



Protected areas in Croatia

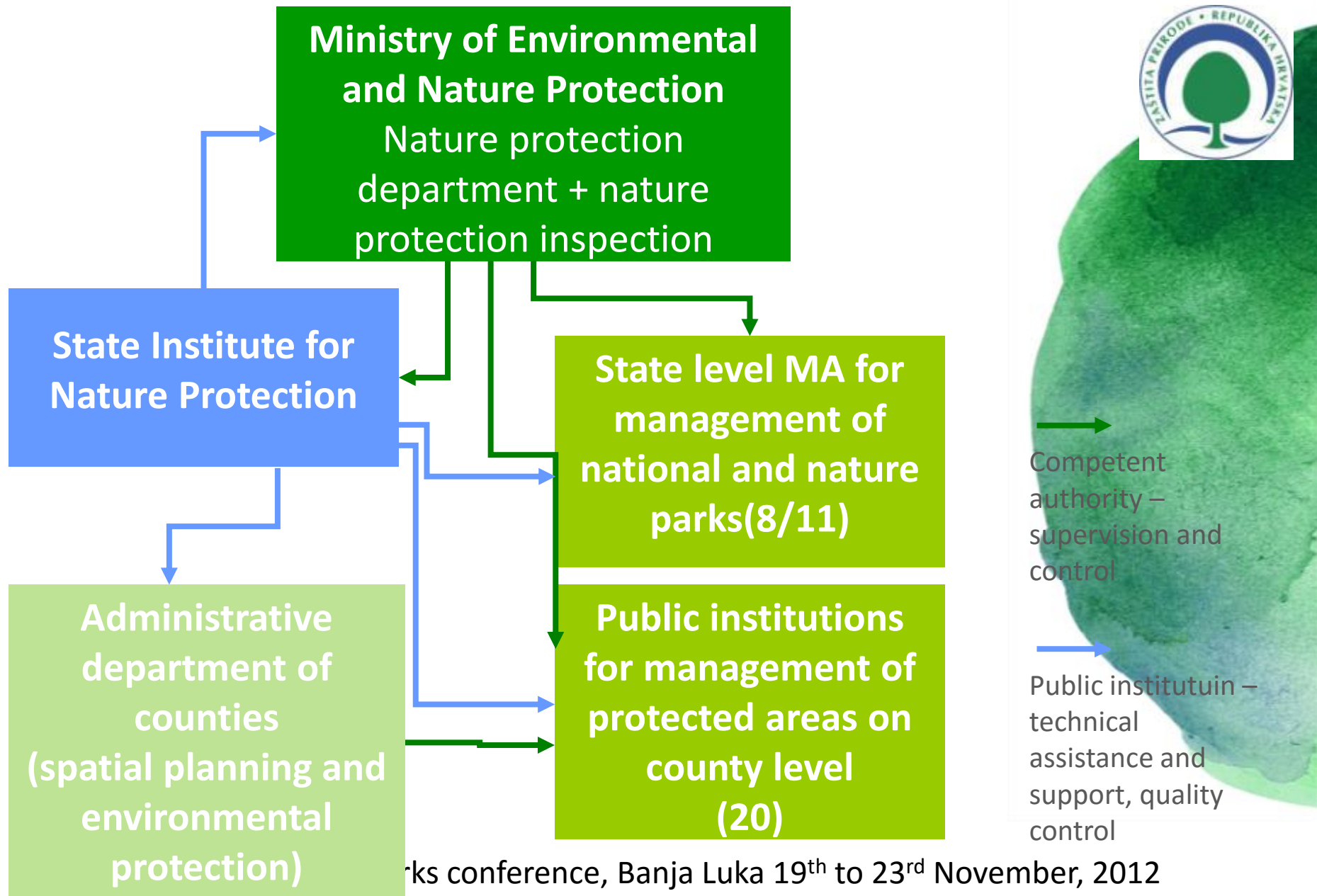
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Croatia – Institutional framework of nature protection



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Croatia – Legislative framework of nature protection

International
conventions/treaties
on nature protection

EU legislation

Strategy and action plan for biological and landscape diversity of Republic of
(NN 143/08)

Nature protection act
(NN 70/05; 139/08; 57/11)

- Protection of overall biological (species and habitats), geological and landscape diversity
- Implementation of nature protection measures in all sectors
- Concept of Ecological Network
- Institutionalization of technical work in nature protection
- Public participation in decision making

Special regulations

Croatia – Protected areas

(Register of protected natural values MENP, July 2012.)

Protection
strictness



Category	No	land (km ²)	sea (km ²)	total (km ²)
Strict reserve	2	23,95		23,95
National park	8	735,66	219,05	954,72
Special reserve	80	317,47	120,07	437,54
Nature park	11	4.017,54	178,66	4.196,21
Regional park	2	1.027,91		1.027,91
Natural monument	85	1,89	0,00	1,89
Protected landscape	85	1.233,10	89,88	1.322,99
Park forest	33	32,70		32,70
Horticultural monument	127	9,37		9,37
UKUPNO	433	6.362,06	603,39	6.965,45

■ strogi rezervat
■ nacionalni park
■ posebni rezervat
■ park prirode
■ regionalni park
■ spomenik prirode
■ značajni krajolici
■ park šuma
■ spomenik parkovne
 arhitekture

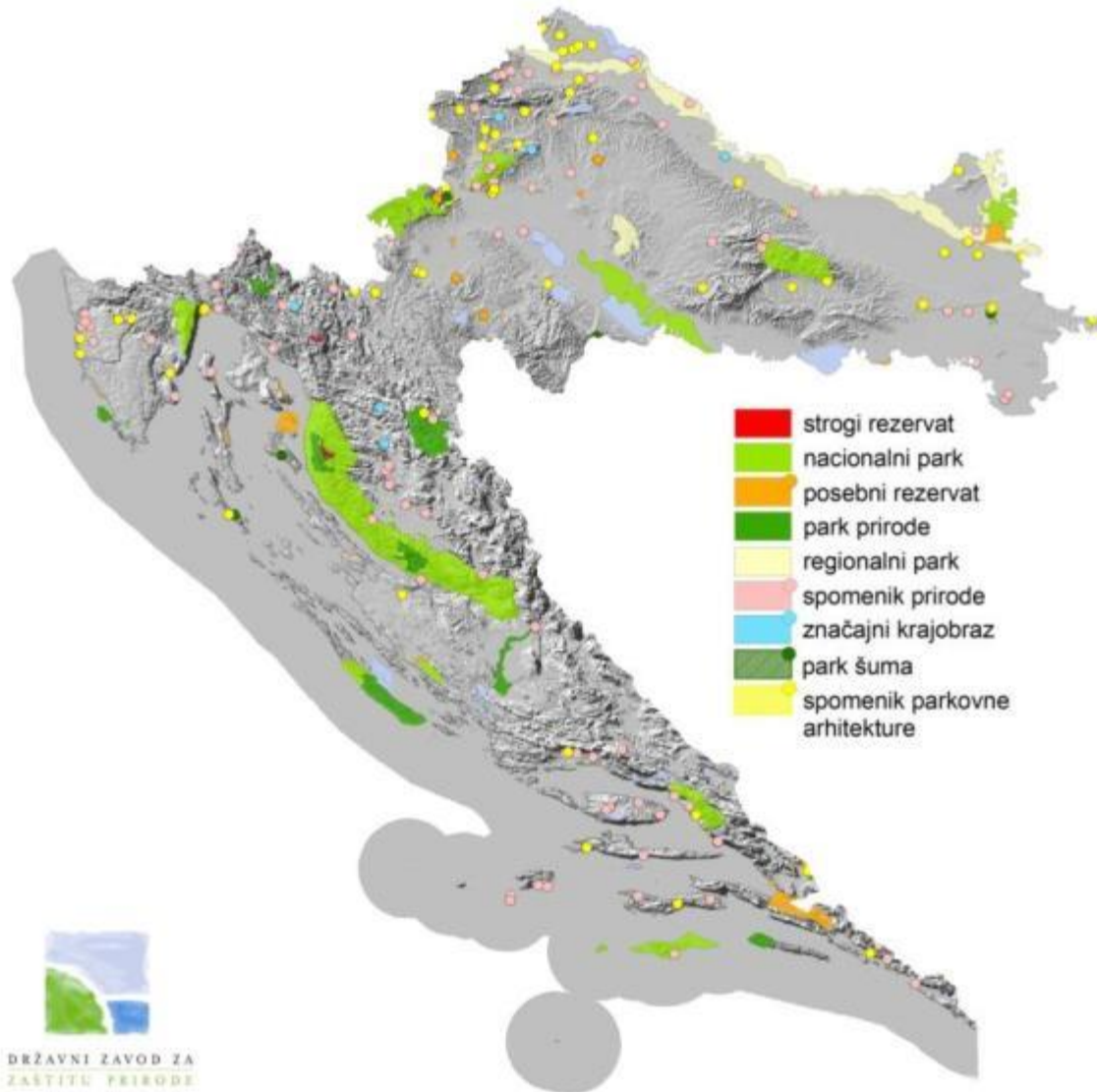


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8,48%
of state territory

12,07% of land territory

1,94% of marine territory

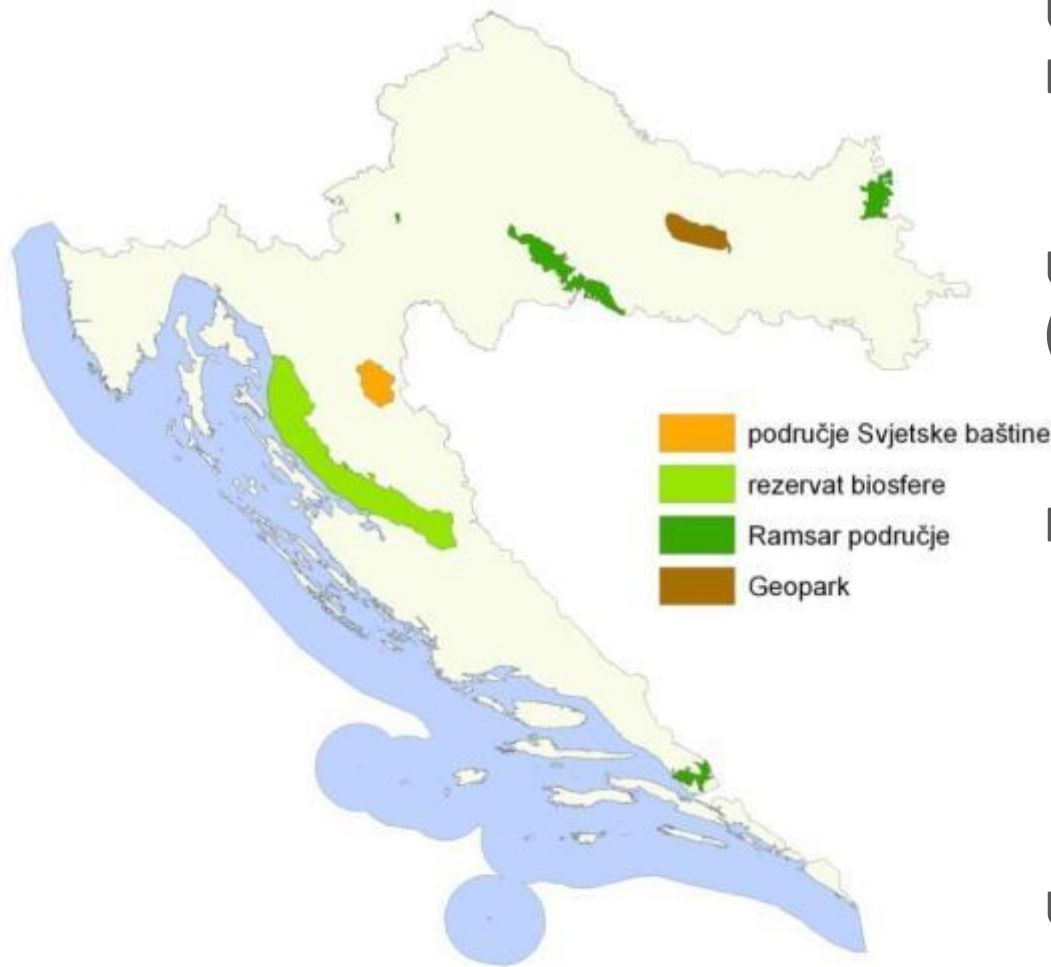


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Croatia – protected areas – international designation



UNESCO – World Natural Heritage List

NP Plitvička jezera

UNESCO Man and the Biosphere (MAB)

PP Velebit

Ramsar site

PP Kopački rit

PP Lonjsko polje

PR Crna mlaka

Delta Neretve

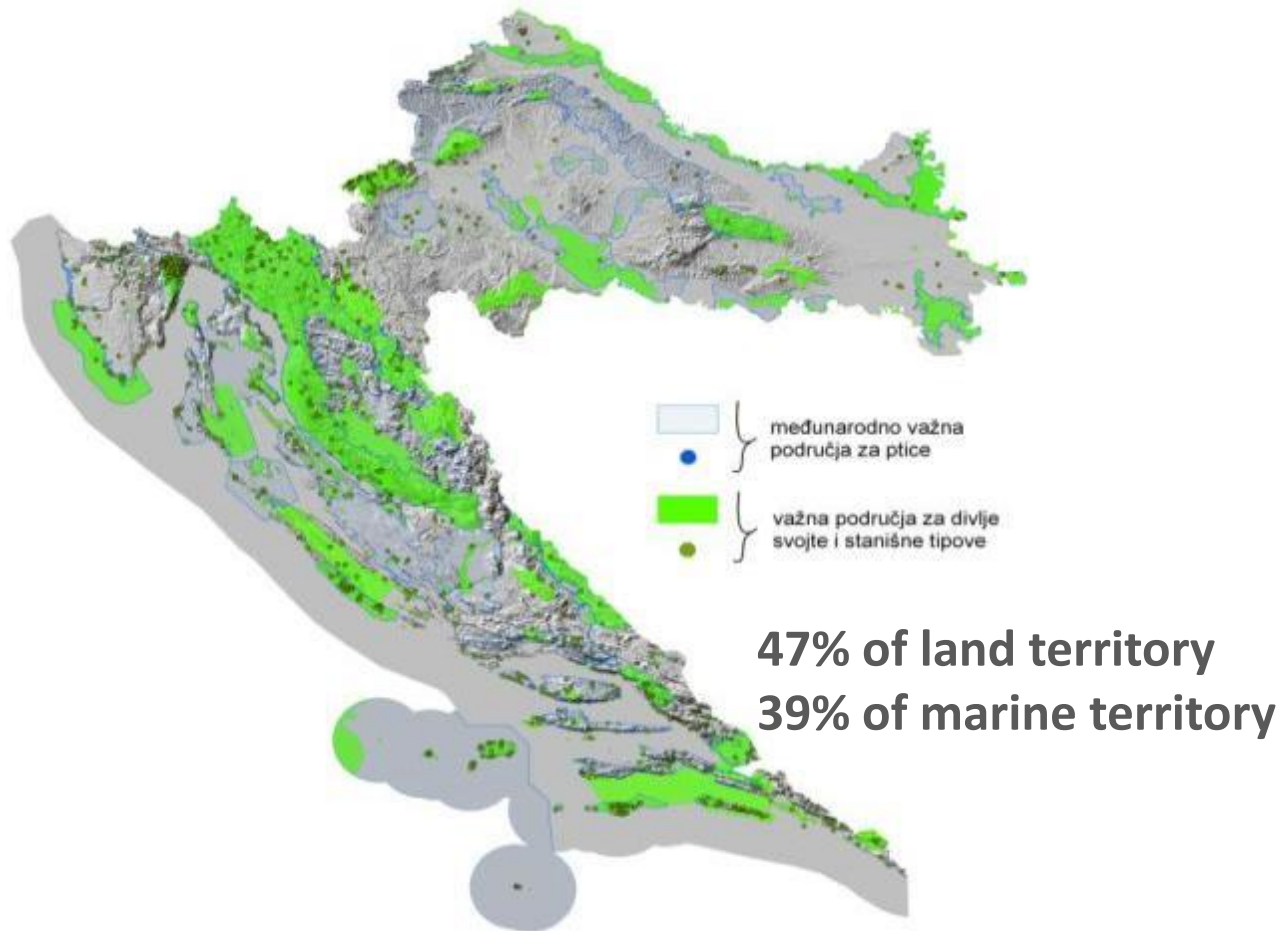
UNESCO Geopark

PP Papuk



Croatia – National Ecological Network

- System of mutually connected or spatially close ecologically significant areas that through their biogeographical distribution greatly contribute to preservation of natural balance and biodiversity

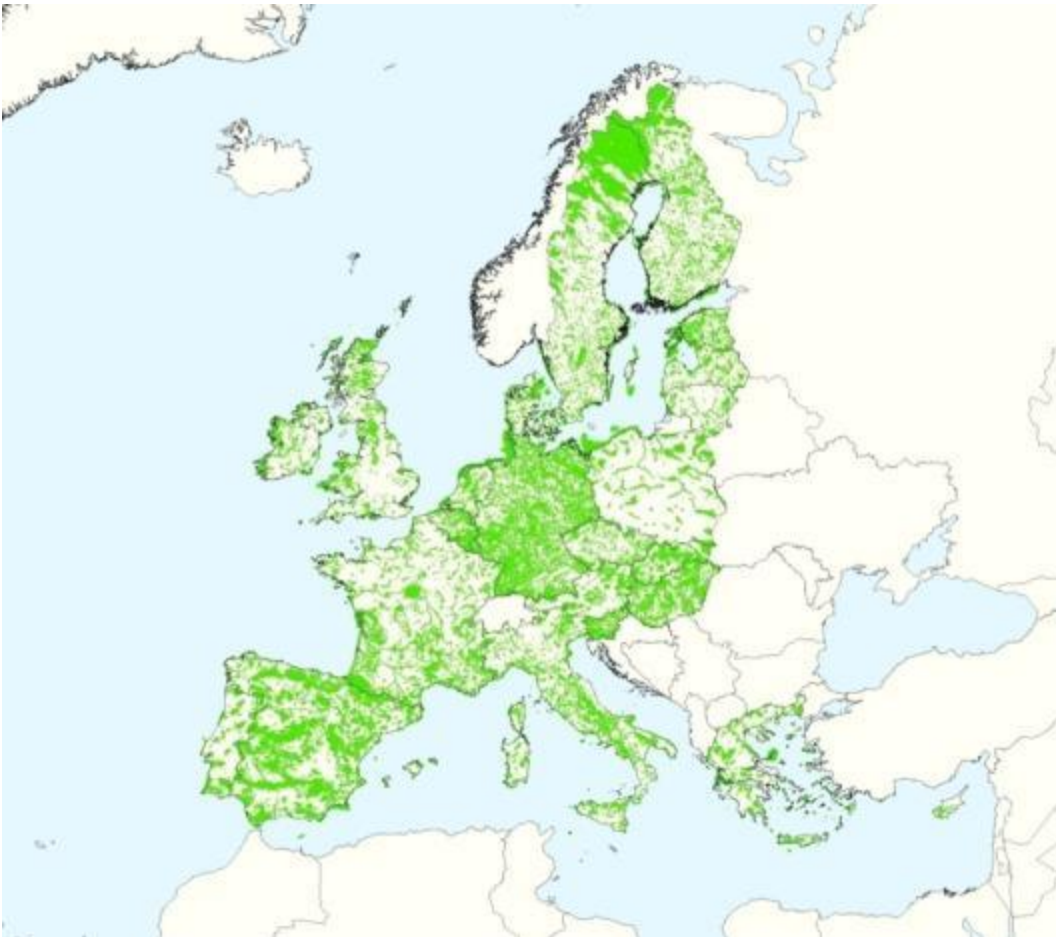


- 1510 important areas for wild species and habitats
- 40 internationally important bird areas
- 2 ecological corridors (migration corridor for birds Palagruža-Lastovo-Pelješac and corridor for sea turtles – coastal zone up to 50 m in depth).

Croatia – Natura 2000 – preparation for accession to EU

Natura 2000 = Ecological Network of EU

- Network of protected areas that are crucial for preservation of species and habitats endangered on European level; all EU member states contribute

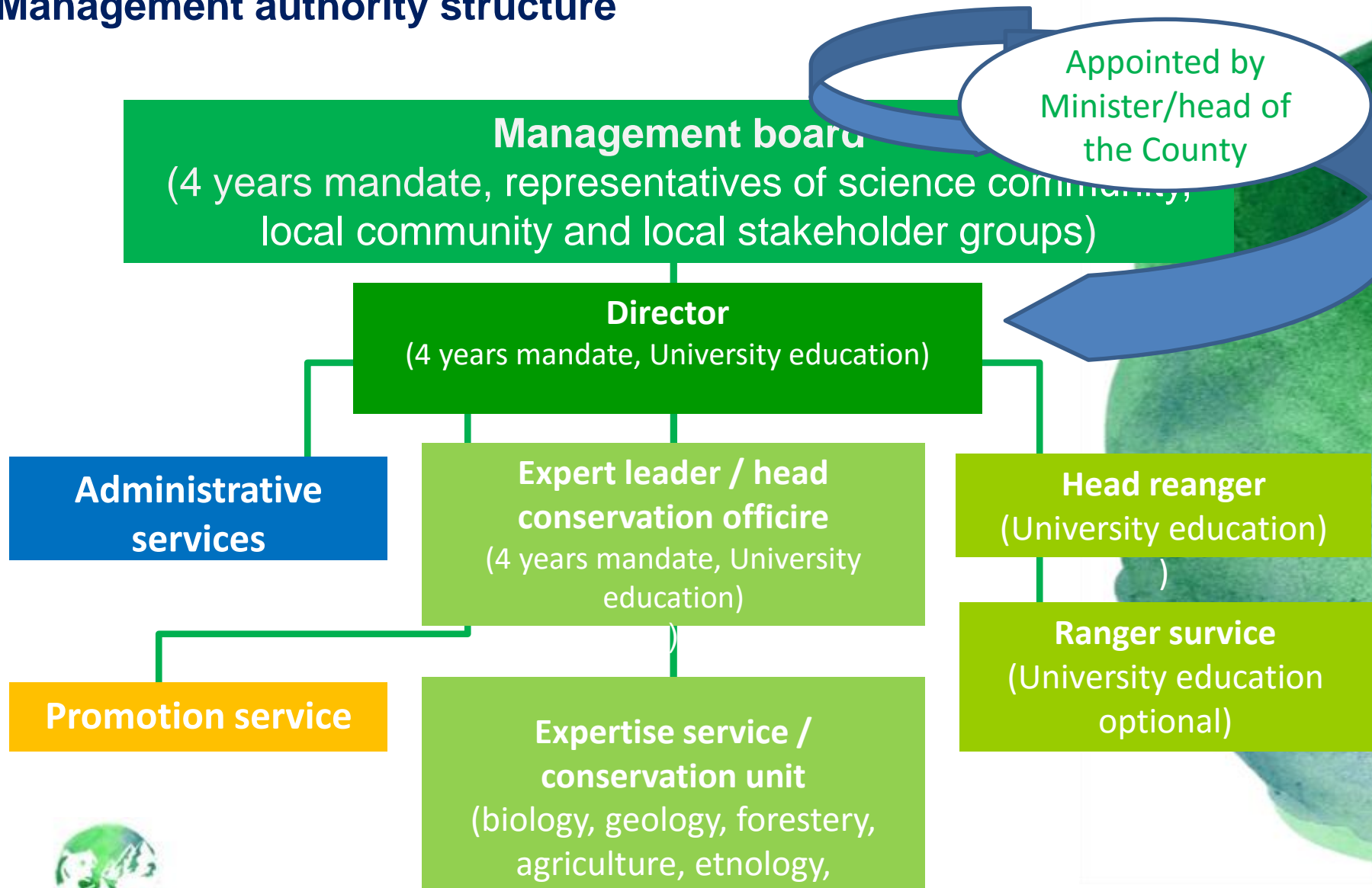


Working mechanism:

1. Selection of species and habitats based on strict scientific criteria
2. Financial support achieved through programs
3. Mechanism of implementation and monitoring

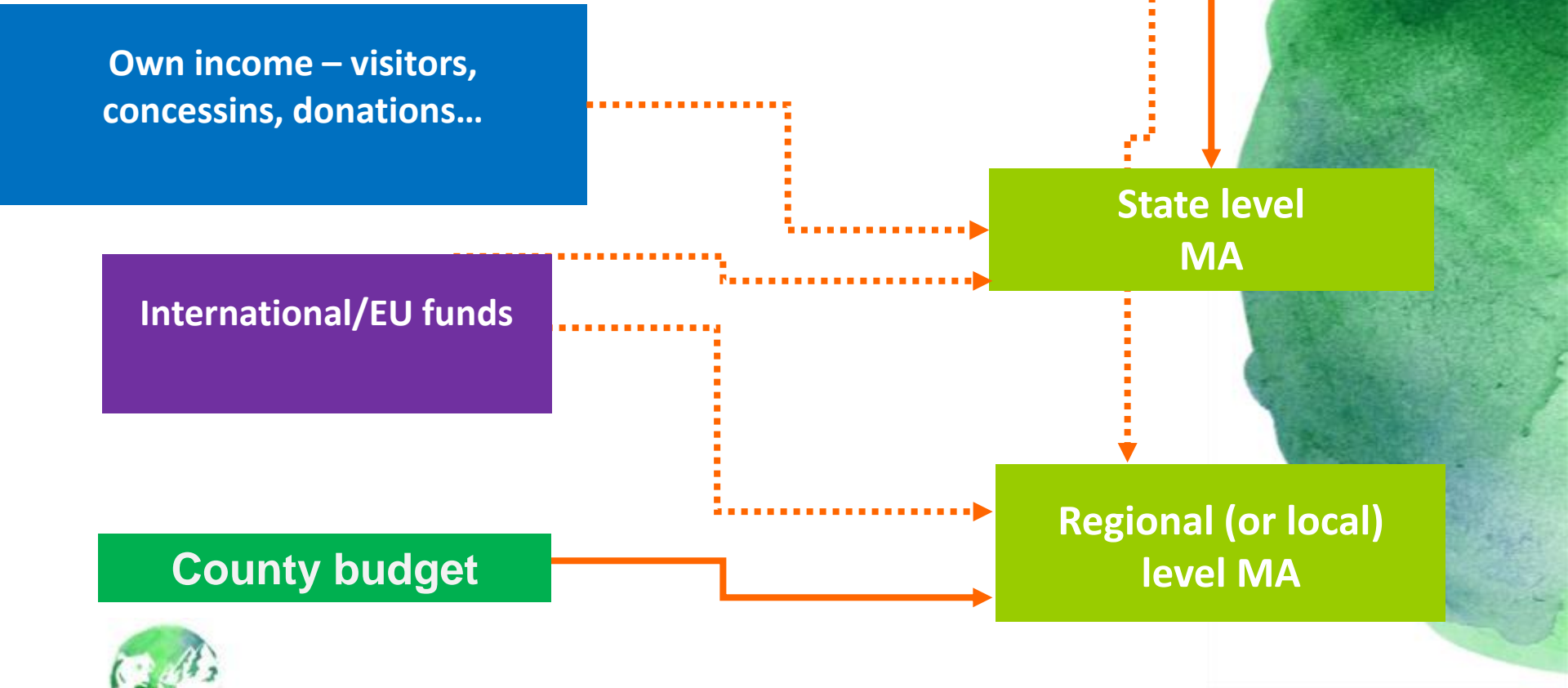
PROTECTED AREAS MANAGEMENT

Management authority structure



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Financing through;
Annual protection program,
maintenance, preservation promotion
and use of protected areas



Thank you!

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