

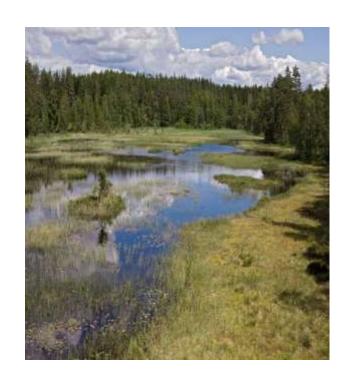
Wilderness in Europe

Toby Aykroyd, Wild Europe Initiative





Promotes a coordinated strategy for the protection and restoration of large tracts of natural ecosystem: 'wilderness' and 'wild areas'



Wild Europe initiative



- Partnership since 2005
- Strong links to Europarc Federation
- Non intervention management
- Socio-economic benefit agenda
- Recommended to EC by 2009
 EU Parliamentary Resolution



Wild Europe: key activities



- Promoting policy instruments
- Advocacy eg Fitness Check
- Sector projects: forestry, CAP, PES
- Individual area campaigns
- Economic Benefits Group ANEEP
- Social Benefits Forum



The momentum for wilderness and wild areas



2008 Joint petition: improved protection

2009 European Parliament Resolution

2009 EC Presidency Prague conference

2010 EC Presidency Brussels conference on Restoration Strategy

2011 Wilderness cited in EU Biodiversity Strategy

The momentum for wilderness and wild areas



2012 Consensus wilderness definition for EC, national strategies
2013 EC Guidelines: non-intervention management in N2000 network
2014 EC Wilderness Register
2015 Wild Europe Foundation with Endowment Fund
2016 European Wilderness Council?



Using the enterprise agenda for stronger protection









Addressing urban social issues

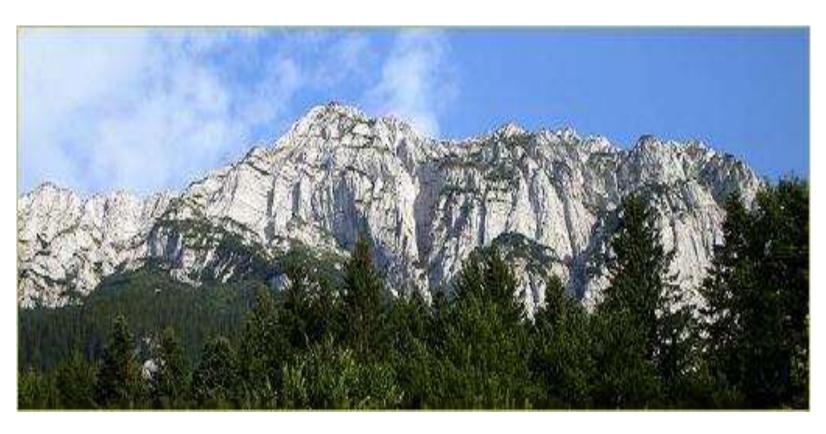






Romania – Carpathia: "Europe's Yellowstone"





The 'Nephin Wilderness'





The wilderness agenda





Help us take it further – 2.00 pm today !!!