LOCAL ACTIONS – WP T2

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Pilot Area actions (WP T2)

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SaveGREEN aims to demonstrate ways of designing appropriate mitigation measures and maintaining or improving the functionality of ecological corridors through integrated planning.

What?

The main objective of WP T2:

- to secure ecological connectivity
- through developing and implementing concrete mitigation measures
- by addressing a multitude of sectors: transport, agriculture, forestry, water management, hunting, spatial planning etc.

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How?

Participatory development of 7 Cross-Sectoral Operational Plans (CSOPs) for ecological corridors' functionality

&

Partial implementation of the CSOPs during the project duration

in Pilot Areas.

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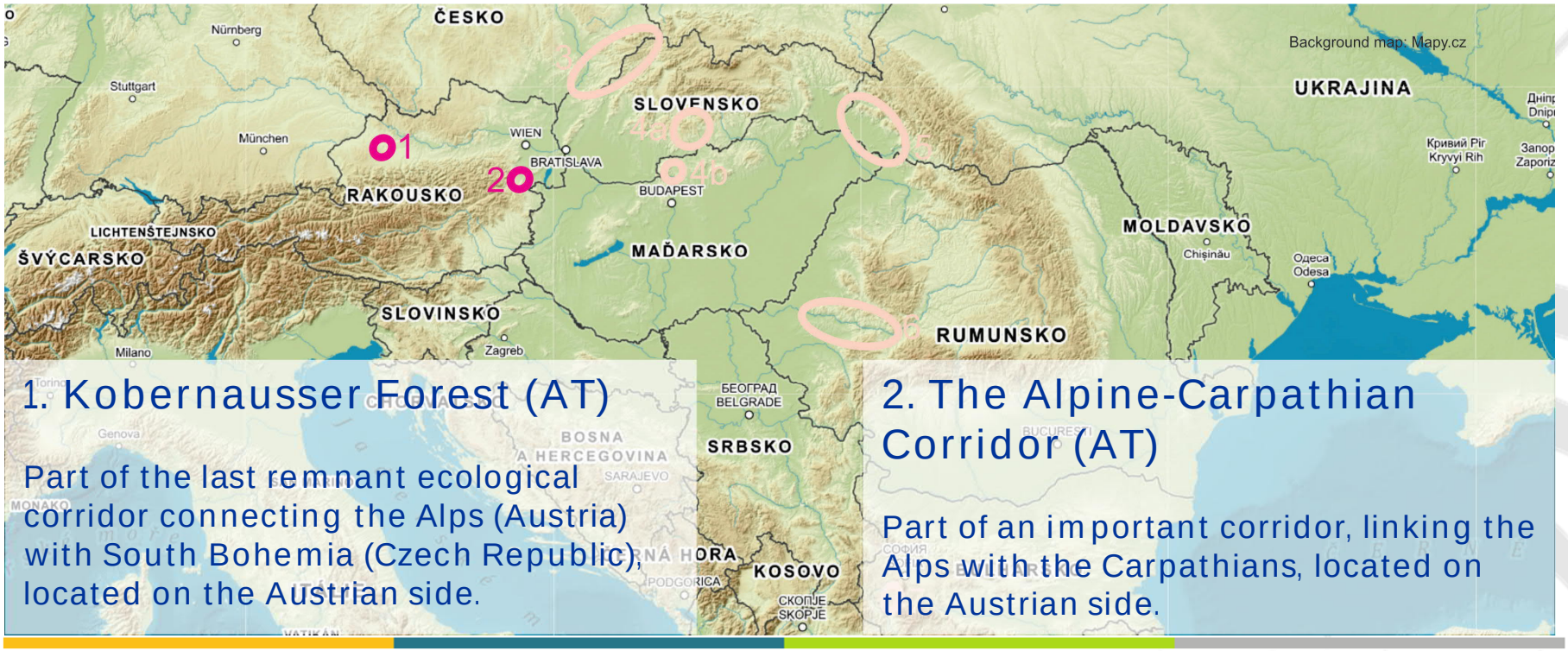

1. Kobernausser Forest (AT)

Part of the last remnant ecological corridor connecting the Alps (Austria) with South Bohemia (Czech Republic), located on the Austrian side.

2. The Alpine-Carpathian Corridor (AT)

Part of an important corridor, linking the Alps with the Carpathians, located on the Austrian side.

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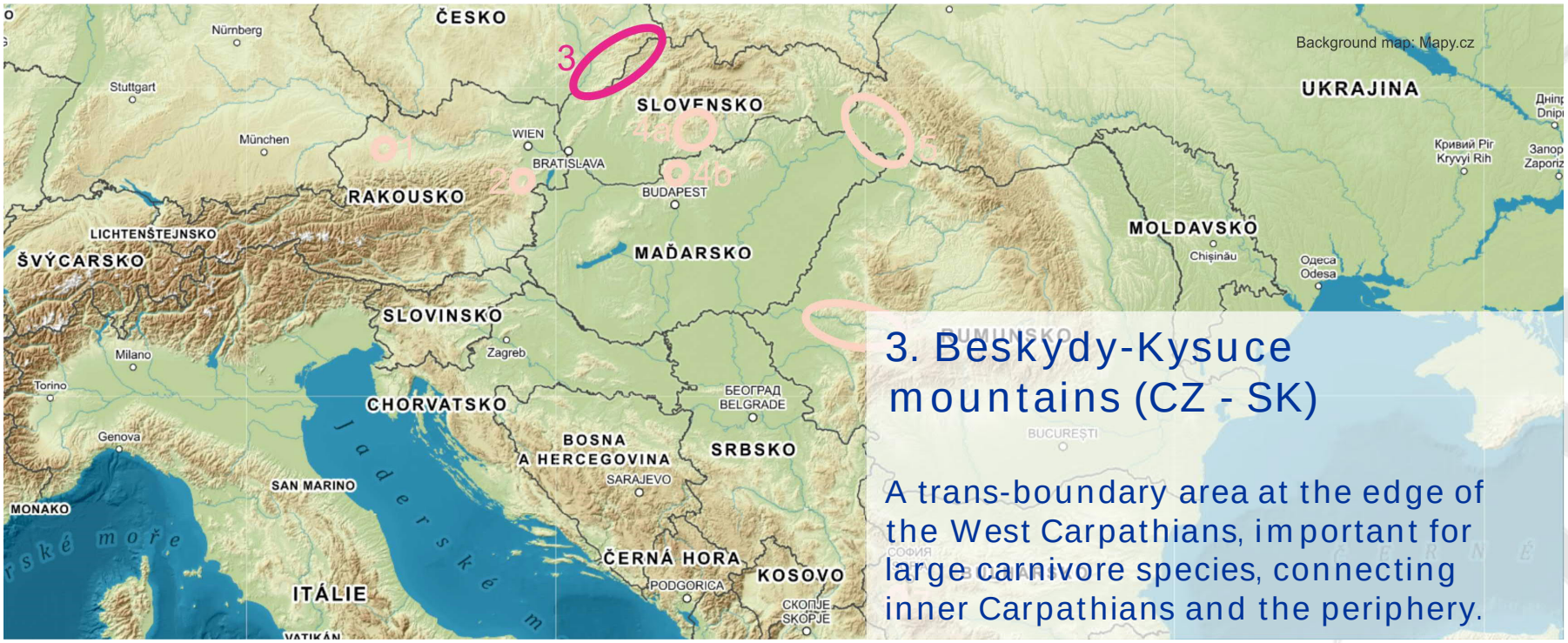

3. Beskydy-Kysuce mountains (CZ - SK)

A trans-boundary area at the edge of the West Carpathians, important for large carnivore species, connecting inner Carpathians and the periphery.

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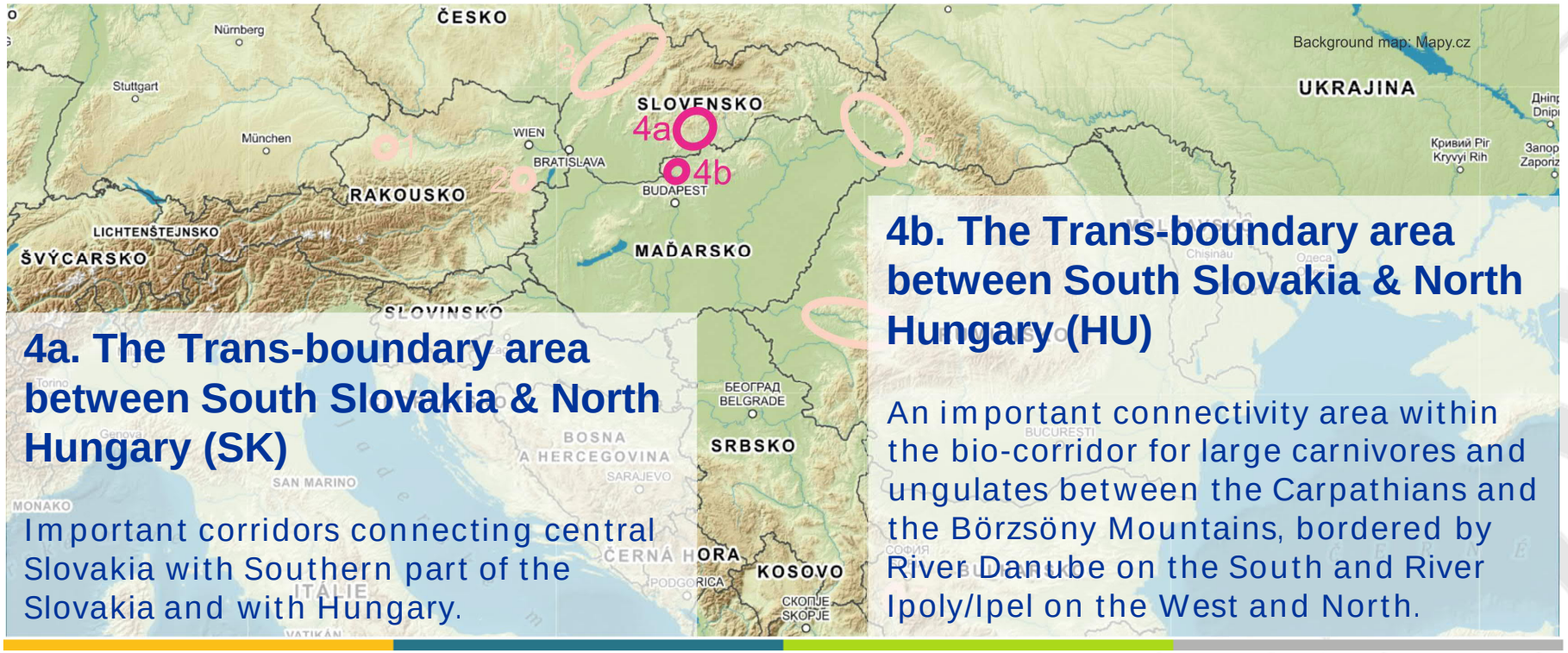

4a. The Trans-boundary area between South Slovakia & North Hungary (SK)

Important corridors connecting central Slovakia with Southern part of the Slovakia and with Hungary.

4b. The Trans-boundary area between South Slovakia & North Hungary (HU)

An important connectivity area within the bio-corridor for large carnivores and ungulates between the Carpathians and the Börzsöny Mountains, bordered by River Danube on the South and River Ipoly/Ipel on the West and North.

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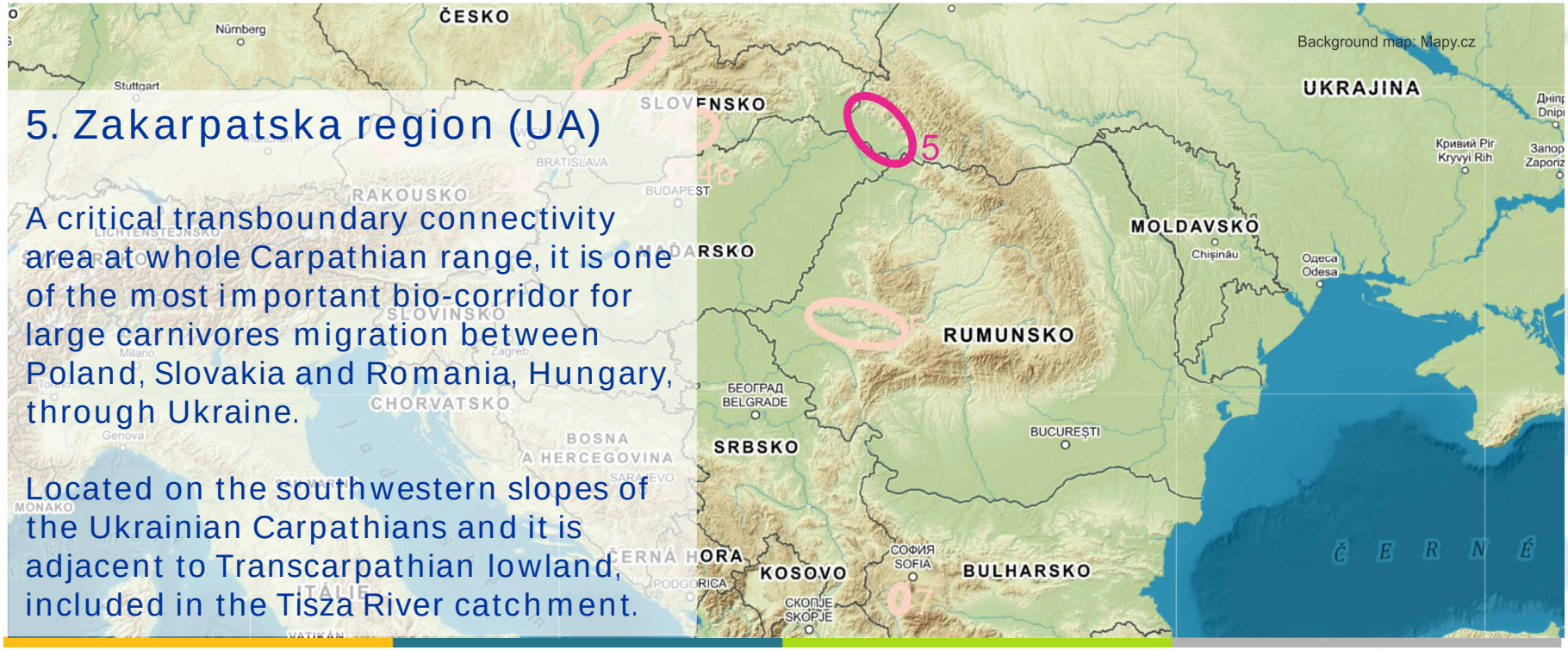

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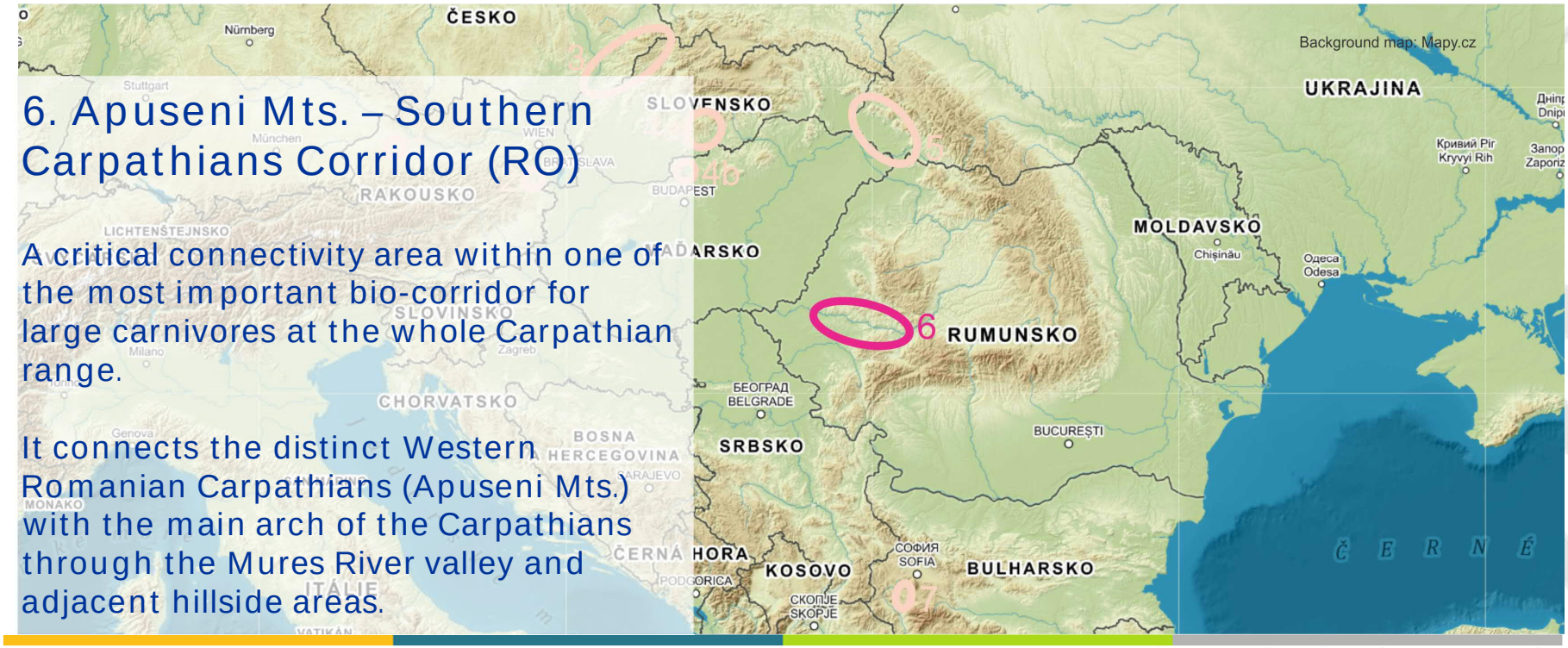

6. Apuseni Mts. – Southern Carpathians Corridor (RO)

A critical connectivity area within one of the most important bio-corridor for large carnivores at the whole Carpathian range.

It connects the distinct Western Romanian Carpathians (Apuseni Mts.) with the main arch of the Carpathians through the Mures River valley and adjacent hillside areas.

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7. Struma valley (BG)

An important area for ecological connectivity between the mountain massifs throughout Southwestern Bulgaria, includes 3 main ecological corridors and several local corridors.

Important also at regional level as it increases migration opportunities on key bio-corridors between Bulgaria and Serbia, and between Bulgaria and Northern Macedonia.

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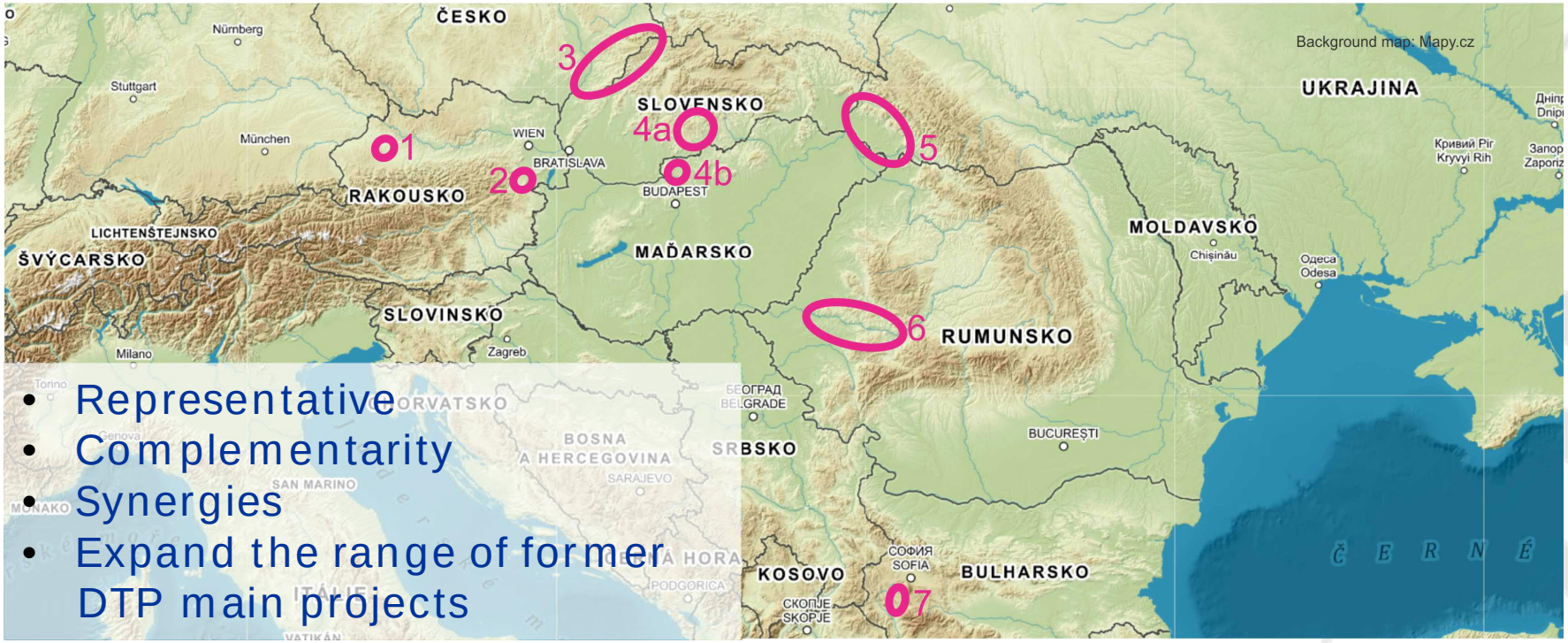

- Representative
- Complementarity
- Synergies
- Expand the range of former DTP main projects

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WP T2 - Outputs & Activities

Outputs

T2.1	Transnational technical experience exchange workshops
T2.2	Local Cross-Sectoral Operational Plans Including concrete measures to safeguard, enhance, restore functionality of ecological connectivity in the pilot areas
T2.3	Preparatory actions for implementing Local Cross-Sectoral Operational Plans

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WP T2 - Outputs & Activities

Activities & deliverables

Activity	Deliverable
1. Engage and cooperate with relevant stakeholders for the specific pilot area	2.1. Stakeholder analysis of each pilot area
	1.2. Meetings with local working groups and other relevant stakeholders

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Activities & deliverables

Activity	Deliverable
2. Develop cross-sectoral operational plans to safeguard functionality of ecological corridors in the pilot areas	2.1. Multi-sectoral online datasets for the pilot areas
	2.2. On-line library of multi-sectoral solutions for ensuring functionality of ecological corridors
	2.3. Local monitoring plans as an integral part of the local cross-sectoral operational plans
	2.4. Draft local cross-sectoral operational plans

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Activities & deliverables

Activity	Deliverable
3. Implement selected actions of the local cross-sectoral operational plans	3.1. Report on testing the application toolbox and the standardised monitoring methodology
	3.2. Monitoring reports and GIS database

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WP T2 – Actions and complementarities with other WPs

- identify specific issues related with bio-corridor management;
- effectively engage with stakeholders & set-up local working groups;
- develop local database: multi-sectoral on-line data sets & on-line library of multi-sectoral solutions.

WP T1

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WP T2 – Actions and complementarities with other WPs

- identify, test and use the monitoring tools; — WP T1
- develop local monitoring plans and implement monitoring activities; — WP T1
- identify the needs for, and facilitate the local capacity-building programme; — WP T1
- organize transnational workshops - know-how exchange activities / learning by doing. — WP T1

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WP T2 – Actions and complementarities with other WPs

- participatory development the Cross-Sectoral Operational Plans) for bio-corridor functionality;
- demonstrate / test/ implement concrete measures of bio-corridor management during the project duration; — WP T1
- support with concrete examples the development of the Handbook on best practices; — WP T1
- Relevant gaps, to inform the policy activities. — WP T3

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WP T2 – Actions and complementarities with other WPs

- develop local communication plans and implement communication activities.

WP C

Local Cross-Sect. Op. Plans

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2. Local cross-sectoral operational plans (CSOPs)

Why?

The main problem:
Lack of integrated management

The Local CSOPs will be the main concrete immediate response to threats to connectivity and the basis for implementation of practical measures.

Local Cross-Sect. Op. Plans

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What?

A common logical framework
facilitates the logical path from pressures / threats > actions.

Based on data & exchange of know-how

Cross-sectoral GIS database compiled for each PA (Deliverable).

Library of resources (Deliverable): good (and bad) practices.

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How it will be developed?

Participatory manner - stakeholders from all relevant sectors, by local working groups (stakeholders, experts and PPs).

The final versions of the CSOPs will be developed with contributions derived from the transnational workshops.

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Sustainability?

Stakeholders' Ownership
- Integration in sectoral plans
- Log-frame for sectoral projects & collaborations

The process is important!
- Examples of successes / gaps > targets for the policy activities
- Networking
- Local capacity building

It is long-term endeavor...

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Structure

Logical Frame > Main goal
Safeguard, enhance or restore functionality of ecological connectivity in the PA

What we want to address? = Pressures & threats

What we want to achieve? = Specific objectives to address P&T

Who is impacted / interested? = Sectors & Stakeholders

Who is responsible / could contribute? = Main actors

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What we should do? = Actions (& maintenance)

How we will do it? = Tools, methodologies, standard procedures, ...

Where we will do it? = Locations

When we do it? = Calendar

How we measure success? = Indicators & how we monitor them

What is needed? = Resources (needed vs existing)

How important it is? = Relative priorities

Anything else? = Comments / feedback

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A Proposed Structure > TBD!

1. Pressures & threats
2. Specific objectives to address P&T
3. Sectors & Stakeholders
4. Main actors
5. Actions (& maintenance)
6. Tools, methodologies, ...
7. Locations
8. Calendar
9. Indicators & monitoring
10. Resources
11. Relative priorities
12. Comments / feedback

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Examples of …

1. Pressures & threats
2. Specific objectives
3. Sectors & Stakeholders

… Arad-Deva (RO) *SEPARATE TABLE*

Stakeholders' involvement

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3. Stakeholders' involvement

The whole SaveGREEN project concept is built around the participatory engagement of target groups and representatives of relevant stakeholders throughout the project!

Who are they?
What are their interests & needs re. project?
How to engage efficiently?
How to communicate / manage conflicts?
How to built trust?

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Stakeholder analysis (deliverable / October 2020!)

- Synthetic & live annex to local CSOPs = Stakeholder Register
- Common structure
- Based on TRANSGREEN, ConnectGREEN, HARMON,… experience

Examples & References

- Protected area management
- Transport!

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A Global Strategy for Ecologically Sustainable Transport and other Linear Infrastructure

Georgiadis L (Coord), 2020. A Global Strategy for Ecologically Sustainable Transport and other Linear Infrastructure. IENE, ICOET, ANET, ACLIE, WWF, IUCN, Paris, France

Aim and objectives of the Global Strategy

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(4) Promoting multi-sector cooperation

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The process:

Stage 1: Scoping and mapping of stakeholders

Stage 2: Assessing, analyzing and prioritizing stakeholders

Stage 3. Understanding the role of the Stakeholders

- Informative
- Consultancy
- Involvement
- Fundamentally collaborated

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The Action Plan with four distinct levels of governance for stakeholder type (< *HARMON, 2019*), namely:

- Policy and strategy;
- Planning and environmental impact assessment;
- Implementation and management and,
- Level of education, awareness, consultation, and communication.

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These levels of governance are further split into four administrative levels:

- International;
- Continental/Regional;
- National, and
- Local (including states, counties, regions and/or provinces).

... Try to implement the Strategy?

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Constant engagement!

Local working groups > development of CSOPs
Transnational workshops

Data exchange

Test, use the tools

Implement the concrete actions (monitoring, …)

Needs & resources > know-how exchange, networking, capacity building, communication

Transnational workshops

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4. Transnational workshops

5 workshops for AT-CZ, HU-SK, RO, BG, and UA, by 06.20200
+ IENE International Conference (09.2022 - Cluj Napoca, RO)

Local working groups > finalize the CSOPs

PP's repres., & international experts

"think globally, act locally"

Highly efficient
Learning by doing & networking
Preparation!

Next steps & Open discussion

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5. Next steps & Open discussion

Pilot area description & Pilot area assessment

Draft (theoretical) local CSOPs –

Threats>Objectives>Stakeholders

Stakeholder analysis, potential local working groups

CSOPs – monitoring needs <> WP T1

Data base structure

On-line Library structure

Q&A, Wrap up

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