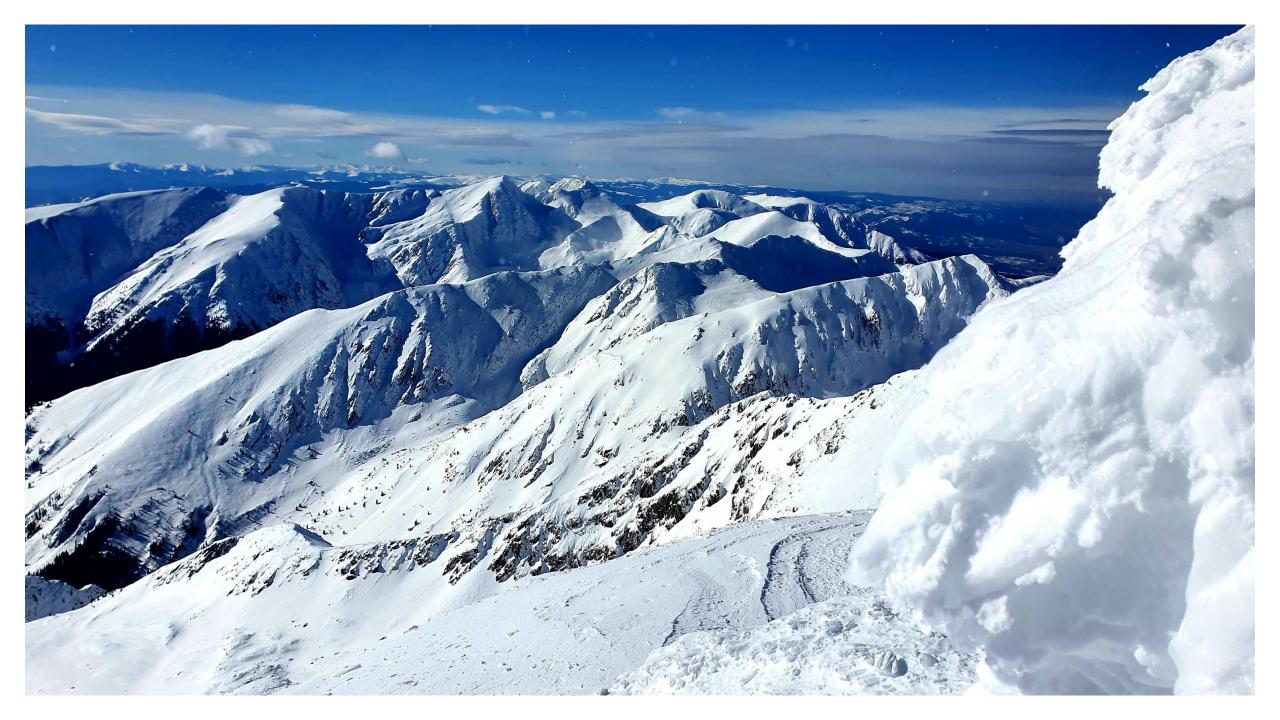




January 2022

Field report



Results

26,693 ha

of forest under permanent protection, safeguarded for future generations

78,000 ha

protected for wildlife, with no sport or trophy hunting

1,157 ha

clear-cuts bought and restored

3,051,432

saplings planted in clear-cuts, riparian galleries and artificial spruce monocultures

200

locals find income opportunities owing to the CARPATHIA project

1,200

students and teachers involved in environmental education projects

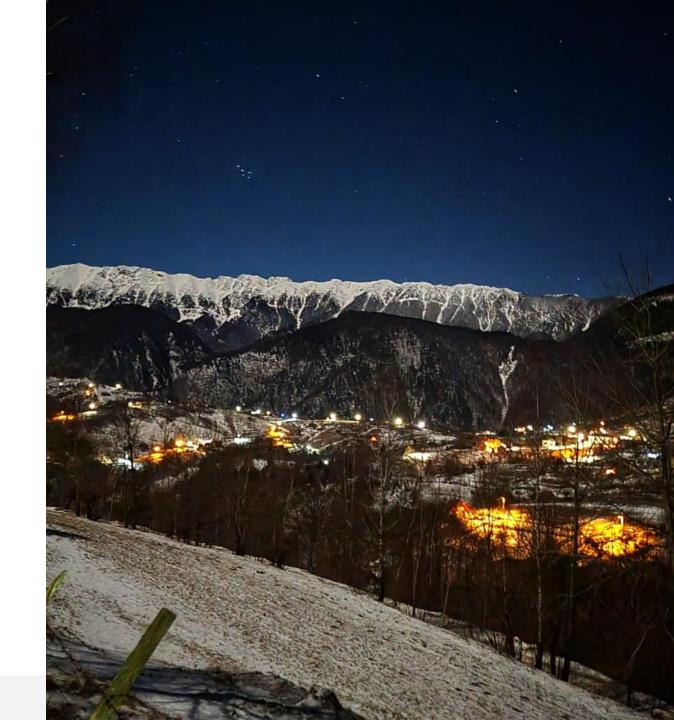
20+

local producers are part of the Food HUB Roadele Munților



Main activities summary

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- 04 Conservation enterprise programme
- 05 Communication & community outreach



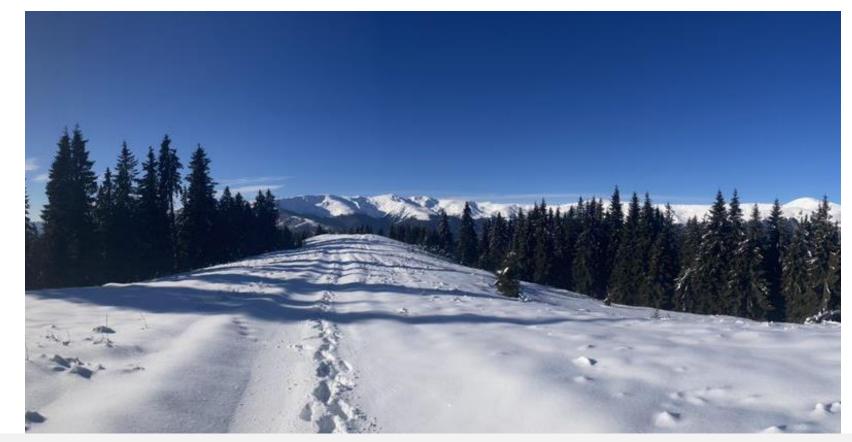
Forest conservation and management



 In January, we were able to purchase an additional 204 ha of forests and grassland.







LIFE project target:

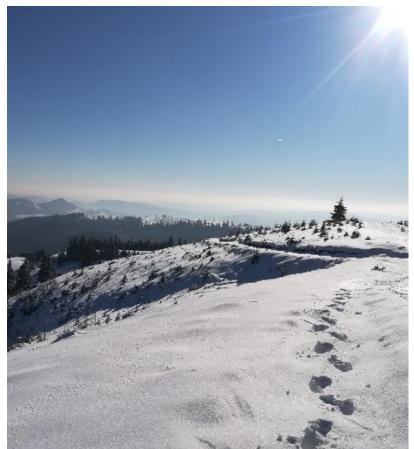
Purchasing 3,300 ha of forests and alpine meadows for full protection and restoration.

Result: 4,359 ha.

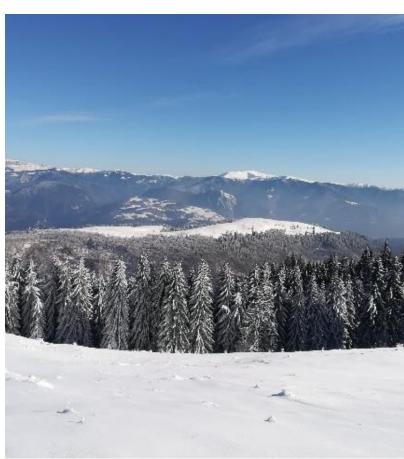
Images from the project area











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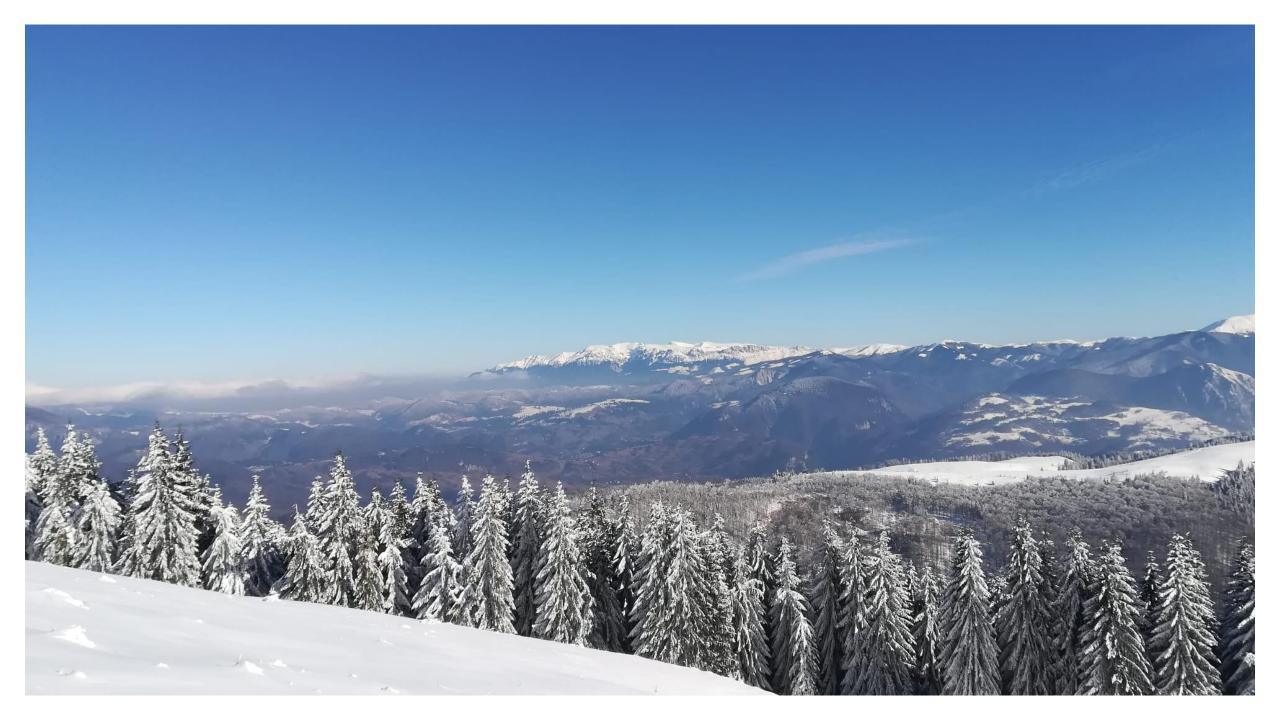














Ecological restoration



- Winter is a good time for our specialists to work on the reforestation plans for 2022.
- Public funding as well as your donations help to create new forests, in a world that continuously loses biodiversity.
 Thank you!



Wildlife conservation

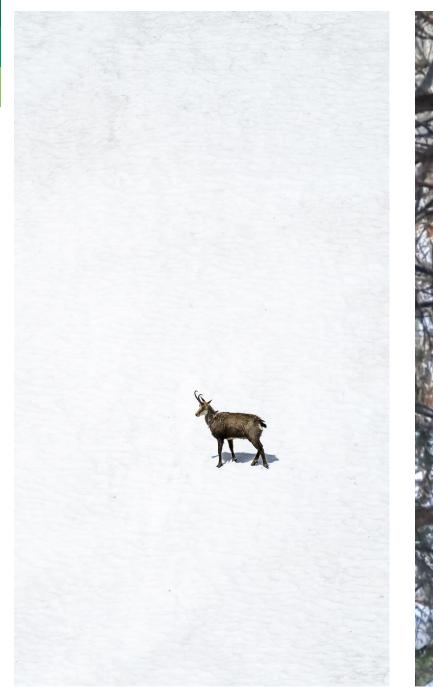


- Wolf monitoring is an on-going activity during this snowy period. We can find tracks more easily and collect scat samples to identify the number of individuals by using DNA analysis.
- But this is hard work: so far we have only managed to collect 30 samples after many km of snowtracking by our field team.
- We also installed some camera traps for lynx in areas where we lack information on the species.













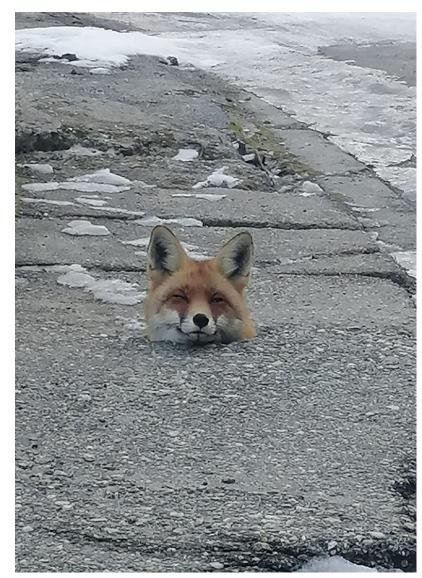
- We keep monitoring the three herds of free-ranging bison.
- The calves have adapted well to the cold weather and snow. With the snow accumulating at higher altitudes, we find the herds are descending to the valleys in search of food.







Emerging from the underground world









Travel CARPATHIA



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Conservation Enterprise Programme

Cobor Biodiversity Farm

- Proper winters are becoming rarer in the hills of Transylvania, which makes us more concerned about water resources.
- Life goes on as planned at the farm: new calves are born, last year's calved are weaned, the vet visits, we make improvements in the yard, and are busy dealing with authorisations.









Farm and surroundings









Cobor Biodiversity Farm

- Four female Carpathian shepherd dog puppies are eager to start their mission in protecting livestock around the Făgăraş Mountains. They will soon be donated.
- It's not as if the alfalfa or hay is no good, but the horses in our livery 'say' the oat treats are the best!



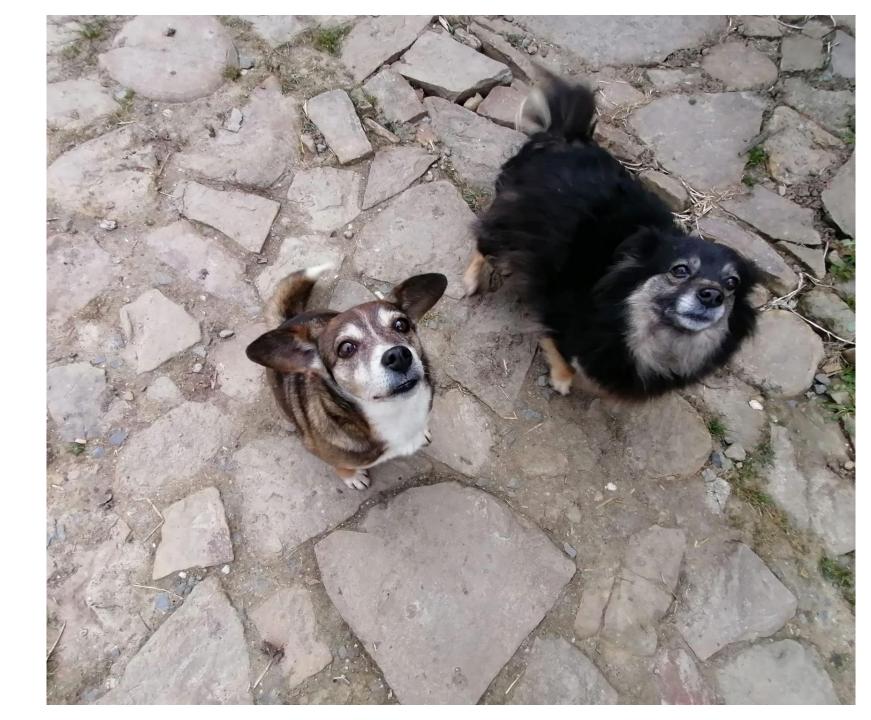






Are you coming?

We are Mary and Terry and we look forward to welcoming you to Cobor!



Volunteers

- Markus came from Germany for two months to help us with the Carpathian shepherd dogs breeding programme and the horse livery. He likes to get involved in other farming and hospitality activities.
- Volunteering is a great opportunity to gain work experience and to contribute to interesting projects.

Thank you, Markus for your time and effort!



- 98 nights have already been booked at the wildlife hides! It is never too early to make plans for your <u>adventure in the Făgăraş</u> Mountains!
- We are preparing the next generation of guides and are enjoying the good weather, allowing us to discover and design new trails for you, the people who love mountains.





Communication & community outreach



- January we were in Nucşoara and Lereşti communes, where, together with Casa Bună Association, we delivered packages of food and vitamins.
- We continue the plans to build a day centre in Nucşoara, a place where, annually, around 200 children from rural areas will have the opportunity for education.
- If you want to be part of it, please <u>donate</u>, mentioning Day Centre Nucșoara, Făgăraş Mountains.







- 30 m³ of fire wood (beech) were delivered to a disadvantaged community in Leaota.
- Every year we support locals with volumes of fire wood taken out from the forests, from trees which have been uprooted by wind.



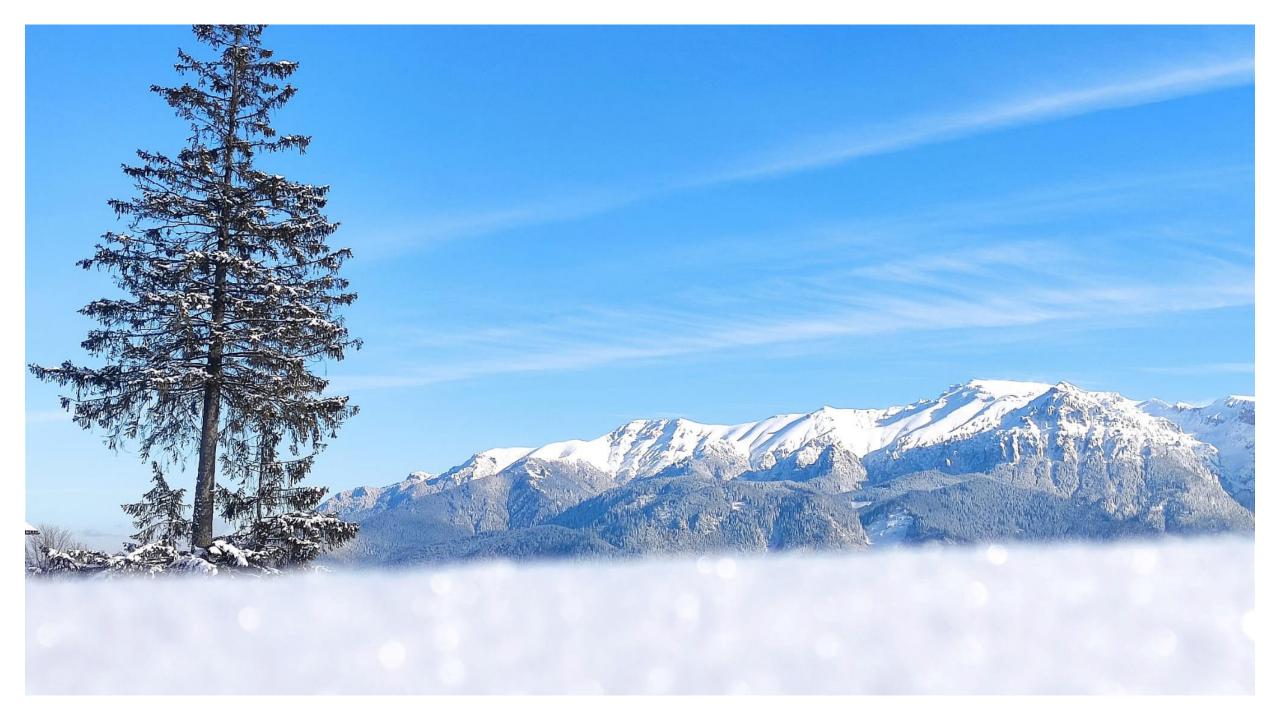
- The Richita educational centre will host a training course to prepare the next generation of Educators for Nature – teachers that will host our nature-based education camps.
- This summer we will host numerous camps for children who live near our project area, who rarely have the chance for such an adventure.



New colleague in our management team

Victoria is the new Communications
Director. She comes with a solid
background in communications and
aims to build impactful projects with
the Carpathia Conservation team.
Victoria has previously worked in
medical and pharma companies,
and in a strategic communication
agency in Bucharest.





Join us in:

- Creating the largest forested National Park in Europe.
- Annual restoration of the original ecosystem of over 100 ha of clear-cuts.
- Protecting wildlife across a total of 65,000 ha.
- Sustainable development of local communities.
- Environmental education projects.





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