



**Транснаціональний семінар з обміну
досвідом (Захід Т.2.1)
Transnational experience exchange
workshop (Activity T.2.1)**

REPORT

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1. Event goals

One of the main goals of the meeting was to introduce the participants to the results of the SaveGREEN project achieved in Ukraine, important achievements and interesting facts. The pilot area and analysis of animal crossing sites in the Transcarpattia region were to be presented by project experts. Furthermore, the legal review of the EIA procedure for the construction and reconstruction of roads should be discussed. The meeting was to be held in an informative dialogue style.

2. Agenda

Date	Subject / activity	Responsible expert
11:00 – 11:10	<p>Welcoming words, purpose of the workshop. Presentation of participants.</p> <p>Вітальні слова, мета семінару. Презентація учасників.</p>	<p>Taras Yamelynets, Mariia Galaiko</p> <p>Тарас Ямелинець, Марія Галайко</p>
11:10 – 11:30	<p>SaveGreen Project presentation: main objectives, approaches and achievements.</p> <p>Презентація проєкту SaveGreen: основні завдання, підходи та досягнення.</p>	<p>Hildegard Meyer</p> <p>Хільдегард Мейер</p>
11:30 – 12:00	<p>Introduce the pilot area and results of animal crossing sites in the Transcarpatia region</p> <p>Ознайомлення із пілотною територією та результати моніторингу переходів для тварин на Закарпатті</p>	<p>Andriy-Taras Bashta,</p> <p>Андрій-Тарас Башта</p>
12:00 – 12:30	<p>The EIA procedure for the construction and reconstruction of roads: legal review and practical experience</p>	<p>Anatoliy Pavelko</p> <p>Анатолій Павелко</p>

	Процедура проведення ОВД при будівництві та реконструкції шляхів: юридичний огляд та практичний досвід	
12:30 – 13:00	Developed recommendations for post-war reconstruction of infrastructure (highways) in Ukraine. Рекомендації щодо післявоєнного відновлення інфраструктури (автодоріг) в Україні.	Svitlana Matus Світлана Матус
13:00 – 13:30	Conclusions/Discussion	Taras Yamelynets, Andriy-Taras Bashta, Anatoliy Pavelko, Suzanna Tymochko, Mariia Galaiko Тарас Ямелинець, Андрій-Тарас Башта, Анатолій Павелко, Сузанна Тимочко, Марія Галайко

3. Round table results and conclusions

The round table was organized online on the 30th of November 2022. In total, 30 people participated in the workshop. More than 20 different institutions were represented such as the Austrian Ministry for Transport, Innovation and Technology, CEEweb for Biodiversity, SWSFE Bulgaria, the Swedish Transport Administration, Friends of the Earth Czech Republic, the Transport Research Centre (CDV), EPC Environmental Consulting, Romania, the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, Lviv National Polytechnic University “Lvivska Politechnika”, Ivan Franko National University of Lviv, MINUARTIA, Institute of Evolutionary Ecology, WWF Ukraine, State enterprise "M.P. Shulgin State Road Research Institute", the NGO “Danube-Carpathian Programme”, Department of Ecology and Natural Resources of the Transcarpathian Military Administration, the

Carpathian Biosphere Reserve, the Institute of ecology of the Carpathians of NAS of Ukraine, WWF-Romania, and the NGO “Ecoclub Carpaty” etc.

During the international workshop, the obtained results of the project and important achievements were actively discussed by the Project coordinator and experts. Furthermore, the pilot area and an analysis of animal crossing sites in the Transcarpathia region were presented by project experts. Finally, the EIA procedure for the construction and reconstruction of roads was presented and recommendations for the post-war reconstruction of infrastructure (highways) in Ukraine were discussed.

The workshop was opened by Hildegard Meyer, lead coordinator of the SaveGREEN project, who introduced the SaveGREEN project for all participants that were new to the project and its work.

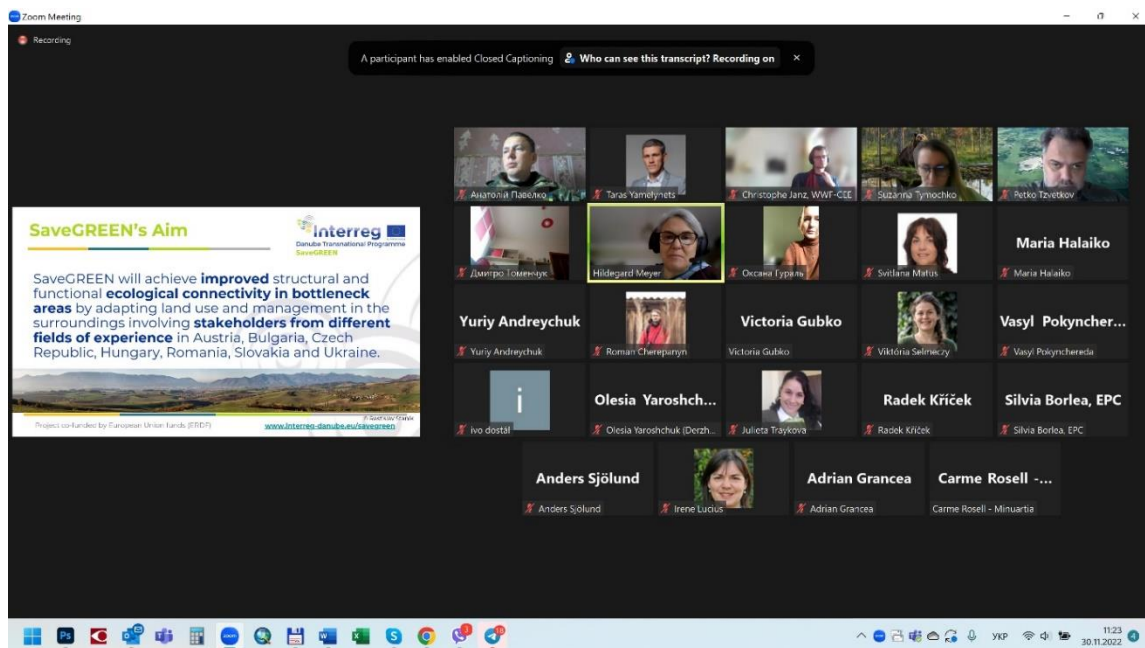


Image 1: Presentation by Hildegard Meyer, WWF-CEE

The second presentation was held by Anatoliy Pavelko, who talked about the particularities of environmental assessments for motorway construction in Ukraine. Mr. Pavelko noted that during the course of the project, the team closely

cooperated with the Ministries of the Environment and of Infrastructure while working on legislation regarding the permeability of transport infrastructure for wildlife. In the process, several suggestions for improvement were made by the SaveGREEN team.

Mr. Pavelko then described the main construction project which was analysed during the project, namely the construction of a motorway around the north of the city of Lviv. The project experts actively contributed to the EIA with their expertise. This was the first project of its nature in which they took the issue of ecological permeability into account – this was clearly due to the involvement of SaveGREEN. Until now, there were no similar projects in Ukraine.

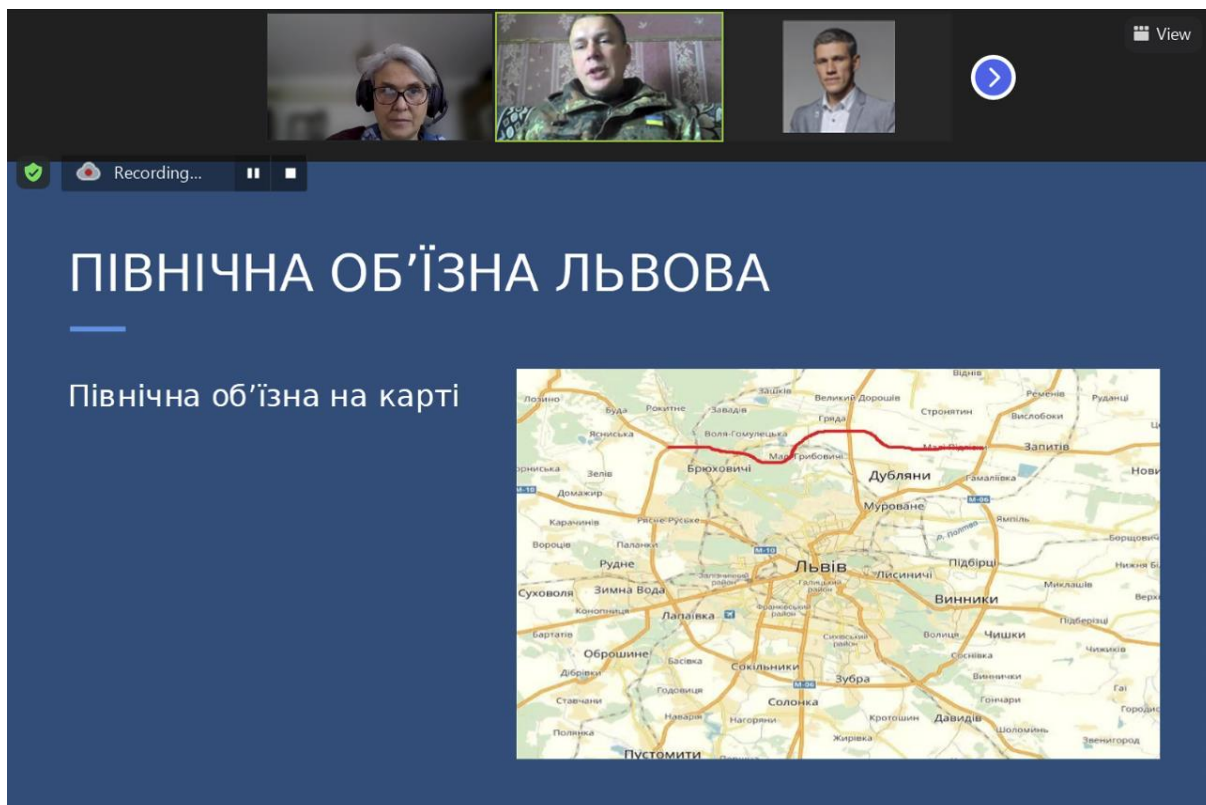


Image 2: Presentation by Anatoliy Pavelko, Ukrainian legal expert

The next presentation was given by Mr. Andriy-Taras Bashta, who worked for SaveGREEN as field biologist. Mr. Bashta began by describing the Ukrainian pilot

area, its most important geographic features and species and the challenges from ecological connectivity perspective.

Mr. Bashta then proceeded to present the results of his monitoring activities over the course of the project, as well as the problems encountered following the beginning of the Russian invasion.



Image 3: Presentation by Andriy-Taras Bashta, Ukrainian biologist and field expert

The final presentation was held by Ms. Svitlana Matus, who works on pursues the policy-related work of the Ukrainian SaveGREEN team. Her talk centred on recommendations for the consideration of ecological connectivity in post-war infrastructure in Ukraine, given the fact that a lot of critical infrastructure in the country has suffered heavy damage over the past months.

Ms. Matus highlighted that two important laws were passed since March of this year and the original legislation did not clearly define what was meant by renewal works for damages caused by the war. The SaveGREEN team therefore proposed the notion of reconstruction, which is an adjustment of facilities which are already in use. Renewal works could be understood in a wider manner.

In April 2022, a special decree established the Council for the Renewal of Ukraine after the war, which also considers reconstruction. The working group working on

reconstruction developed a paper, for which the team sent recommendations to the relevant sub-working groups. The situation was analysed by comparing it to motorway and railway transportation in 2002, possible ecological risks of renewal works were collected and as well as the risks that arise from environmental impact assessments being restricted. The resulting documents are available in Ukrainian and English.



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•Воєнний стан в Україні:

- З 05 години 30 хвилин **24 лютого 2022 року** в Україні введено воєнний стан (відповідно до Указу Президента України «Про введення воєнного стану в Україні» від 24.02.2022 р. № 64/2022)
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The slide also features a photograph of a damaged road and the Interreg logo. At the bottom of the slide, it says "Project co-funded by European Union funds (ERDF)" and "www.interreg-danube.eu/savegreen". The video call window shows a woman with long brown hair, identified as Svitlana Matus, speaking.

Image 4: Presentation by Svitlana Matus, Ukrainian policy expert

The workshop was concluded by Hildegard Meyer, who with the words “I can speak on behalf of the entire project consortium when I express my admiration and gratitude for all the work that you have done.”