



# WWF – for a living Danube

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## Vision:

**„Lower Danube: a region where people respect and value nature and traditions as a basis for nature conservation and community prosperity”**





## Our Goals:

1. Promote a supportive policy environment for biodiversity conservation and sustainable natural resource management
2. Protect, manage and restore biodiversity / ecosystems of the Lower Danube region
  - ensure effective biodiversity conservation by network of PAs
  - restore key ecological processes of the lost Danube floodplain
3. To demonstrate and advocate the use of incentive based mechanisms that promote biodiversity conservation, sustainable natural resource management and local prosperity





## Cross-border conservation of *Phalacrocorax pygmeus* and *Aythya nyroca* at key sites in Romania and Bulgaria



- One custody of a SPA taken
- One cross-border protected area
- 4 ha planted with willows
- 300 ha of reed beds properly managed
- 1200 ha of open water available for species at key sites
- 100 ha of temporary non-intrusions zones around breeding colonies
- Mortality rate due to hunting and fishing activities eliminated at key sites
- Garbage collected and controlled to prevent further disposal
- Management structures for Natura 2000 sites
- An web portal and integrated common data base for Natura 2000 sites





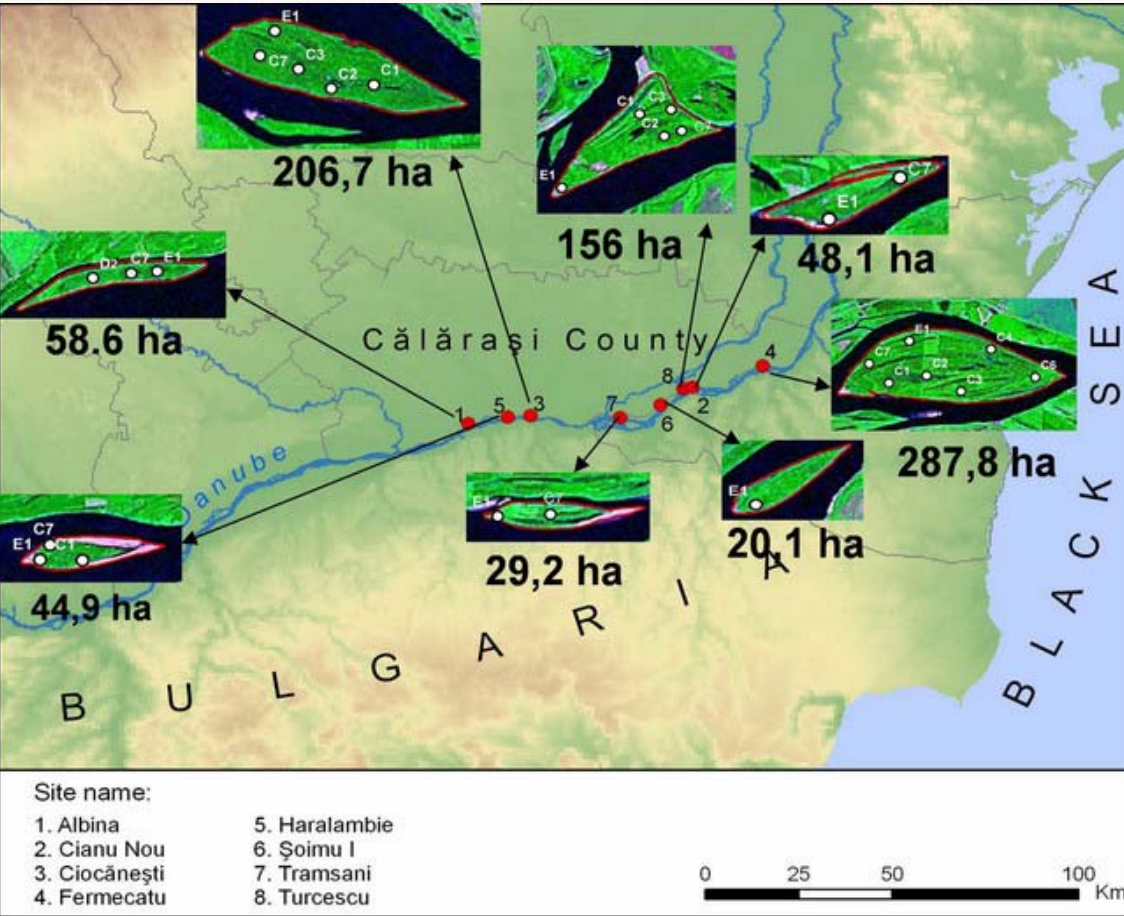
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- Management plans for the Danube islands
- 477 ha of *Salix alba* and *Populus alba* under protection
- 20 artificial platform installed for *Haliaeetus albicilla* and *Falco cherrug*
- 16 ha reforested with native species
- 10 ha afforested with native tree species
- 10 ha of natural floodplain forest designated as strictly protected areas
- 100 m of banks reinforced/consolidated with natural materials
- About 2,5 km of channel reconnected with the river





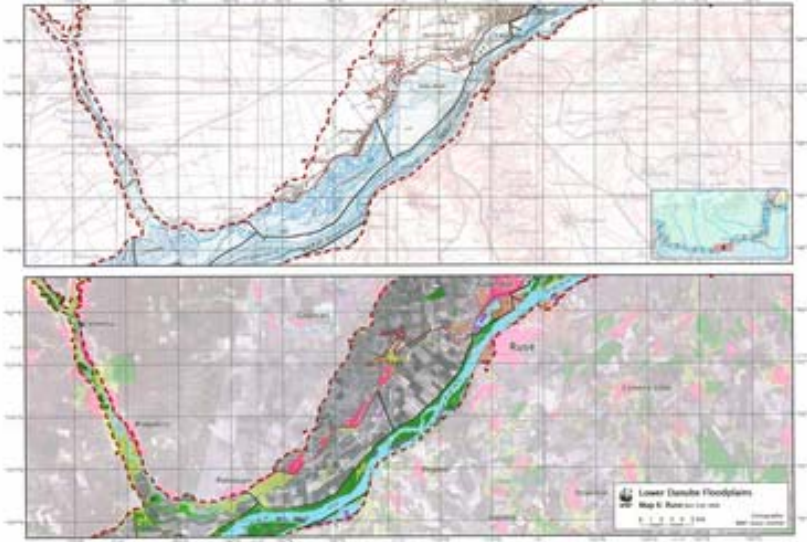
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# Transboundary protection and restoration along the „Green Corridor“ of the Lower Danube



- Develop Management Plan for Cama-Dinu – Pasarica protected area
- Preparing feasibility study to reconnect Garla Pasarea to Vedea









## Danube Delta: A natural gateway to Europe

- Restoration work in Ukraine and Romania
- Ecotourism – ecotourism strategy and eco-lodge designed for Romanian Danube Delta
- Study regarding sustainable navigation







## Making the Network Reality: Natura 2000 and Lower Danube Green Corridor



- Management guidelines for Natura 2000 sites
- Draft management plans for Natura 2000 site
- Report on use of EU funds for Natura 2000 implementation with recommendations
- Model plan for sustainable fish farm management
- Marketing brochure for green agricultural products from Lower Danube Green Corridor
- International conference Danubian People Summit







## Danube Campaign



**“Fit the ships to the river, not the river to the ships”**

**35 000 signatures**





**Work together  
for a living Danube**