

# LANDCARE EUROPE

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.



## OUR NETWORK ACTIVITIES AT NATIONAL AND EU LEVEL

- 1 Promoting Landcare** as effective and necessary cooperative link between nature conservation, agriculture and politics.
- 2 Exchanging knowledge & best practices** beyond borders to better implement EU environmental targets within an agricultural context.
- 3 Supporting the foundation** of Landcare Associations and Landcare umbrella organisations as well as their activities.
- 4 Consulting** policy makers and supporting the implementation of EU policies & strategies at national level.

## WE WORK

... in a cooperative approach with land users, farmers, local communities, nature conservation organisations, political authorities and decision-makers to preserve and restore biodiversity and resilience in our European landscapes in a contemporary, innovative and sustainable manner.

### WE CONSULT AND WORK WITH

- > 100,000 farmers
- > 1000 citizens
- > 600 political stakeholders

... on the local, regional, national and EU level

### WE SUPPORT EU OBJECTIVES

- EU Biodiversity Strategy 2030
- Common Agricultural Policy (CAP)
- Water Framework Directive (WFD)
- EU Soil Strategy 2030
- European Green Deal 2050
- EU Climate Adaptation Strategy
- Farm-to-Fork Strategy

### 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

### LANDCARE EUROPE

- has partners in 11 EU Member States (May 2023)
- represents more than 250 national and regional Landcare Associations with over 2000 employees
- collaborates with 29 countries over 5 continents on implementing projects, organising workshops and fostering knowledge exchange

## WORKING AREAS OF LANDCARE ASSOCIATIONS (LCA)

- **Supporting and advising farmers** and other land managers on available funding under the EU's Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) and other financial instruments, which foster species conservation and habitat restoration.
- **Fostering new ways of creating income** sources for agricultural value chains while preserving natural resources and biodiversity, such as direct marketing, landscape management, renewable energies, eco-tourism, participation in research and others.
- **Regenerating biodiverse and resilient ecosystems** in and outside Natura 2000 sites and other protected areas in cooperation with farmers and other stakeholders, e.g. renaturation of water bodies, rewetting of peatlands, restoration and (re)connecting habitats.
- **Advising politicians and administrative bodies** on necessary regulatory frameworks to protect and preserve our public goods biodiversity, water, soil and climate.
- **Raising public awareness** on sustainable farming practices that provide reliable living conditions for farmers, nutritious produce as well as ecosystem goods and services for the public.

## NETWORK PARTNERS

- Deutscher Verband für Landschaftspflege e.V. (DVL), Germany
- Agri-Cultura-Natura Transylvaniae Association (ACNT), Romania
- Baltic Environmental Forum (BEF), Lithuania
- BoerenNatuur, The Netherlands
- Fédération des Conservatoires d'espaces naturels, France
- Legambiente Lombardia, Italy
- Naturschutzsyndikat SICONA, Luxembourg
- Trashumancia y Naturaleza, Spain
- Boerenatuur Vlaanderen, Belgium
- Brodsko ekološko društvo - BED, Croatia
- Sonairte, Ireland

## LANDCARE EUROPE AS A NETWORK ...

1. ... is open to all non-governmental (NGOs) & non-profit organisations (NPOs), who can identify with our Landcare approach and objectives.
2. ... represents its members at EU level while they remain independent in their activities.
3. ... offers a voluntary and reversible membership.



Our goal is to grow the network to all European countries.

Do you want to join?



Join us!  
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