

AT-CZ Transnational workshop

Date: 31 May – 2 June 2022

Team: Friends of the Earth Czech Republic, Transport Research Centre Czech Republic, Environment Agency Austria, WWF Central and Eastern Europe

Purpose of the transnational workshop

- Introduction of the pilot area and its problems, national circumstances
- Share and discuss the draft cross-sectoral operational plans with an international audience with the aim of sharing experience across borders and elaborate robust measures for the respective pilot area.
- For a better understanding of problems in the area, a field trip to the area/ bottleneck areas is planned
- Discussion on stakeholder involvement
- Recommendations for the improvement of the CSOP
- Preliminary conclusions & lessons learnt for our work in the pilot area

Location: Alpine-Carpathian Corridor, Austria (near Vienna) and Beskydy Mountains, Czech Republic

Target groups

- Pilot area leaders
- At least one representative of each SaveGREEN pilot area
- At least one representative of the local working group (representative of authorities, SaveGREEN Associated Strategic Partners, etc.)
- Experts from the national and international level (e.g. representatives IENE network, BISON project consortium)

Programme

Workshop part I: Austria

Date	What	Comments
30 May 2022		
18.00	Arrival of participants at Hotel Altes Kloster/ Kulturfabrik Hainburg, Austria	Easy to reach from the East and by public transport, even from the airport
19.00	Casual dinner, get together	Hotel Altes Kloster Kulturfabrik
31 May 2022		
9.00	Arrival of participants, registration	Kulturfabrik Hainburg
9.30 – 9.45	Welcome & intro to SaveGREEN and the workshop	Moderation: Hildegard Meyer, WWF-CEE
9.45 – 10.05	Ecological connectivity in Austria – activities, legal status and future trends Presentation including Q&A	Florian Danzinger, Environment Agency Austria
10.05 – 10.25	The Alpine-Carpathian corridor – intro to the region & former activities with regard to ecological connectivity Presentation including Q&A	Franz Suppan BOKU
10.25 – 10.45	Embedding green bridges into the surroundings – attempts of the Austrian National Motorway Company Presentation including Q&A	Alexandra Medl, ASFINAG
10.45 – 11.10	Coffee break	

11.10 – 11.40	<p>The SaveGREEN approach – preliminary solutions for the region</p> <p>Presentation of monitoring plans, results and possible solutions</p>	<p>Roland Grillmayer, Environment Agency Austria</p> <p>Mořic Jurečka, Project field biologist</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is our intention to reach in the region: expected results of the project • Tools developed – standardized methodology for monitoring structural and functional connectivity • Presentation of monitoring set-up and preliminary results, also from former projects • Preliminary recommendations for bottleneck areas <p>Discussion</p>	
11.40 – 12.00	<p>Stakeholder engagement in the region</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stakeholders are key! Who are our stakeholders? How do we approach them? Exchange of experience & lessons learnt 	<p>Hildegard Meyer & Christophe Janz, WWF Central and Eastern Europe</p>
12.00 – 12.30	<p>Moderated discussion, exchange of experience & conclusions</p>	<p>Christophe Janz & Hildegard Meyer, WWF-CEE</p>
12.30 – 13.30	<p>Lunch break</p>	<p>Kulturfabrik Hainburg</p>
13.45 – 15.00	<p><u>Field trip</u></p> <p>Trip to Hainburg – Green bridge Pöttsching (~ 80km) 1h 15'</p>	<p>All together by bus</p>

15:00 – 15.45	<p><u>Visit Green bridge Pöttsching</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Info about green bridges in Austria, their development, construction and monitoring • Monitoring including light and noise sensors, set up, planned activities 	<p>Thomas Lang, ASFINAG</p> <p>Mořic Jurečka, Project field biologist</p>
15:45 – 16:00	Trip Green bridge Pöttsching – Green bridge Müllendorf (~ 10km) 15'	
16:00 – 16:30	<p><u>Visit Green bridge Müllendorf</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Info about the specifics of this green bridge • Wildlife and corridors in the area 	<p>Thomas Lang, ASFINAG</p> <p>Mag. Michael Paller, Local hunting leader</p>
16:30	Return trip to Hainburg	
19:00-21.00	Dinner – “Zum goldenen Anker”	

Workshop part II: Czech Republic

1 June 2022		
9.00 – 12.30	Travel to Lidečko (Penzion Čertovy skály), Czech Republic, check in	
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch	
13.30 – 13.35	Welcome & introduction	Moderation: Radek Kříček, Friends of the Earth Czech Republic
13.35 – 14.00	<p>Pilot area overview</p> <p>Presentation including Q&A</p>	Miroslav Kutal, Friends of the Earth Czech Republic, Mendel University in Brno
14.00 – 14.30	<p>Methodology for environmental assessment of existing transport infrastructure</p> <p>Presentation including Q&A</p>	Petr Anděl, Technical University of Liberec, Evernia

14.30 – 15.00	New methodology "Traffic and Fauna in CZ" - recommendations for design of migration objects Presentation including Q&A	Václav Hlaváč, Nature Conservation Agency
15.00 – 15.15	Coffee break	
15.15 – 15.45	Connectivity & development of linear infrastructure in Slovakia Presentation including Q&A	Michal Králík, HBH Projekt
15.45 – 16.15	Mitigation of habitat fragmentation in protected Landscape Area of Beskydy Presentation including Q&A	Veronika Kornová, Nature Conservation Agency, CHKO Beskydy
16.15 – 16.35	Introduction to telemetry of Eurasian lynx Presentation including Q&A	Martin Duľa, Mendel University in Brno
18:00-19:00	Time reserve / short walk into the surroundings	
19.00-20:00	Dinner	
20.00-21.00	CSOP discussion	
2 June 2022		
9.00 – 12.30	Field trip focused on local connectivity issues & monitoring connectivity by telemetry	Michal Bojda, Friends of the Earth Czech Republic, Mendel University in Brno M. Duľa, Mendel University in Brno
12.30	Packed lunch	
14.00	Departure	