

How does EUROPARC work in Brussels?

Representing members' interests at European level and actively contributing to the development of relevant EU policies.

EUROPARC actively lobbies and advocates for members' interests in Brussels. We work both for the implementation and development of EU policies and for the **integration of the Protected Areas perspective within EU legislation**. EUROPARC inputs by providing expertise, facilitating exchange of experiences and driving the flow of information from and to our members.

Our main focus is on Nature and Biodiversity, with specific engagement on: Natura 2000, agriculture, marine environment, sustainable tourism, climate change, periurban areas, regional development and education.

At European level, EUROPARC gains recognition for Protected Areas, promoting experiences as successful examples for **integrated landscape** management.

Representing Protected Areas

EUROPARC ensures direct connection with several European institutions.









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In order to achieve our policy priorities, EUROPARC is a member of and contributes to the work of the following European Institutional groups:

- CGBN Coordination Group for Nature and Biodiversity
 - Green Infrastructure and Restoration working group;
 - •European Platform for the coexistence between people and large carnivores.

Growing visibility

Regular meetings with national and regional authorities and with other organisations, together with the representation of our members in conferences and workshops, are part of our daily work in Brussels.

EUROPARC cooperates closely with the main international organisations and NGOs working in Brussels and is a member of the European Habitats Forum, the Sustainable Food and Farming Platform and the CAP NGOs working group.

To raise the voice and highlight the role of Protected Areas, we also organise specific events. Among them:

>> the **Seminar-Dialogues** with the European Commission on Protected Areas and EU policies

>> the annual **Award Ceremony** of the European Charter for Sustainable Tourism in Protected Areas, realised in collaboration with the European Parliament.

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The EUROPARC Federation is the largest and most representative Protected Area network in Europe, comprising almost 40% of the Natura 2000 network.

Our members manage Europe's Protected Areas, covering almost every regional, national, European and international designation.