

## International cooperation offer

### *Project title:*

### **PARKS PROTECTION II - Management, Protection and Economic Development of protected areas**



### **Main objectives**

- exploitation of natural and anthropogenic environment, enhancement and maintenance of existing infrastructure
- new opportunities of occupation
- economic development through the educational tourism
- ensurance and disclosure of natural ecosystems' value, as biologic reserve and as economic good

### **Activities**

- Educational weeks – one per each region, including workshops on thematic categories as follows:
  - Forest botany: habitat types, systematic botany, rare flora, protection of biodiversity
  - Landscape ecology: uses of land, Mediterranean landscape, desertification
  - Wildlife: endangered species, preserve fauna and habitats
  - Management and ecodevelopment of protected areas: protected areas, national parks, ecotourism, agrotourism, sustainable management, ecological networks
- Route Mapping: Educational paths along characteristic places of protected areas
- Promotion of the project: presentation events, contact with universities and research institutions, brochures, publications on websites

### **Partners' description**

Participants who are established in areas rich in cultural resources and natural environment



## **Expected results**

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The expected results concern the project's participants in whole and specifically each region of intervention:

- Network of protected areas to exploit good practice in :
  - handling with development issues
  - protection of natural ecosystems
  - development of educational programmes
- Emergence of protected areas as benchmarks to attract visitors and to develop economic interest activities:
  - elongation of touristic period
  - new options for visiting the areas
  - strengthen entrepreneurship

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