



December 2018

Field report



Main activities summary

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01

Forest conservation and management:

Patrolling to prevent illegal activities

We purchased additional 106 ha of forests for full protection

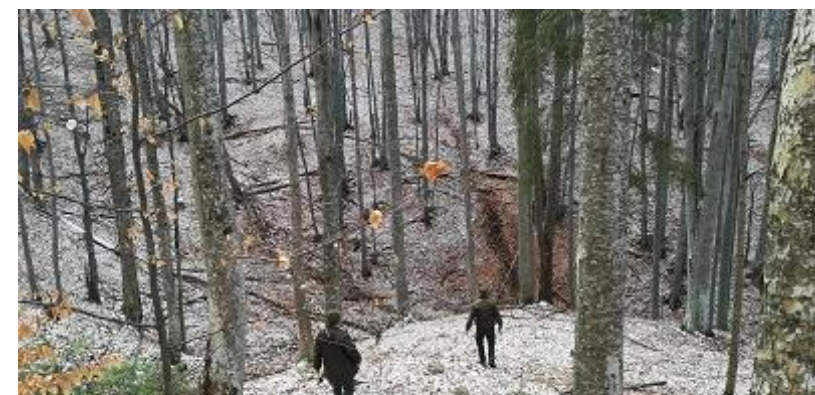


Activities

Râul Târgului – Argeșel – Râușor
Natura 2000 site:

- Preparation of a biodiversity inventory and monitoring report for Natura 2000 sites Râul Târgului - Argeșel - Râușor and Leaota by the National Agency for Protected Areas (ANANP)
- Second meeting with our external experts for the elaboration of the monitoring and management plan
- Final draft of the biodiversity monitoring plan for Râul Târgului - Argeșel - Râușor







- Supplying firewood for disadvantaged members of the local communities
- This helps to decrease the pressure of illegal cuttings due to the firewood crisis and the harsh winter.





02

Ecological restoration



Activities

We want to thank everyone who has contributed to replanting in 2018:

Dambovita Valley 247,450 saplings, 62 ha

Vidraru, Valsanului Valley 200,000 saplings, 50 ha

Leaota Mountains 48,100 puieti, 12 ha

Planted species: beech, fir, sycamore, elm, alder, spruce.

If you wish to become a regular donor for a new forest, check our website: <https://www.carpathia.org/en/donate/>



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Wildlife conservation



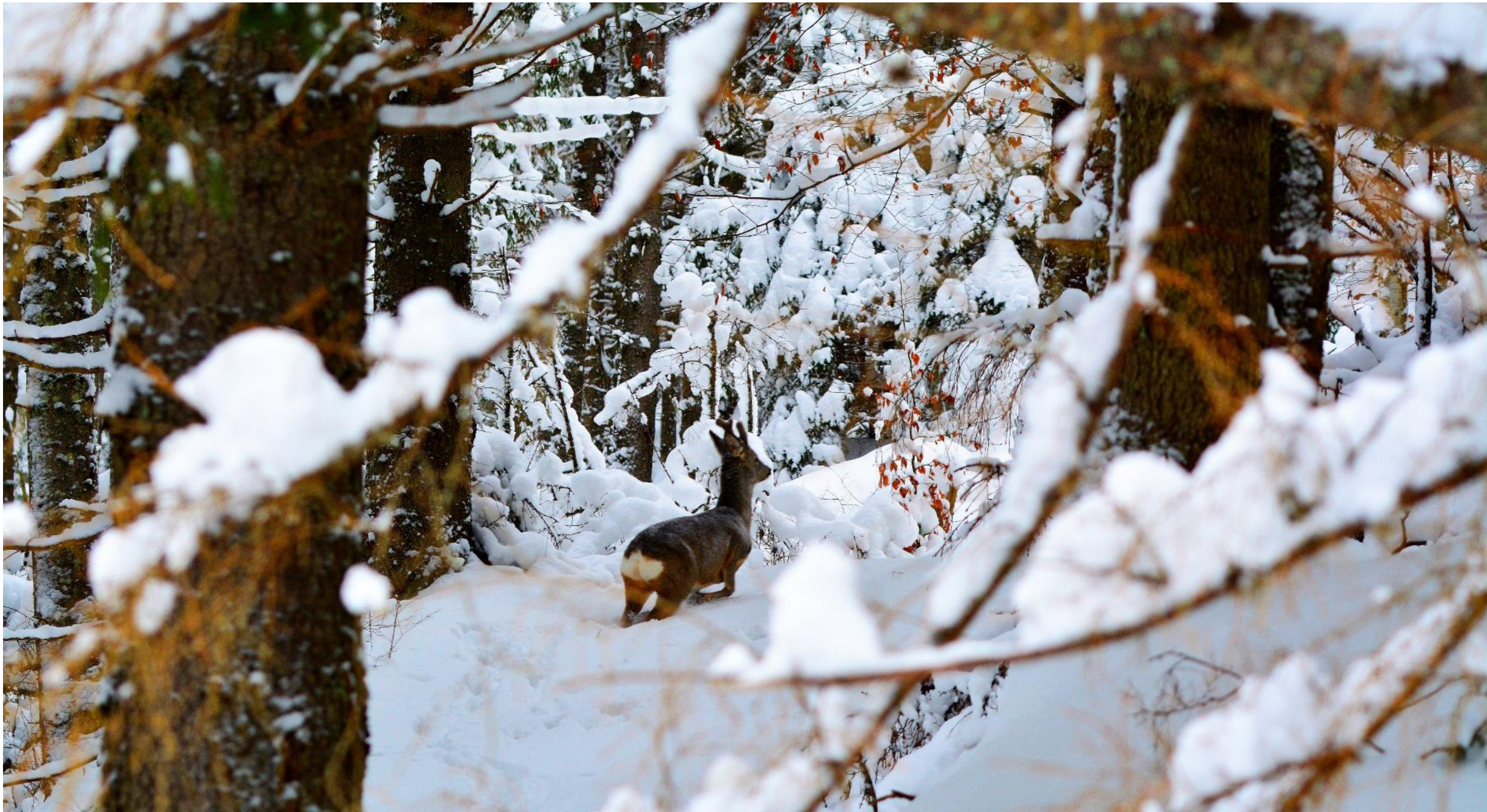
Activities

- Finish the autumn DNA sampling for bears to determine population numbers – 693 samples
- Starting DNA sampling campaign for lynx and wolf – 7 samples
- We have installed 63 camera trap stations for Eurasian lynx. Fur patterns can be used to identify individuals. So far, we got pictures on 13 stations.
- Anti poaching patrols









04

Cobor Biodiversity Farm



Activities

- The veterinary control confirmed our Grey Hungarian cattle are doing well and we are happy to expect 25 calves in spring
- New horses in our livery: 45 horses are enjoying the freedom of the 20 ha pasture and the good quality hay we have produced this summer .





- This is our new shelter for the cattle – under construction. All wood is recycled from an old barn from a neighboring village, which somebody was going to demolish.
- We are happy to such contribute to maintaining the local architecture.



05

Communication &
community outreach



Activities

- On December 10th and 11th 2018, FCC, the Institute of Biology of the Romanian Academy of Science, and the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences, Food Industry and Environmental Protection Sibiu with support of the IUCN – WCAP organised a conference entitled “**Făgăraș Mountains – scientific arguments for creating a National Park**”.
- 250 participants listened to 71 scientific oral and poster presentations, and discussed for 2 days of aspects of science, economy and conservation, and the involvement of local communities into the creation of a new National Park.
- The scientific community expressed its support for the creation of a National Park and endorsed the process of a bottom up process in creating the wildest, largest forested National Park of Europe.
- Follow the event details here: <https://www.carpathia.org/en/international-conference-fagaras-mountains-scientific-arguments-for-creating-a-new-national-park/>



Activities

December National Ecotic Gala for a Clean Environment:

- FCC is the winner the “Best Romanian NGO” category
- Our Cobor Biodiversity Farm is the winner of the “Greenest commercial company” category





Join us in:

- Creating the largest forested National Park in Europe
- Annual restoration of the original ecosystem on over 100 ha of illegal clear-cuts
- Protecting wildlife on 2 hunting concessions with a total of 24,000 ha
- Sustainable development of local communities
- Environmental education projects



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