



# Landcare Europe

*Workshop in Jaén, Andalucía, Spain*

7 March 2023

**Agroforestry systems to improve biodiversity, water & soil management & economic viability in & outside Natura 2000 areas**

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# What is **LANDCARE EUROPE**?

The network that brings together **agriculture, nature conservation and communities** for biodiversity, resilient ecosystems and quality of life in our **European cultural heritage landscapes**.



# The farmers we work with...

- ... cultivate grasslands, farmland, wetlands and special crops
- ... in a conventional or non-conventional manner
- ... on farms stretching from <1 ha to >1.000 ha
- ... on private, public and communal land
- ... as family or agri-businesses

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# Landcare organisations in numbers

Results from a survey on the 8 founding partners (survey Nov 2021)



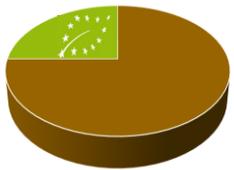
**Cooperation** with 34 countries on 5 continents

Over **2000 employees**



**Securing income** & employment in rural areas

**Farm land** management from **1 ha ... 1000 ha**



**75% conventional farmers**

Over **100,000 consultations** of farmers, citizens and politicians



# Our objectives

**Exchange** 

On key factors for  
successful cooperative nature conservation

**Engage** 

With EU politics

**Expand** 

To all European countries



# LANDCARE EUROPE activities

 **Promoting Landcare** as effective and necessary cooperative link between nature conservation, agriculture and communities.

 **Exchanging knowledge & best practices** beyond borders to better implement EU environmental targets within an agricultural context.

 **Supporting activities** of national Landcare organisations and the creation of new organisations.

 **Consulting** of policy makers and supporting the national implementation of EU policies & strategies.

# We contribute to EU objectives

● Habitats, Birds & Water Framework Directives

● European Green Deal 2050

- EU Biodiversity Strategy 2030
- EU Soil Strategy 2030
- Nature Restoration Law
- Farm-to-Fork Strategy
- EU Climate Adaptation Strategy

**Common  
Agricultural  
Policy (CAP)**



# LANDCARE EUROPE – Timeline

## First exchanges

2007-2017

Scotland, Poland, Spain, Italy,  
Romania, Ireland, ...



## EU Support

2021



April 2022  
Italy



July 2022  
Romania



Sept 2022  
Online



## Seminal Conference

2017

Presentation of network  
idea at EU level



## Workshops & Webinars

2022/2023

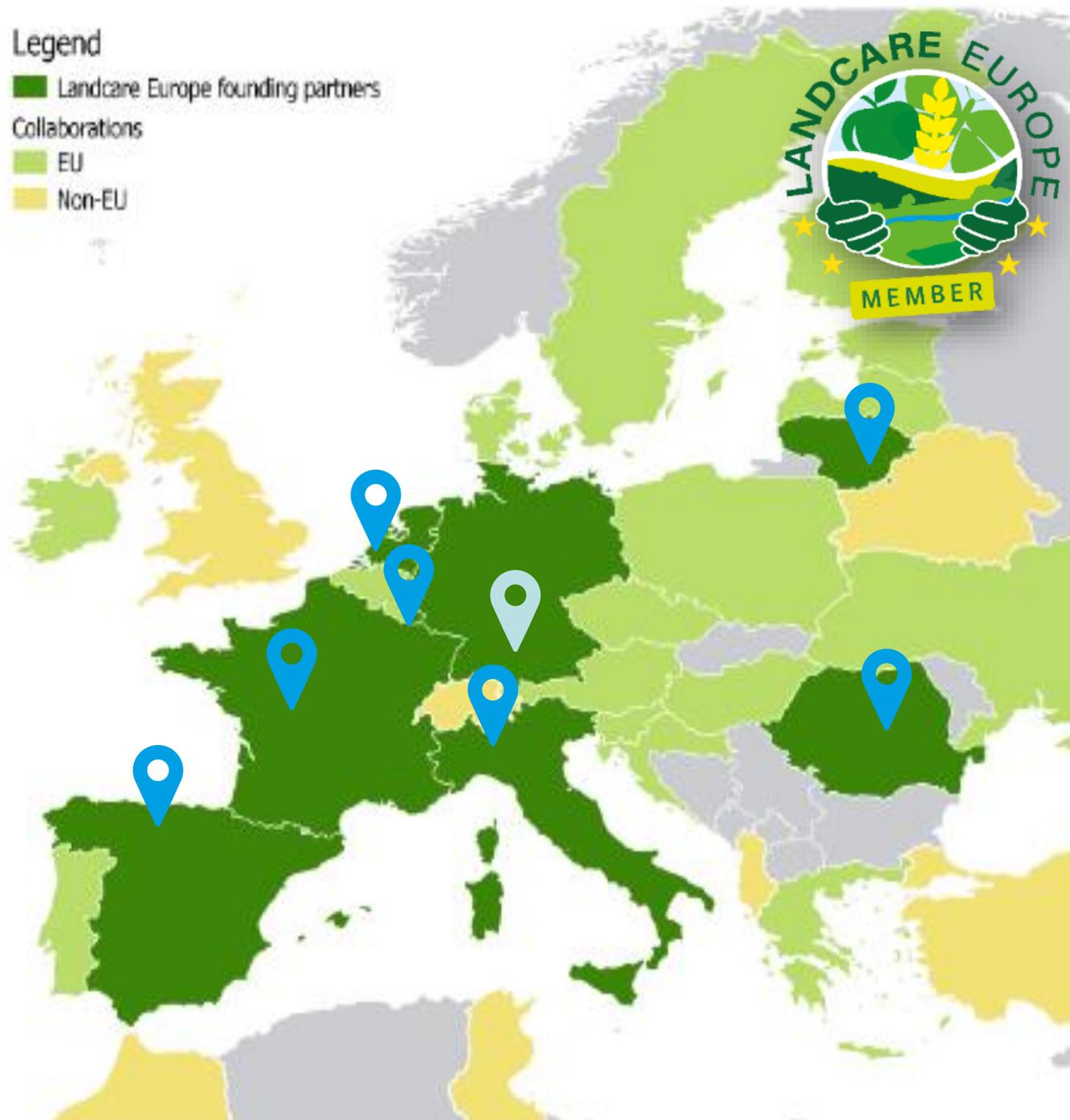
Exchange on key factors for successful  
cooperation



# 8 Founding Partners



Legend  
Landcare Europe founding partners  
Collaborations  
EU  
Non-EU



# Landcare Europe events 2023

## Workshop



## Lithuania – Klaipeda

Innovative approaches to promote species & habitat restoration in & outside Natura 2000 areas

**18 – 20 April 2023**

## Conference



## Spain – Jaén, Andalucía

Agroforestry systems to improve biodiversity, water & soil management & economic viability in & outside Natura 2000 areas

**7 – 9 March 2023**

## Workshop



## European Parliament, Brussels

Official foundation of Landcare Europe

**7 June 2023**

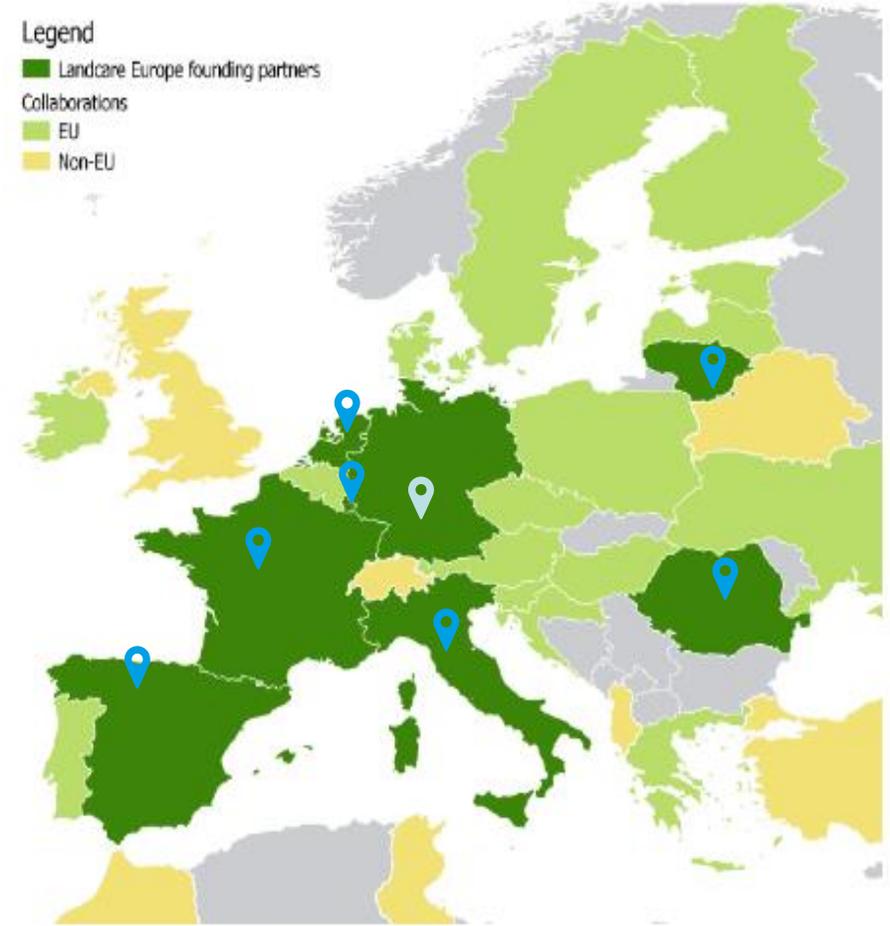
**Please register:** <https://tinyurl.com/landcare-europe-activities>



# Goal: Expand to all European countries



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# Why join?

## Membership...

- ...is **voluntary & reversible**
- ...**involvement is flexible** – different status available.
- ...provides **representation at EU level**
- ...allows remaining **independency** in activities.

**Open to all** non-governmental (NGOs) & non-profit organisations, who can identify with the Landcare approach and our objectives.



# How to join?

## Active engagement



Building & growing network



### Letter of intent

Signed by CEO

## Following



Knowledge exchange



### Mailing list

# Questions?

