

Annual Report and Workplan

Annual report for year 2024 and workplan for year 2025

(6 pages maximum)

Submission deadline: 17 January 2025

1. General information

a. Name of Ramsar Regional Initiative (RRI): ***Carpathian Wetland Initiative***

b. Have the terms of reference (TORs) or equivalent documents been updated? Yes / No
(https://www.cwi.sk/files/Annex4_CWIToRs.pdf)

NOTE: Following [Resolution XIII.9 paragraph 8](#), TORs or equivalent documents must be developed, which contain rules of procedure, structure, governance and membership, including the status of the Convention Secretariat's participation in the RRI, and which should be consistent with the Resolutions and Recommendations of the Conference of the Parties.

c. Is the RRI eligible for core funding from the Secretariat of the Convention on Wetlands?
Yes / No

2. Work and activities undertaken during year 2024

Objectives	Activities	Expected results/ outcomes	Verifiable indicators	Means of verification / source of information	Relevant Ramsar Strategic Plan Goals (link)
<p>1. Wetland benefits are featured in the Carpathian Convention policies, strategies and plans</p>	<p>1.1 Participation in the work of relevant Carpathian Convention working groups, contribution to revision of the work plans of WGs for the period 2024 – 2026 and implementation of the Carpathian Biodiversity Framework</p>	<p><i>Completed Outcomes:</i> Wetlands, their services and benefits and nature-based solutions are integrated in relevant documents of the Carpathian Convention, relevant Protocols, strategies, action plans and projects</p>	<p>Documents, strategies, meeting reports (15th meeting of the WG Biodiversity 17-18 June 2024 Vienna – CWI activities presented, CCIC – consultations, cooperation in the implementation of the LIFE Living Rivers project and LECA project.</p>	<p>Information on the web site of the Carpathian Convention and other; http://www.carpathianconvention.org/2024/03/19/15th-meeting-of-the-working-group-on-biodiversity/ http://www.carpathianconvention.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/14_CWI_15th-WG-Biodiversity_Presentation-Template_CWI_AK-2.pdf http://www.carpathianconvention.org/2024/09/26/15th-ccic/ https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/life/publicWebsite/project/LIFE21-IPE-SK-LIFE-Living-Rivers-101069837/implementation-of-the-river-basin-management-plan-in-selected-river-sub-basins-in-slovakia http://www.carpathianconvention.org/projects_leca/</p>	<p>Goal 1: Addressing the Drivers of Wetland Loss and Degradation</p>

	1.2 Identification and prioritization of invasive alien species and pathways of their introduction and expansion, cooperation in preparation of management responses	<i>Partly completed:</i> Draft List of invasive alien species in the Carpathians review discussed with the WG Biodiversity	Updated List of IAS in the Carpathians is postponed	Information on the web site of the Carpathian Convention: http://www.carpathianconvention.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Guidance-Documents-Streamlining-CBF-into-NBSAPs_FINAL-DRAFT-0702-.pdf	
2. Ecological networks and integrated management of Ramsar Sites are strengthened	2.1 Cooperation in the development of the ecological network in the Carpathians, contribution to relevant projects on continuity and connectivity of habitats in the region, cooperation and advice in the designation of new Ramsar Sites, extension of existing sites; joint management planning	<i>Completed Outcomes:</i> Workshops and meetings with CC Biodiversity WG and other relevant WGs; RISs and maps developed; trans-boundary RS designation and management facilitated	Workshop/meeting; documents on Ramsar Sites: WCPA Europe restoration WG meeting – 27. March 2024 – online; Participation 15 th meeting of the WG Biodiversity 17-18 June 2024 Vienna; participation in workshops of projects on ecological connectivity; activities within the Carpathian Biodiversity Framework adopted at CC COP7; Participation at International course River University focusing on water security in Ukraine in cooperation with SNCSR (1-6 September, Poland) - Presentation on a possible proposal for a new Trilateral Ramsar platform Upper-Tisa valley SK-UA-HU; RISs and maps were developed and are continuously uploaded to RSIS in cooperation with SNCSR	Information on the web site of the Carpathian Convention and CWI: https://portals.iucn.org/iucn-account/user/login?destination=oauth2/authorize%3Fclient_id%3Diucn_engage%26response_type%3Dcode%26scope%3Dopenid%26email%26profile%26redirect_uri%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Fengage.iucn.org%252Fopenid-connect%252Fgeneric%26state%3DOTI98jR2iv1FyWYHd9IF-PmwIG7nYH2RQM_7XWBS10;https://www.ccb.se/river-university-2024	Goal 2: Effectively Conserving and Managing the Ramsar Site Network

	2.2 Development of network of Carpathian Ramsar Sites managers	<i>Completed Outcomes:</i> Network of Carpathian Ramsar Sites managers developed and involved in the CWI work	RS managers contacted and involved in the activities, questionnaire was developed and distributed	Word document	
	2.3 Cooperation with other networks of protected areas (CNPA, ALPARC, DANUBEPARKS) within existing MoC and with other partners (Wetlands International, EUSDR PA6, EUROPARC, Eurosite, IUCN, CEEweb) in development of new documents and projects	<i>Completed Outcomes:</i> Strategic documents; project proposals consulted (with Wetlands International Europe, DANUBEPARKS, Eurosite); events of partner organizations promoted; ALPARC Youth at the Top event supported, CWI approved as observer to the EUSDR PA6 Steering Group; communication within EUSDR,	Meetings, meeting reports, project drafts prepared; Implementation project Reconnecting the Latorica river floodplain landscape in a transboundary context funded by the Endangered Landscapes & Seascapes Program in cooperation with Wetlands International; participation at ALPARC Youth at the Top event in cooperation with SNCSR, on-line meeting with Eurosite and DANUBEPARKS (29. November and 20. June 2024)	Information on the web site of the Carpathian Convention, CWI and partners: https://www.endangeredlandscapes.org/project/latorica/ ; https://youth-at-the-top.org/en/edition/item/499-slovakia-chranena-krajina-oblast-horna-orava	
3. Wetlands conservation, restoration and maintenance supported	3.1 Initiating wetlands inventory in the Carpathians	<i>Completed Outcomes:</i> Project proposal on wetlands distribution, values in the Carpathians discussed, funding opportunities identified	Project proposal	Project documentation	Goal 3: Wisely Using All Wetlands
	3.2 Cooperation with the Secretariat of the Carpathian Convention and Science for the Carpathians in review of the Carpathian Red List of habitats and species and in research and monitoring	<i>Partly completed:</i> Work plan on Red Lists revision and involvement of CWI	Meetings, meeting reports,	Information on the web site of the Carpathian Convention, CWI and partners	

	<p>3.3 Sharing ideas and experience on wetlands restoration planning to harmonise national restoration plans under the EU Nature Restoration Law with a view to wetland habitats and species protected by the Habitats and Birds Directives, as well as to Nature-based Solutions and Ecosystem-based adaptation</p>	<p><i>Completed Outcomes:</i> Workshops, webinars, conferences and study tours to wetland restoration examples with focus on river and peatlands conservation, restoration and paludiculture, to emphasize the crucial role of peatlands and floodplains in climate change adaptation</p>	<p>At least one event facilitated: Expert Workshop - Wetlands and Climate change 9.4.2024 Námestovo, SK (organized within the project Ecohydrological Restoration of Peatlands in Carpathians) in cooperation with SNCSR - sharing information and project promotion; Eurosite Workshop on linking biodiversity monitoring and Earth observation (17 Dec., Bratislava) – cooperation in organizing and event promoted</p>	<p>Information on the CWI web site https://www.cwi.sk/files/Ecohydrological_restoration_peatlands_in_the_Carpathians.pdf; https://eeagrants.org/archive/2014-2021/projects/SK-CLIMATE-0039; https://www.eurosite.org/eurosite-remote-sensing-support-group-erssg/; https://www.eurosite.org/earth-observation-essential-support-for-nature-conservation/</p>	
	<p>3.4 Cooperation in preparation of projects aimed at wetland conservation, maintenance, restoration and wise use, climate adaptation and mitigation, search for potential areas to increase the “sponge” capacity of the landscape as a nature-based adaptation to the impacts of climate change</p>	<p><i>Completed Outcomes:</i> Potential sites for restoration identified; relevant project proposals consulted and developed; approved projects implemented</p>	<p>Project proposals; project activities implemented: In cooperation with Wetlands International and State Nature Conservancy project Reconnecting the Latorica river floodplain landscape in a transboundary context was successfully implemented. Potential sites (Orava peatlands in the Slovak-Polish borders) were visited and future activities were discussed with relevant experts.</p>	<p>Project documentation; project websites: e-mail communication, https://www.endangeredlandscapes.org/project/latorica/</p>	

4. Wetlands conservation, management and wise use mainstreamed through communication, capacity development, education, participation and awareness	4.1 Preparation of publications and promotion of CWI and Carpathian wetlands, communication of CWI activities; maintenance of CWI web site; involvement to the Carpathian ESD Expert Network	<i>Completed Outcomes:</i> Publications on CWI and the Carpathian wetlands and their functions and services; web site updated. ESD event - Carpathian Education for Sustainable Development Expert Network (CESDEN).	Updated information on the web: Participation at Step Forward educational festival - New Approaches to ESD in the Carpathians and Beyond (12-14 Nov. 2024, Košice, Slovakia)	Information on the CC web site; http://www.carpathianconvention.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/Steps-for-ward_Event-concept-call-for-contributions.pdf	Goal 4: Enhancing Implementation
	4.2 Promotion of the World Wetlands Day in the Carpathians	<i>Completed Outcomes:</i> WWD events initiated and promoted within the CWI Board	Ramsar Newsletter and materials on WWD 2024 distributed	E-mail communication	
	4.3 Training and capacity building activities for wetland managers and other stakeholders	<i>Completed Outcomes:</i> Training course on wetlands and rivers restoration, prepared, implemented and supported;	Training course on River and Wetland Restoration organized in cooperation with the Czech MoE (6-11 Oct. 2024 in CZ, Elbe River basin); 16 participants, 3 participants were financially supported from CWI budget;	Information on the CWI web site; https://www.cwi.sk/index.php?page=news	
5. Cooperation with other regional initiatives and partners strengthened	5.1 Support and cooperation within the European Coalition of RRIs	<i>Partly completed</i> Supporting documents, joint events, statements	Consultations within the RRIs, presentation on activities of the CWI	Annual meeting of the RRIs with Ramsar Secretariat 25 Jan. 2024	Goal 4: Enhancing Implementation

	5.2 Consultations with DANUBEPARKS and Danube Wild Islands RRI	<i>Completed Outcomes</i> : E-mail communication, Consultations, meetings with DANUBEPARKS (GA) and Danube Wild Islands RRI	Documents, meetings reports: Danube Wild Islands RRI kick off meeting 11 September 2024 Tulcea, Romania; DANUBEPARKS General Assembly 7 September Tulcea, Romania); Meeting with Danube Wild Islands representatives, 4 November 2024 Bratislava, Slovakia	Documentation; Information on the web: https://wildisland.danubeparks.org/news-media/detail/news/rri-internal-kick-off/?tx_news_pi1%5Bcontrol%5D=News&tx_news_pi1%5Baction%5D=detail&cHash=2c31afe34348b235f5d472b8d5b14929 ; https://danubeparks.org/news/danubeparks-general-assembly-2024 ; https://wildisland.danubeparks.org/news-media/detail/news/cwi/?tx_news_pi1%5Bcontrol%5D=News&tx_news_pi1%5Baction%5D=detail&cHash=907f232661eef69a731bfe00cd49e95	
	5.3 Initiation, reinforcement and/or formalization of cooperation with partner organizations	<i>Partly completed</i> Communication with partner organizations	Documents prepared, letters, e-mail communication	Documentation, report	
6. Operation and governance of the CWI reinforced	6.1 Communication and consultations with the Secretariat of the Carpathian Convention, CNPA Steering Committee, members, SNCSR and partners on establishment of the CWI association	<i>Partly completed</i> <i>Outcome:</i> Conclusions of the meetings and consultation process	Informal consultations with the CNPA chair, CC Secretariat and the Ramsar Convention secretariat; Decision COP7/9 Conservation and sustainable use of biological and landscape diversity	http://www.carpathianconvention.org/cop7/docs/officialdocuments/CC_COP7_DOC3_COP7%20DECISIONS_ADOPTED.pdf	Goal 4: Enhancing Implementation
	6.2 Review of the CWI Terms of Reference according to the new Operational Guidelines for RRI	<i>Not completed</i> Revision of the ToR postponed due to unfinished transformation process and continued discussions on the governance	Decision COP7/9 Conservation and sustainable use of biological and landscape diversity	http://www.carpathianconvention.org/cop7/docs/officialdocuments/CC_COP7_DOC3_COP7%20DECISIONS_ADOPTED.pdf	

	6.3 Operation of the Carpathian Wetland Centre, CWI coordination, fundraising, meeting of CWI Board members	<i>Completed Outcomes:</i> Wetland Centre maintained, wetland library supplemented, staff partly supported, CWI Board members regularly contacted and informed, questionnaire distributed; CWI Board address list updated, Board completed with CC National Focal Points;	Report; CWI Board address list; voluntary contribution to the CWI budget by the Ministry of Agriculture, Hungary, questionnaire addressed to CWI board and partners	E-mail communication, Information on the web: https://www.cwi.sk/in-dex.php?page=contact	
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3. Key achievements / results during year 2024

- a. Please describe briefly the two or three main achievements / results during year 2024 (max. 200 words).

Networking with the other RRIs; RRI Danube WILDIsland - participation at kick-off meeting in Romania and next meeting in Bratislava where future cooperation and common projects were discussed; RRI MedWet – e-mail communication and on-line meeting to find out what would be the most useful activities to run (trainings, promotion of Ramsar Convention, sharing expertise).

Cooperation with Wetlands International on the implementation of transboundary (SK-UA) project Reconnecting the Latorica river floodplain landscape in a transboundary context. The project is the basis to establish active transboundary cooperation, which has been lacking between the countries and will lead to the co-development of a shared vision for the landscape's future

International training course on River and Wetland Restoration organized in cooperation with the Czech Ministry of Environment;

- b. For those RRIs receiving funding from the Convention in 2024 if there were changes to the work plan for year 2024, including postponement or delay, please indicate the reasons (max. 200 words).

- c. Please describe briefly the two or three main challenges and lessons learned and planned measures to overcome or apply those (max. 200 words).

Coordination capacities for RRI, combined with the workload of focal points in respective countries and partners managing other priorities.

The governance and legal framework of the RRI will be addressed through ongoing communication and consultations with the Secretariats of the Carpathian and Ramsar Conventions, the Steering Committee of the Carpathian Network of Protected Areas, the Ministry of Environment of the Slovak Republic, the State Nature Conservancy of the Slovak Republic, CWI Board members, and partner organizations.

4. Financial report for year 2024

Total planned budget for year 2024: **46,673 EUR** (46,673 CHF) (as submitted in last year's plan)

Average exchange rate EUR to CHF: 0.941

Details of sources of income and amounts:

Sources of income *	Income received
SNC SR SK	6,640.00 EUR
Ministry of Environment SK	1,920.00 EUR
Ministry of Environment CZ	6,000.00 EUR
Ministry of Agriculture HU	1,000.00 EUR
UNE Secretariat of the Carpathian Convention	200.00 EUR
DANUBEPARKS Association	114.54 EUR
Wetlands International	1,000.00 EUR
Danube-Carpathian Programme NGO UA, EOCA, ORTIVOX	
Ramsar funding – amount left from previous years	0,78 EUR
Total (EUR)	16,875.32 EUR
	15,862.21 CHF

Detailed expenditure:

Activities	Planned expenditure	Actual expenditure (CHF)
1.1 Participation in the work of relevant Carpathian Convention working groups	1,000 EUR	519 EUR
1.2 Identification and prioritization of IAS and pathways of their introduction and expansion	1,000 EUR	0,00 EUR
2.1 Cooperation in the development of the ecological network in the Carpathians, designation of new Ramsar Sites, joint management planning	1,000 EUR	1,120 EUR
2.2 Development of network of Carpathian Ramsar Sites managers	500 EUR	0,00 EUR
2.3 Cooperation with other networks of protected areas and with other partners on ecological connectivity	1,000 EUR	400 EUR
3.1 Initiating wetlands inventory in the Carpathians	1,000 EUR	0,00 EUR
3.2 Cooperation with the Secretariat of the CC and S4C in review of the Carpathian Red Lists	1,000 EUR	0,00 EUR
3.3 Sharing experience on wetlands restoration in Europe	1,500 EUR	0,00 EUR
3.4 Cooperation in preparation of projects on wetland conservation, maintenance, restoration and wise use, climate adaptation and mitigation	11,000 EUR	1020 EUR
4.1 Preparation of publications and promotion of CWI and Carpathian wetlands, communication of CWI activities; maintenance of CWI web site	3,000 EUR	434 EUR
4.2 Promotion of the World Wetlands Day in the Carpathians	500 EUR	0,00 EUR
4.3 Training and capacity building activities for wetland managers and other stakeholders	7,000 EUR	6,706 EUR
5.1 Support and cooperation within the European Coalition of RRIs	700 EUR	0,00 EUR
5.2 Consultations with DANUBEPARKS and Danube Wild Islands RRI	500 EUR	123 EUR

5.3 Initiation, reinforcement and/or formalization of cooperation with partner organizations	500 EUR	0 ,00 EUR
6.1 Communication and consultations with the CC Secretariat, CNPA SC, members and partners on establishment of the CWI association	1,000 EUR	1,160 EUR
6.2 Review of the CWI ToR according to the new Operational Guidelines for RRI, consultations	1,000 EUR	0 ,00 EUR
6.3 Operation of the Carpathian Wetland Centre, CWI coordination, fund raising, meeting of CWI Board	8,500 EUR	4,500 EUR
Total (EUR)	41,700 EUR	15,982 EUR
		15,022.52 CHF

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on 10 January 2025

Financial balance

CWI Ramsar funding (24126) (amount left)	0.78 €
CWI budget from Hungary (24124) (voluntary contributions MoA HU)	9,734.71 €
CWI budget from the Czech Republic (24125) (voluntary contrib. MoE CZ)	497.29 €
CWI budget from the Slovak Republic (24127) (voluntary contrib. MoE SK)	2,322.53 €

Total amount of unspent and uncommitted balance to be carried over to 2024: **12,555.31 EUR = 11,803.87 CHF**

Average exchange rate EUR to CHF: 0.941

5. Work and activities planned for 2025

Objectives	Activities	Expected results/ outcomes	Verifiable indicators	Means of verification / source of information	Relevant Ramsar Strategic Plan Goals (link)
1. Wetland benefits are featured in the Carpathian Convention policies, strategies and plans	1.1 Participation in the work of relevant Carpathian Convention working groups, contribution to revision of the work plans of WGs for the period 2024 – 2026 and implementation of the Carpathian Biodiversity Framework	Wetlands, their services and benefits and nature-based solutions are integrated in relevant documents of the Carpathian Convention, relevant Protocols, strategies, action plans and projects	Documents, project proposals	Information on the web site of the Carpathian Convention and CWI	Goal 1: Addressing the Drivers of Wetland Loss and Degradation
	1.2 Identification and prioritization of invasive alien species and pathways of their introduction and expansion, cooperation in preparation of management responses	Draft List of invasive alien species in the Carpathians reviewed	Updated List of IAS in the Carpathians	Information on the web site of the Carpathian Convention and CWI	
2. Ecological networks and integrated management of Ramsar Sites are strengthened	2.1 Cooperation in the development of the ecological network in the Carpathians, contribution to relevant projects on continuity and connectivity of habitats in the region, cooperation and advice in the designation of new Ramsar Sites, extension of existing sites; joint management planning	Workshops and meetings with CC Biodiversity WG and other relevant WGs; RISs and maps developed; trans-boundary RS designation and management facilitated	At least one workshop / meeting; documents on Ramsar Sites	Information on the web site of the Carpathian Convention and CWI	Goal 2: Effectively Conserving and Managing the Ramsar Site Network
	2.2 Development of network of Carpathian Ramsar Sites managers	Network of Carpathian Ramsar Sites managers developed and involved in the CWI work	RS managers contacted and involved, participation in the activities	Information on the CWI web site	

	2.3 Cooperation with other networks of protected areas (CNPA, ALPARC, DANUBEPARKS) within existing MoC and with other partners (Wetlands International, EUSDR PA6, EUROPARC, Eurosite, IUCN, CEEweb) in development of new documents and projects	Strategic documents; project drafts consulted and developed	Meetings, meeting reports, project drafts prepared	Information on the web site of the Carpathian Convention, CWI and partners	
3. Wetlands conservation, restoration and maintenance supported	3.1 Initiating wetlands inventory in the Carpathians	Project proposal on wetlands distribution, values in the Carpathians discussed, funding opportunities identified	Project proposal	Project documentation	Goal 3: Wisely Using All Wetlands
	3.2 Cooperation with the Secretariat of the Carpathian Convention and Science for the Carpathians in review of the Carpathian Red List of habitats and species and in research and monitoring	Work plan on Red Lists revision and involvement of CWI	Meetings, meeting reports, project draft prepared	Information on the web site of the Carpathian Convention, CWI and partners	
	3.3 Sharing ideas and experience on wetlands restoration planning to harmonise national restoration plans under the EU Nature Restoration Law with a view to wetland habitats and species protected by the Habitats and Birds Directives, as well as to Nature-based Solutions and Ecosystem-based adaptation	Workshops, webinars, conferences and study tours to wetland restoration examples with focus on peatlands conservation, restoration and paludiculture, to emphasize the crucial role of peatlands in climate change adaptation	At least one event facilitated	Information on the CWI web site	

	3.4 Cooperation in preparation of projects aimed at wetland conservation, maintenance, restoration and wise use, climate adaptation and mitigation, search for potential areas to increase the “sponge” capacity of the landscape as a nature-based adaptation to the impacts of climate change	Potential sites for restoration identified; relevant project proposals consulted and developed; approved projects implemented	Project proposals; project activities implemented	Project documentation; project websites	
4. Wetlands conservation, management and wise use mainstreamed through communication, capacity development, education, participation and awareness	4.1 Preparation of publications and promotion of CWI and Carpathian wetlands, communication of CWI activities; maintenance of CWI web site; involvement to the Carpathian ESD Expert Network	Publications on CWI and the Carpathian wetlands and their functions and services; web site updated	Updated information on the web	Information on the CWI web site;	Goal 4: Enhancing Implementation
	4.2 Promotion of the World Wetlands Day in the Carpathians	WWD events initiated and promoted	Information of WWD events	Information on the CWI web site	
	4.3 Training and capacity building activities for wetland managers and other stakeholders	Training/course/study trip on wetlands/rivers restoration, free-flowing rivers, fish migration prepared and implemented	At least one training event	Information on the CWI web site	
5. Cooperation with other regional initiatives and partners strengthened	5.1 Support and cooperation within the European Coalition of RRIs	Supporting documents, joint events, statements	Documents	Information on the web	Goal 4: Enhancing Implementation
	5.2 Consultations with DANUBEP-ARKS and Danube Wild Islands RRI	Meetings, supporting documents	Documents	Documentation; Information on the web	
	5.3 Initiation, reinforcement and/or formalization of cooperation with partner organizations	Invitation, letters of support and/or agreements with partner organizations	Documents	Documentation	

6. Operation and governance of the CWI reinforced	6.1 Communication and consultations with the Secretariat of the Carpathian Convention, CNPA Steering Committee, members, SNCSR and partners on establishment of the CWI association	Conclusions of the meetings and consultation process	Documents	Documentation	Goal 4: Enhancing Implementation
	6.2 Review of the CWI Terms of Reference according to the new Operational Guidelines for RRI's	ToR consulted, updated and prepared for a adoption at the CCIC and CCOP7	Document	Information on the web	
	6.3 Operation of the Carpathian Wetland Centre, CWI coordination, fundraising, meeting of CWI Board members	Wetland Centre maintained, wetland library supplemented, staff supported, CWI Board meeting organized	Report	Information on the web	

6. Financial plan for year 2025

For those RRI's *not* receiving funding from the Convention in 2024, please provide the necessary information in the table below.

Total planned budget: 35,338.81 CHF
Average exchange rate EUR to CHF: 0.941

Details of planned income sources and amount:

Sources of income	Forecast / budgeted income (EUR/CHF)
State Nature Conservancy SNC SR / MoE SK	15,500.00
Ministry of Environment CZ	6,000.00
Ministry of Agriculture HU	1,000.00
UNE Secretariat of the Carpathian Convention	2,500.00
DCP UA, EOCA, ORTOVOX, WFN (project funding)	0,00
CWI budget from MA Hungary (24124)	9,734.71
CWI budget from MoE Czech Republic (24125)	497.29
CWI budget from MoE Slovak Republic (24127)	2,322.53
Total (EUR)	37,554.53 EUR
	35,338.81 CHF

Details of planned expenditure:

Activities	Planned expenditure	Sources of income
1.1 Participation in the work of relevant Carpathian Convention working groups	1,000 EUR	SNC SR 500 UNE SCC 500
1.2 Identification and prioritization of IAS and pathways of their introduction and expansion	1,000 EUR	SNC SR 500 UNE SCC 500

2.1 Cooperation in the development of the ecological network in the Carpathians, designation of new Ramsar Sites, joint management planning	1,000 EUR	SNC SR 500 CWI budget HU 500
2.2 Development of network of Carpathian Ramsar Sites managers	500 EUR	SNC SR 500
2.3 Cooperation with other networks of protected areas and with other partners on ecological connectivity	1,000 EUR	SNC SR 500 CWI budget HU 500
3.1 Initiating wetlands inventory in the Carpathians	1,000 EUR	SNC SR 500 CWI budget HU 500
3.2 Cooperation with the Secretariat of the CC and S4C in review of the Carpathian Red Lists	1,000 EUR	SNC SR 500 UNE SCC 500
3.3 Sharing experience on wetlands restoration in Europe	1,500 EUR	CWI budget CZ 500 CWI budget HU 500 CWI budget MoE SK 500
3.4 Cooperation in preparation of projects on wetland conservation, maintenance, restoration and wise use, climate adaptation and mitigation	1,000 EUR	SNC SR 500 UNE SCC 500
4.1 Preparation of publications and promotion of CWI and Carpathian wetlands, communication of CWI activities; maintenance of CWI web site	3,000 EUR	SNC SR 500 CWI budget HU 2,000 CWI budget MoE SK 500
4.2 Promotion of the World Wetlands Day in the Carpathians	500 EUR	SNC SR 500
4.3 Training and capacity building activities for wetland managers and other stakeholders	7,000 EUR	MoE CZ 6,000 CWI budget HU 1,500 SNC SR 500
5.1 Support and cooperation within the European Coalition of RRIs	700 EUR	CWI budget HU 700
5.2 Consultations with DANUBEPARKS and Danube Wild Islands RRI	500 EUR	SNC SR 500
5.3 Initiation, reinforcement and/or formalization of cooperation with partner organizations	500 EUR	SNC SR 500
6.1 Communication and consultations with the CC Secretariat, CNPA SC, members and partners on establishment of the CWI association	1,000 EUR	SNC SR 500 CWI budget MoE SK 500
6.2 Review of the CWI ToR according to the new Operational Guidelines for RRIs, consultations	1,000 EUR	SNC SR 500 UNE CC 500
6.3 Operation of the Carpathian Wetland Centre, CWI coordination, fund raising, meeting of CWI Board	8,500 EUR	SNC SR 8,000 CWI budget MoE SK 500
Total (CHF)	32,700	32,700

This report is certified by Natália Kubicová, CWI coordinator on 10 January 2025

Explanatory notes

1. Terms of reference of RRIs

Following [Resolution XIII.9 paragraph 8](#), RRIs must develop terms of reference, which cover their own rules of procedure, structure, governance, membership, including the status of the Convention Secretariat's participation in the RRI, and which should be consistent with the Resolutions and Recommendations of the Conference of Parties ([Resolution XIII.9](#)). Equivalent documents must cover the same items.

2. Eligible for core funding from the Secretariat

Following the Operational Guidelines, financial assistance to an RRI from the core budget is provided for a limited period of time, in principle only for a period corresponding to [Resolution XIII.9 paragraph 8.g](#)).

3. Items in activity tables

To fill out the table for undertaken activities and planned activities, please make sure that "Objectives", "Activities", "Results/outcomes", "Verifiable indicators" and "Means of verification / source of information" are consistent with the submitted plan for the year.

- Objectives: Please indicate a specific statement narrating a desired accomplishment or outcome (e.g. to improve capacity of the RRI members in the management of wetlands).
- Results/outcomes: Please indicate whether planned activities are completed or not. If you organized a workshop/seminar/training course, please specify the number of attendees including gender information (e.g. XX trainings were organized, XX people attended (XX women, XX men)). This information will enable assessment of achievements and results.
- Verifiable indicators: Indicators are to measure progress and achievement. Please include indicators to verify to what extent progress is being made towards results/outcomes and how those results/outcomes are achieved (e.g. the number of training courses, the number of publications).
- Means of verification / source of information: Please add means of verification, which show how the information about the indicator can be obtained (e.g. training reports, modules).
- Relevance to the Ramsar Strategic Plan: Please indicate which of the goals of the Ramsar Strategic Plan each of the objectives most contributes to.