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

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

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

Supporting the foundation of Landcare Associations and Landcare umbrella organisations as well as their activities.

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 nonconventional 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 famers 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 f
 ür 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
- Boerennatuur 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?

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