



- Is it time to promote socio-economic development of protected areas to retain our young people?
- How to do it and what would be the limits?

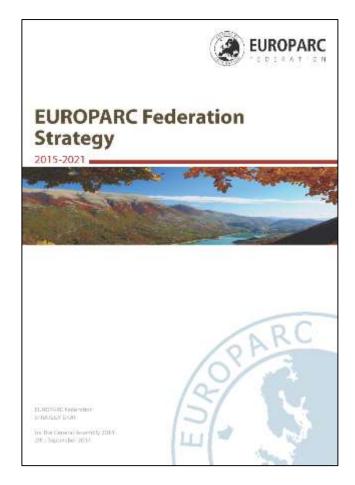


# **EUROPARC Federation Strategy**

- 1) Working for Nature
- 2) Helping People and Organisations learn
- 3) Promoting Sustainability: Role of Protected Areas in Sustainable Development
- 4) Working Together: Building our Organisation













LP – Regional Government Andalusia - ES

P2 – EUROPARC Federation

P3 – EUCC Baltic section - LT

P4 – Regione Molise - IT

P5 – INCDT Romania - RO

P6 – ENRx- FR





#### ☐ Productive & food sector

Natural Park Brand - ES



How a "Natural Park" Brand helps to open international markets.

#### Support for local produce



Showcase gardens' to demonstrate the region's vegetable heritage at "Gîtes de France" B&B operators



#### CucinaAcosto0 - IT



Cooking lessons from famous chef for young apprentices using wild edible plants.



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#### ☐ Tourism sector

Amber Catcher - LT



How small scale activities can be re-oriented to tourism and support the socio-economic development of local communities.

Fitness, Nature & Well-being - FR



Development of a label to promote fitness, well-being and nature in accommodations within PAs.

Transiberiana d'Italia



The epic railroad along italian Appennines run again into the green heart of Italy



#### ☐ Governance





Model of public collaboration with local entrepreneurs for visitor centers management



Improvement of local perception of Protected Areas through participatory approaches



Conflict resolution between protected area managers and a local community through a third party



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### ☐ Young involvement

Biodiver'high school



Awareness-raising among High school students, 15 to 18 years old, with respect to regional biodiversity.

#### Geopark Ambassadors program



Hateg UNESCO Geopark has strong Volunteer and Ambassadors programs involving youngs in decision making > soft skills

### The Bison's Night"



Education and Awareness campaigns for local population, specially children and youngs



- 1. Most economic activities linked to Productive & Tourism / Outdoors sectors
- 2. Diversify and innovate socio-economic activities
- 3. Public private agreements
- 4. Participatory approaches involving local stakeholders



## **Case studies**

#### **ADMINISTRATION – PROTECTED AREA MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY & LOCAL AUTHORITY**

- 1) Economic Strategy and Partnerships Promotion to boost socioeconomic development in Cairngorms National Park Murray Ferguson, Director of Planning and Rural Development, Cairngorms National Park Authority
- 2) Playing our parts- Jim Savege, Chief Executive of Aberdeenshire Council

#### **Break**

#### YOUNG PEOPLE

- 2) Promoting youth employability and involvement in Nature through the John Muir Award Toby Clark, John Muir Award Scotland Manager
- 3) Odisseu Leader project. Attracting young talents to rural areas Teresa Castellà Gardenyes, Odisseu project coordinator & Gemma Estany, Leader group Catalonia network





## Thank you

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