

Three Nations Pyrenean Park

An open door to cross-border cooperation

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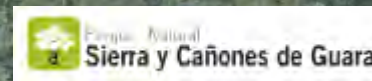
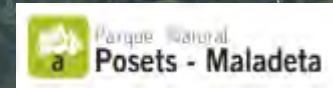


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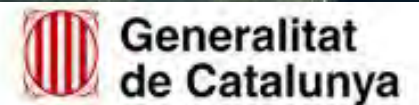
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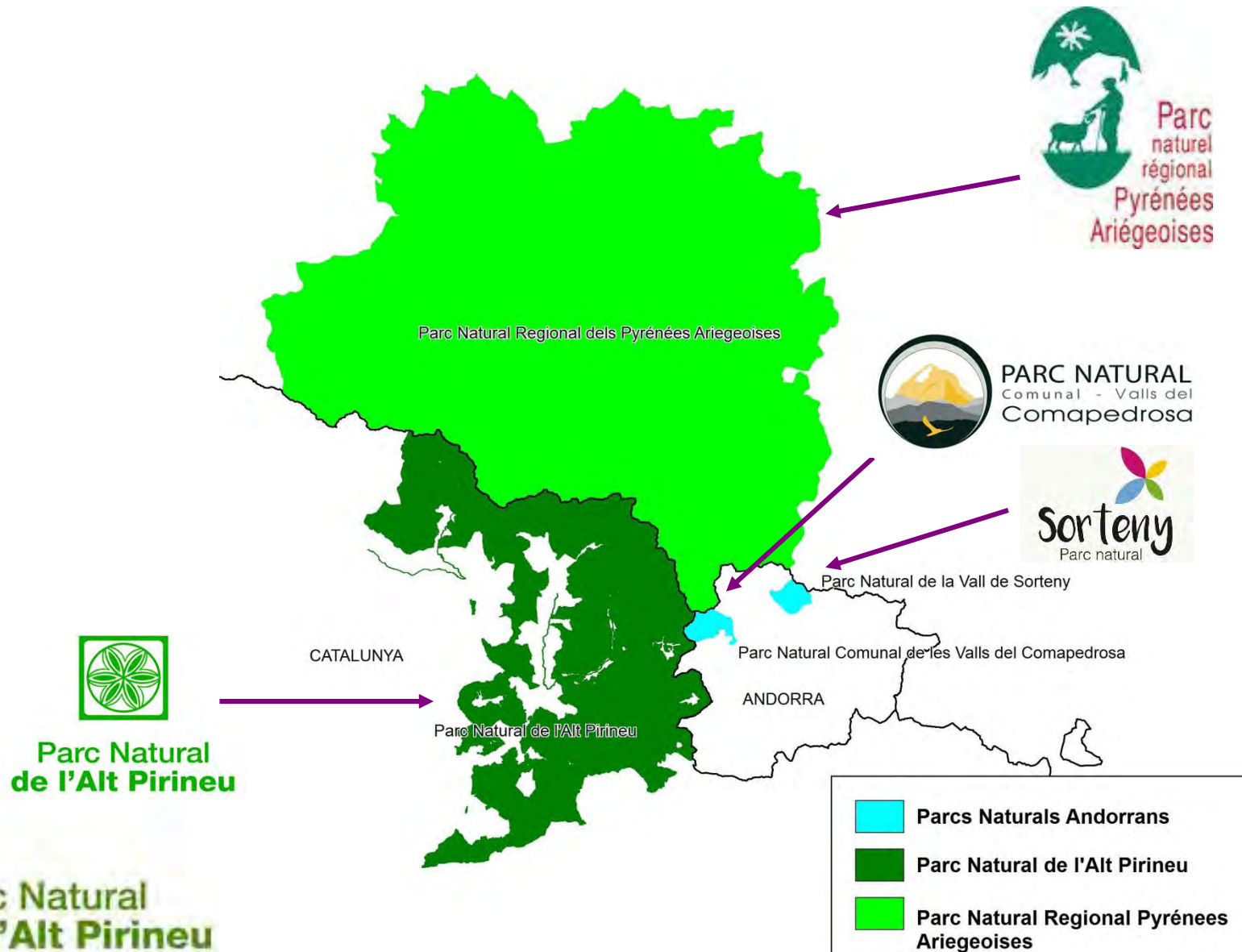
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The cross-border dimension



PARC NATUREL REGIONAL
Pyrénées Ariégoises



PARC NATUREL DE L'
Alt Pirinèu



ANDORRA
Comapedrosa



PARC NATUREL
Sorreny

Alt Pirineu Natural Park

- Creation: 2003
- Area: 79,317 ha (the largest park in Catalonia)
- 2 Nature Reserves
- 15 municipalities in 2 counties
- Management – Autonomous Government Generalitat de Catalunya
- Planning – Management plan pending. Natura 2000 Network guidelines
- Competences – protection of biodiversity, geology, landscape and cultural heritage and uses planning
- Governing body – 38 members (local bodies, Generalitat and socioeconomic agents)
- Scientific council – 30 members
- Managing body - 10 people
- Park Interpreter Guides Association
- Park Local Producers Association
- Funding - Generalitat de Catalunya and own revenues
- Contributions – EU (European projects and aids)
- Europarc regional member since 1997



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Pyrénées Ariégeoises Nature Regional Park

- Creation: 2009
- Area: 246,500 ha
- 141 communes of Ariège Department
- Management – Mixed Syndicate with state support
- Planning – Syndical Charter
- Competences: none (biodiversity management is from the state – Biodiversity Office of France). Promotes and manages actions in the environment and socioeconomic development
- Governing body (Union Committee and Bureau – 28 members) – communes, Departmental Council and Regional Council
- Managing body - 27 people
- Scientific Council
- Friends Park Association
- Financing: 50% Occitanie, 25% Ariège, 25% communes
- Contributions: French State and EU
- Not Europarc member



Valls del Comapedrosa Natural Park

- Creation: 2003
- Area: 1,542 ha
- 1 parish (municipality): Massana
- Management – Environment Department of La Massana
- Planning – Master Plan
- Competences: biodiversity protection and land use management
- Governing body (6 members – municipality and ministry)
- Advisory committee (9 socioeconomic agents)
- Managing body - 3 people
- Funding: Massana Parish and own income
- Contributions: State of Andorra
- Not Europarc member



Vall de Sorteny Natural Park

- Creation: 1999
- Area: 1,080 ha
- 1 parish (municipality): Ordino
- Management – Environment Department of Ordino
- Planning – Master Plan
- Competences: biodiversity protection and land use management
- Governing body (5 members – municipality and ministry)
- Advisory committee (9 socioeconomic agents)
- Managing body - 7 people
- Funding: Ordino parish and own income
- Contributions: State of Andorra
- Not Europarc member



Common values between the 4 parks

High Pyrenean mountain flora

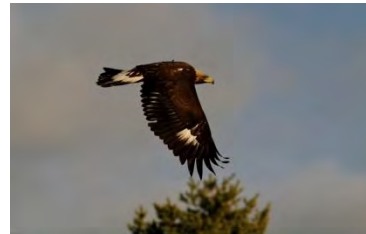
- orchids
- gentians

Pyrenean fauna

- Pallars lizard (world endemism)
- Golden eagle
- Capercaillie
- Ptarmigan
- Bearded vulture
- Chamois
- Iberian ibex
- Musk
- Wild cat
- Brown bear

High mountain habitats

- Subalpine forests
- Glacial lakes
- Peatlands
- Mountain rivers
- Meadows and Mountain pastures



Cattle local breeds

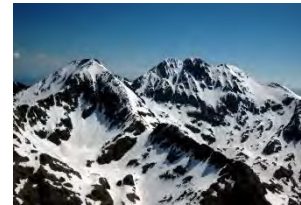
- Aranaese / Tarasconese sheep
- Pyrenees Mountain Dog
- Pyrenean goat
- Catalan Pyrenean /Castillonaise horse
- Pallaresa / Casta cow

Geology

- Shales and granites: emblematic peaks
- Limestone: Caves
- Glacial geomorphology
- Historical mining

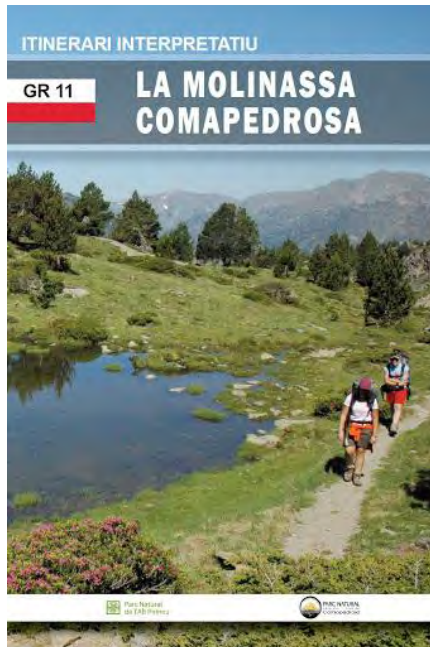
Landscape

- Cutting meadows
- Orris and pletas
- Mountain cabins
- Medieval castles
- Romanesque churches and hermitages
- Hidraulic sawmills and mills
- Rock paved paths



Previous collaborations

- Exchanges and meetings
- Cross-border meetings
- Fairs
- Cross-border itineraries
- Interreg Project POCTEFA GREEN



Three Nations Pyrenean Park International Protocol

- Signature: August 24, 2018
- Common brand of identity and joint tourist promotion
- Prioritizing cross-border cooperation
- Promote joint actions in the field of:
 - Natural, cultural and intangible heritage
 - Landscape
 - Cross-border itineraries
 - Sustainable development
 - Sustainable mobility
 - Ecotourism
 - Renewable energies
 - Climate change adaptation



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- Mobilize human and financial resources to make a joint action plan and search for funding
 - Interreg POCTEFA
 - FEEDER
 - LIFE
- Study to promote a joint candidacy for UNESCO's Man and Biosphere (MAB) program as a Transboundary Biosphere Reserve
- It would be the 5th worldwide between 3 states!

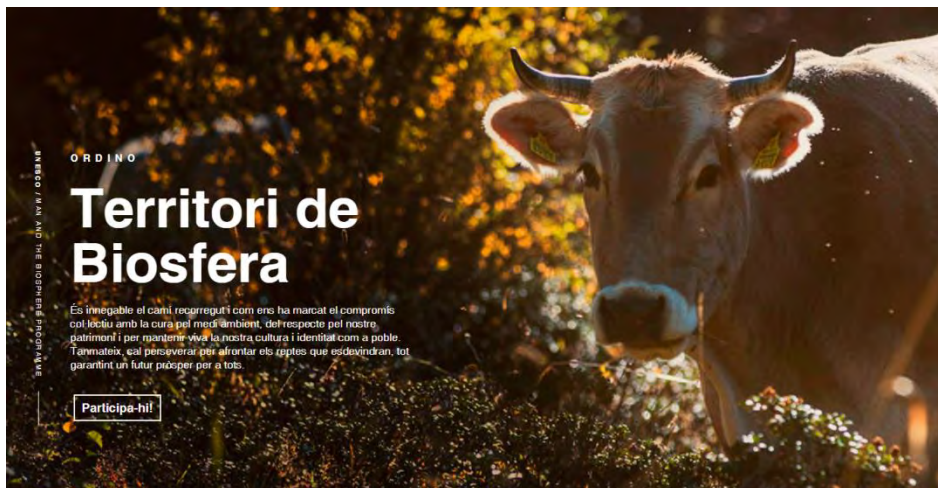
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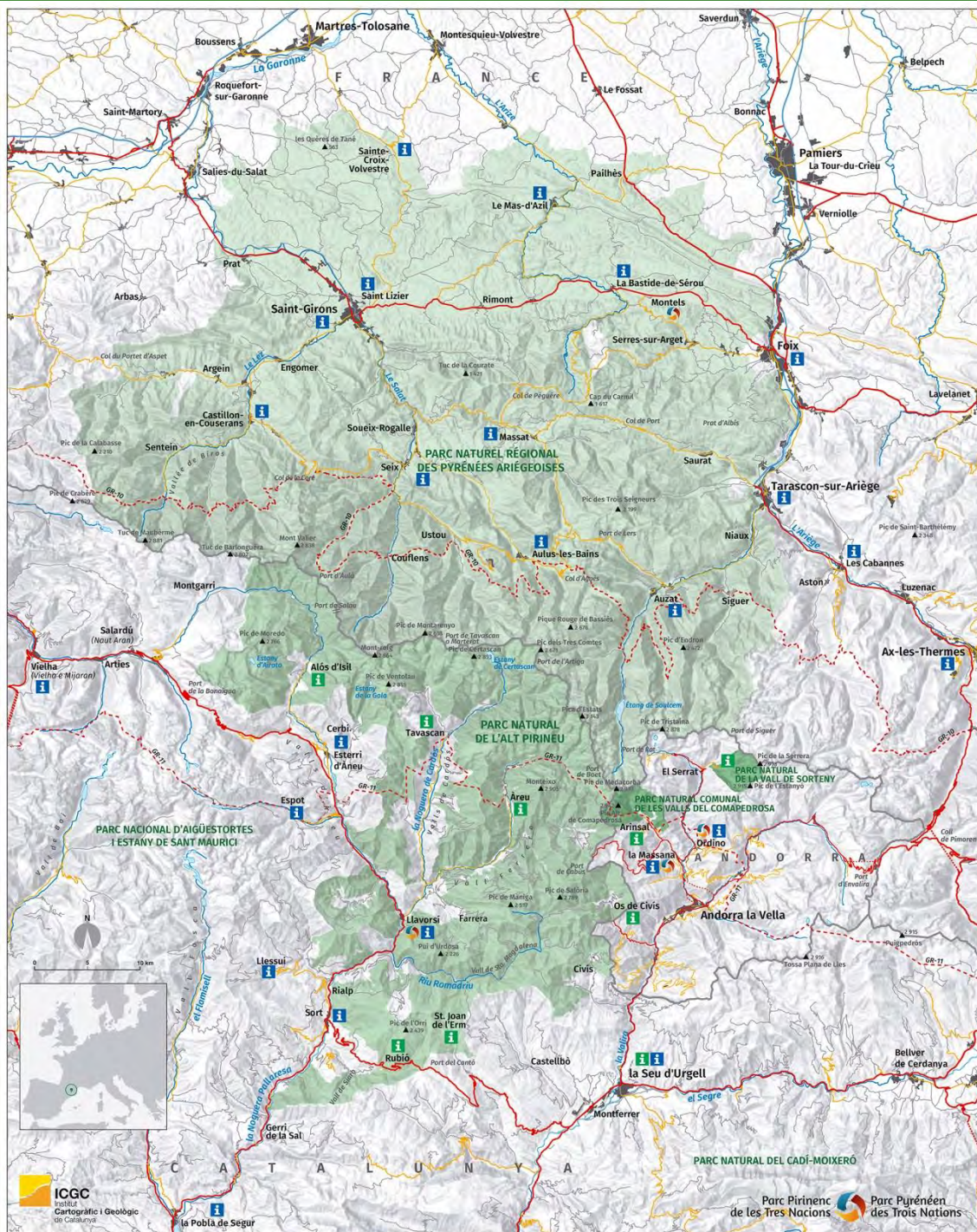


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Man and
the Biosphere
Programme



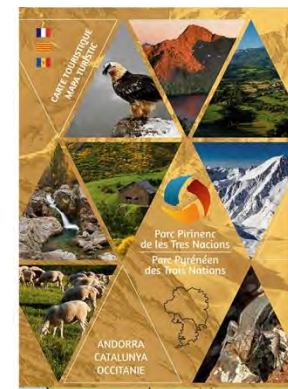


First actions

- New logo
- First joint guide plan



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El Parc Natural Regional de les Pyrénées Ariégeoises es va crear el 2009, en una de les zones més ben conservades del Pirineu francès. Superst més de 3.000 m de la Pico d'Estats i del Montanion, reunida sobre més de 2.500 ha, les muntanyes de la corona frontonera al País dels habitats i els turons costaners del Piemont. És la línia d'una fauna i flora excepcional, paisatges remarcables i molts llacs culturals i edificis d'època prehistòrica de Niaux i dels Mas d'Auzat, castells i ciutat de Saint-Lizier, antigues joguines, castells... L'activitat pastoral de encara molt present i l'abastament de productes locals, alimentaris (formatge, melmelades...) ja artesanals és abundant.

Le Parc naturel régional des Pyrénées Ariégeoises a été créé en 2009, dans l'une des zones les mieux préservées des Pyrénées françaises. Surmonté par le Pique d'Estats et le Montanion à plus de 3 000 m, il réunit sur 2 500 km² les montagnes de la crête frontonère aux vallées habitées et aux collines calcaires du Piémont. Il abrite une faune et une flore exceptionnelles, des paysages remarquables et de nombreux sites et édifices culturels: grottes préhistoriques de Niaux et du Mas d'Auzat, castellaux et cité de Saint-Lizier, églises joguines, châteaux... Le pastoralisme y est encore très vivant et l'offre de produits locaux, alimentaires (fromages, confitures...) ou artisanaux est foisonnante.

Guinebé 800 km² de les comarques del Pallars Sobirà i l'Alt Urgell formen part del Parc Natural de l'Alt Pirinèu, el més extens de Catalunya creat l'any 2003. D'ací combino una gran diversitat de paisatges propis de l'alta i la mitjana muntanya pirinenques, essent els seus valors naturals rics i variats, entre els quals destaquen el solisme de Catalunya, la Pica d'Estats (3.143 m), més de 140 estanyes d'origen glacial, així com extans boscos i prats ben conservats. També destaquen els elements que formen el seu patrimoni cultural, fruit de l'activitat humana mil·lenària sobre el territori, especialment els castells o fortificacions pastorals i la pagèsia de muntanya com les cabanes i les barres.

Le Parc naturel de l'Alt Pirinèu couvre près de 800 km² des comarques du Pallars Sobirà et de l'Alt Urgell. Créé en 2003, c'est le plus grand de Catalogne. Le Parc associe une grande diversité de paysages typiques de la haute et de la moyenne montagne des Pyrénées et un patrimoine naturel riche et varié au sein duquel se distinguent le toit de la Catalogne, la Pica d'Estats (3 143 m), plus de 140 lacs glaciaires, ainsi que de vastes forêts et de prairies préservées. Le Parc abrite également un important patrimoine culturel, fruit des activités humaines millénaires dans les vallées, en particulier celles liées à l'activité pastorale et à la paysannerie de montagne, comme les cabanes et les granges.

El Parc Natural del Comapedrosa es troba al nord-est d'Andorra, a la península de la Massana. Es va declarar l'any 2006 i és, amb una superfície de 1.542 ha, el Parc Natural més gran del país. Entre els elements de major interès destaca l'Alt de Comapedrosa (2.942 m), el cim més alt d'Andorra, així com la notable diversitat biològica que atreu. La missió del parc és protegir, conservar i millorar els valors patrimonials naturals i culturals de l'espai i fer que les generacions actuals i futures en puguin gaudir i promoure l'educació, la investigació i l'ús públic de forma sostenible.



COMAPEDROSA Parc Natural

- Consolidation of cross-border meetings at Tavascan and Boet mountain pas



- Participation in local product fairs (Arrós, Alins, Foix, Castillon, Arinsal, Ordino)



First participatory workshop to promote the Joint Action Plan

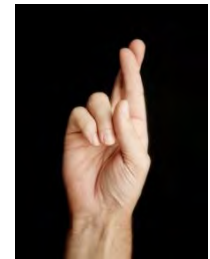
- December 5, 2019 at the Seu d'Urgell
- 4 working groups:
 - Biodiversity
 - Agriculture, livestock and local products
 - Tourism, hiking and shelters
 - Governance



http://parcsnaturals.gencat.cat/ca/detalls/Noticia/24-01-2020_-Taller-PP3N

Next steps

- To continue and strengthen transboundary meetings, fairs and activities
- New web domain
- New exchange actions
- New Interreg POCTEFA projects (Red Bio, Esbossiguem,..)
- Carrying out more participatory workshops to define the Joint Action Plan
- Prepare each one the candidature as a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve
- Trying to convince our neighborhood parks to become Europarc members and apply as Transboundary Park..



Thank you for your attention
We are waiting for you in Alt Pirineu!

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