

One Nature project

LIFE PLATFORM MEETING ON FOREST RESTORATION IN EUROPE

Brașov, 3-5 June 2025

About One Nature Project



- Officially: Integrated LIFE project for the Natura 2000 network in the Czech Republic
- Acronym, number: LIFE IP: N2K Revisited, LIFE17 IPE/CZ/000005
- Duration: 1/2019 to 12/2026
- Budget: 20,369,945 €, of which 60 % is funded by LIFE Programme

Beneficiaries:

- Ministry of the Environment of the Czech Republic (coordinating beneficiary)
- Nature Conservation Agency of the Czech Republic
- Biology Centre of the CAS, Soil & Water Research Infrastructure
- Charles University Environment Centre
- Global Change Research Institute of the CAS CzechGlobe

The specific outcomes of the Project





1. Assessment of the status of protected animal and plant species and of natural habitats at individual sites.



2. Setting management priorities for the particular species and natural habitats.



3. Cooperation with major land owners and users.



4. Implementation of appropriate conservation measures to maintain or improve the status of habitats and species.



5. Introduction of a management effectiveness evaluation at selected sites.



6. Updating the management plans.



7. Assessment of the benefits provided by the protected areas of the Natura 2000 network and of the costs associated with conservation efforts in these areas.



8. Providing expert trainings and examples of good practice in site management to all nature protection authorities employees.



9. Effective use of funding resources available for site management.



10. Providing the project outputs to public administration in the form of recommendations for practice.



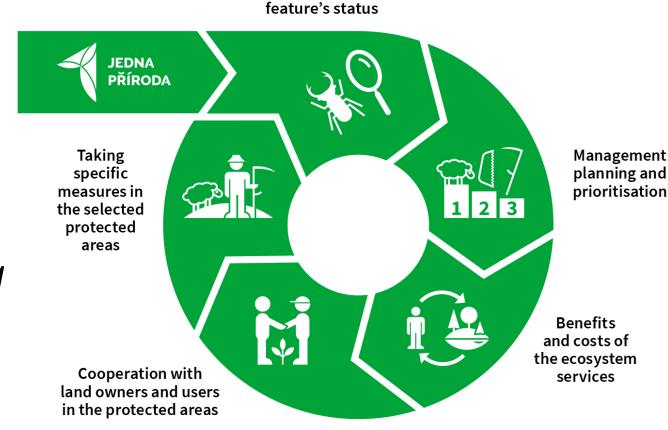
11. Informing the public about the objectives and methods of protected area conservation, its benefits and costs.





Implementation of appropriate conservation measures to maintain or improve the status of habitats and species

- Adaptive management cycle
- Landscape Management Programme (for most valuable sites, not interesting from agricultural point of view)



Assessment of the target

Action C4 – Management in Natura 2000 sites



- Practical conservation measures within Natura 2000 sites
- Appropriate management interventions
 - Maintenance and restoration of target features (habitats and species)
- Innovative management practices
 - Alternative woodland management Coppicing with standards and Woodland pasture (silvopasture)



Alternative woodland management



Renewal of traditional woodland management:

- Coppicing with standards
- Woodland pasture (Silvopasture)

Implementation and evaluation of management at selected locations

In collaboration with experts:

Assessment of the baseline and monitoring

Assessment of the impact of management on target species and biodiversity

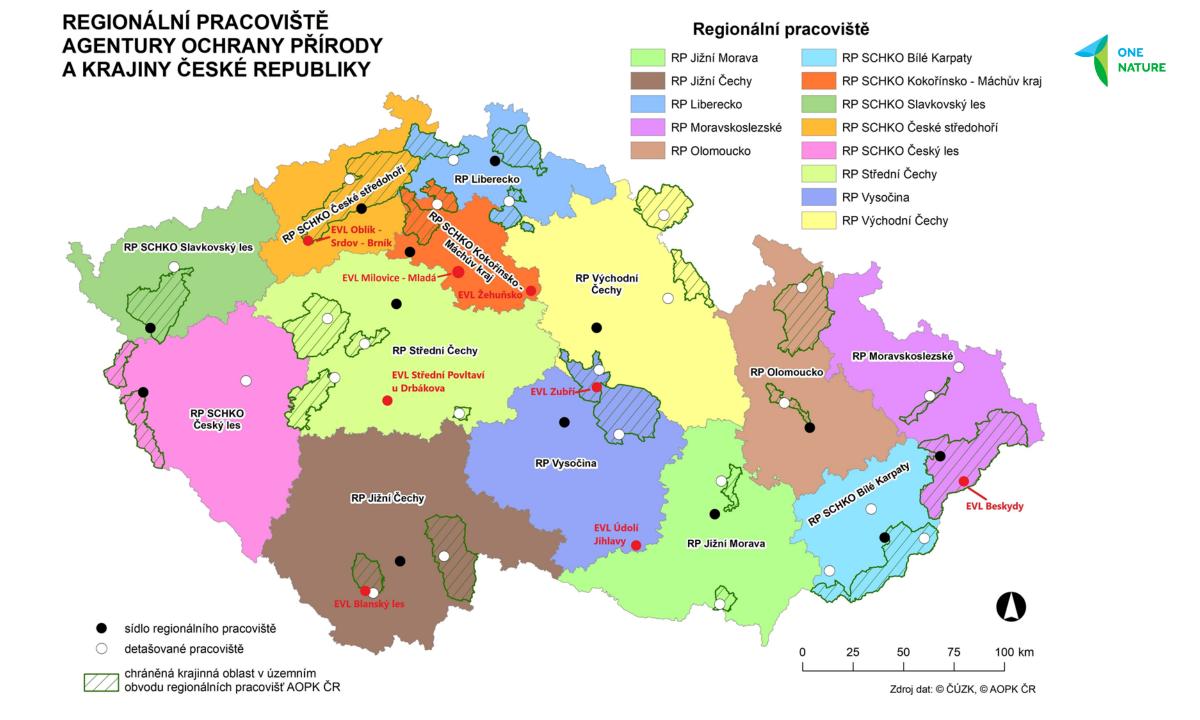
Documentation for the proposal for legislative amendments



Alternative woodland management – Woodland pasture



Woodland pasture					
SAC	Location	Target features	Number of experimental plots	Total area (ha)	Year (first)
CZ0614134 Údolí Jihlavy	NPR Mohelenská hadcová step	9170; 9110; Callimorpha quadripunctaria	1	2	3Q 2023
CZ0424039 Oblík - Srdov - Brník	Brník	Callimorpha quadripunctaria	1	2,4	2Q 2022
CZ0314124 Blanský les	NPR Vyšenské kopce	91U0; Callimorpha quadripunctaria	1	2,5	3Q 2023
CZ0210053 Střední Povltaví u Drbákova	NPR Drbákov - Albertovy skály	9170	2	2	2Q 2023
CZ0214006 Milovice - Mladá	NPP Mladá	4030	1	2	3Q 2024
CZ0214050 Žehuňsko	NPR Knežičky	91I0*; Lucanus cervus	4	8	3Q 2023
CZ0530504 Zubří	PR Zubří	6230*	1	0,5	2Q 2023
CZ0724089 Beskydy	Tisňavy - Biechava	6510	2	2	3Q 2023





SAC Oblík – Srdov – Brník 2021





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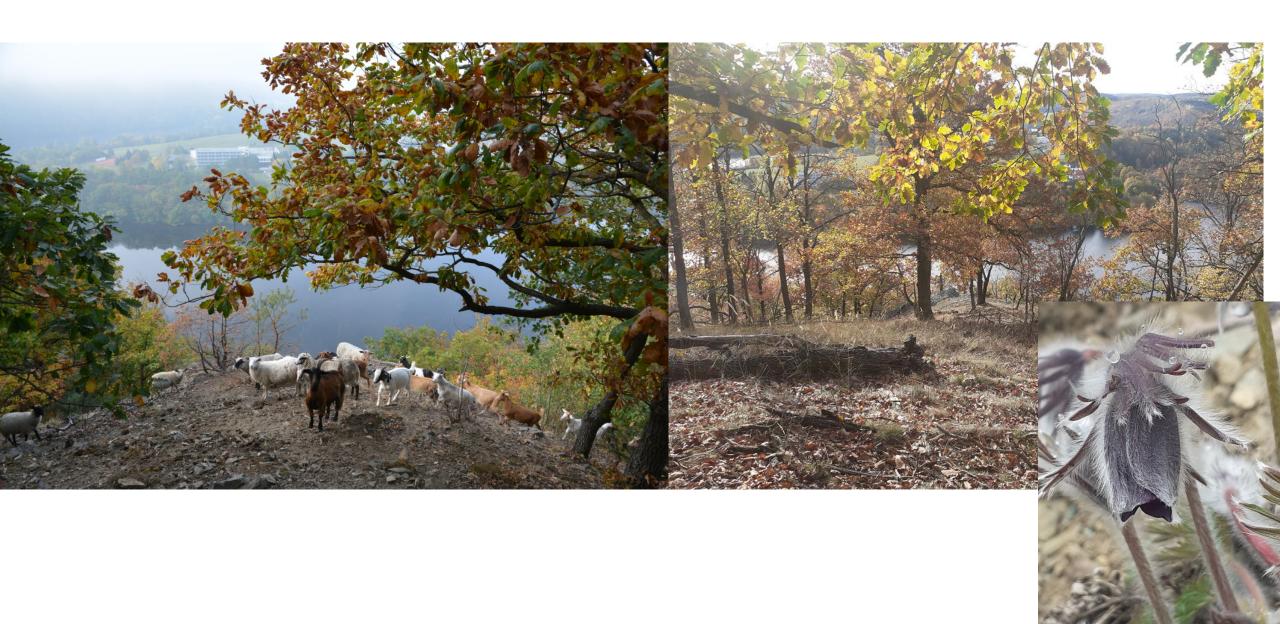
SAC Blanský les (Vyšenské kopce)





SAC Střední Povltaví u Drbákova





SAC Zubří









SAC Žehuňsko







SAC Beskydy (Malé Karlovice)







Complications



Legislation

- Only permitted in special-purpose forests (nature conservation)
- Official permit issued by State Forestry administration; often takes up to one year to obtain

Difficulties

- Risk of falling trees leading to injuries of livestock and shepherds
- Deaths of animals (livestock loss due to sudden change in diet composition)
- Absence of dead wood for saproxylic insect and fungi

Benefits



- Better planning in nature conservation
- Occurrence of rare species in management areas
- Acceptance of the alternative woodland management practices by professional public
- Opening a discussion about changing the forest law

Woodland pasture in SAC Blanský les - video



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XmVHJi vaSc







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