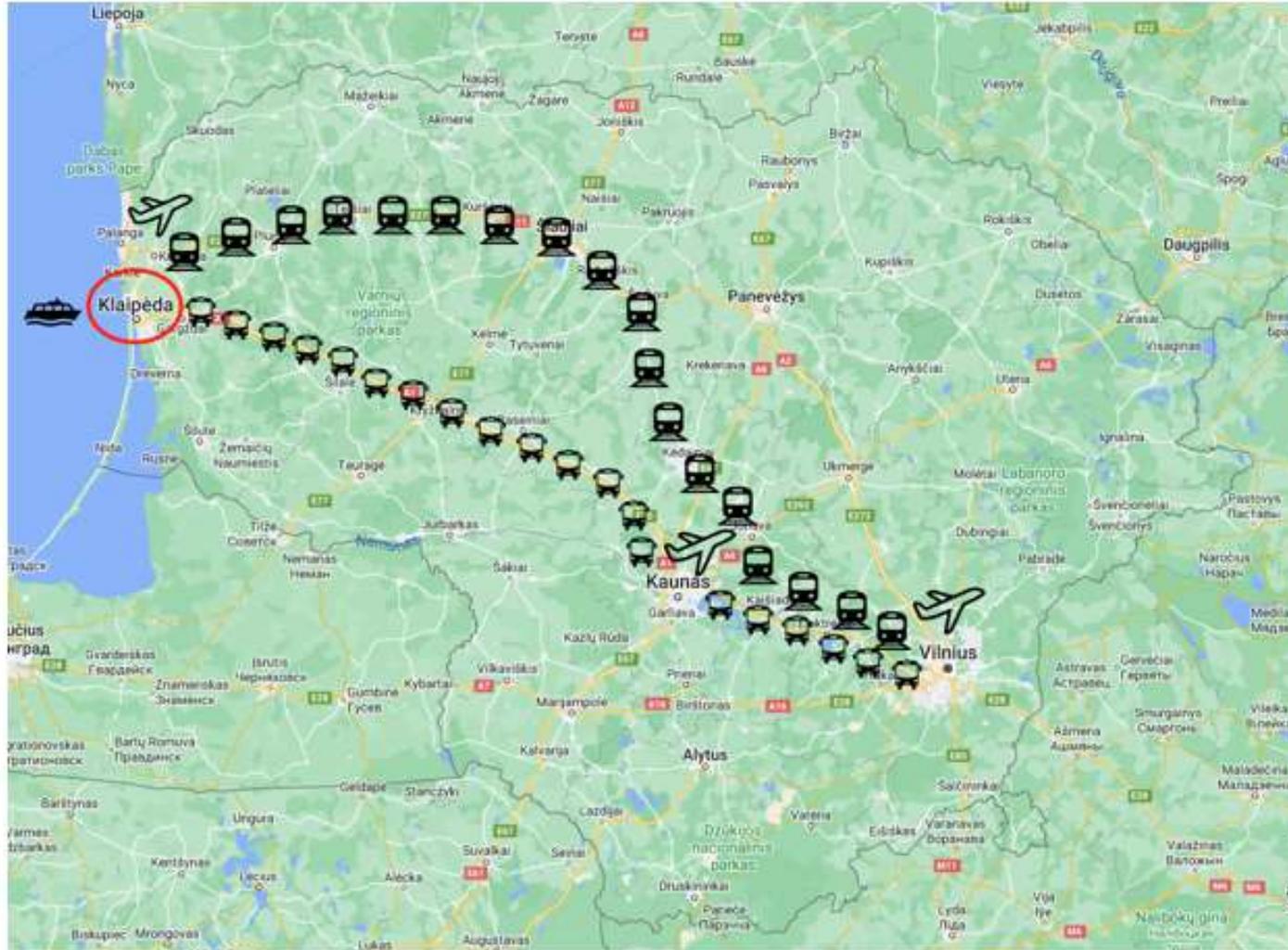


Workshop in Lithuania 18-20 April 2023

Innovative approaches for species & habitat
restoration with farmers in & outside Natura
2000 areas



Travelling to Lithuania and the WS location



Field trip: meeting farmers and visiting restored habitats



Field trip: pelleting facility





Field trip: Aukštumala raised bog



Field trip: Ventè cape ornithological station



See you in Lithuania!

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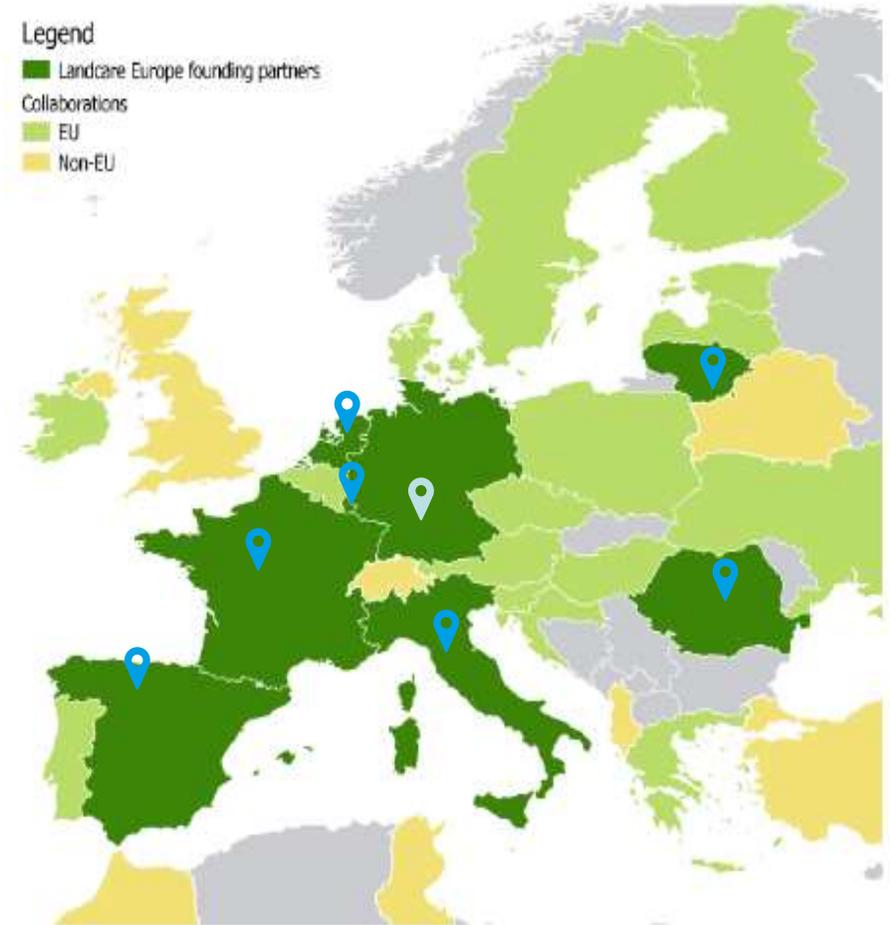


Goal: Expand to all European countries



Legend

- Landcare Europe founding partners
- Collaborations
- EU
- Non-EU



Why join?

Membership...

- ...is **voluntary & reversible**
- ...**involvement is flexible** – different status available.
- ...provides **representation at EU level**
- ...allows remaining **independency** in activities.

Open to all non-governmental (NGOs) & non-profit organisations, who can identify with the Landcare approach and our objectives.



How to join?

Active engagement



Building & growing network



Letter of intent

Signed by CEO

Following



Knowledge exchange



Mailing list

Questions?

