



Seizing opportunities to support nature conservation in the Carpathian Mountains

Funding sources for supporting nature conservation and sustainable development in
Poland

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Available in digital form and on the Internet:

- **Handbook** of selected funding sources to support nature conservation and local development in the Carpathian Mountains. The handbook provides a general description and overview as well as links to further information on major funding sources available across the Carpathian Mountains, including in both EU and non-EU member states. Sources include relevant EU funds as well as EEA, Norwegian and Swiss funding mechanisms.
- **Powerpoint presentation** on funding sources across the Carpathian Mountains – essentially a powerpoint version of the handbook and free for use and adaptation.
- **Country reports:** Funding sources available in individual Carpathian countries (Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Slovakia).

All available at:

- <http://www.panda.org/dcpo>
- Direct link:
http://www.panda.org/about_wwf/where_we_work/europe/what_we_do/danube_carpathian/our_work/forests_and_protected_areas/carpathian_ecoregion/carpathians_funding/index.cfm

I. Introduction: What and whom this handbook is for

What it is for

The Carpathian Convention – which has been signed and ratified by all Carpathian countries including the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia and Ukraine – has set itself the aim of ensuring no less than the protection and maintenance of the region's prodigious natural wealth and of promoting the long-term sustainable development of the region. This dovetails with a number of international commitments that Carpathian governments have made, including implementation of the Programme of Work on Protected Areas under the Convention on Biological Diversity as well as – for the EU member states – implementation of the EU's Natura 2000 network of specially protected sites.

Fulfilling these ambitious aims will require significant financial support for everything from protected area management and conservation measures to awareness raising and nature-friendly development for local communities. Fortunately, there are a number of not insignificant funding sources available to cover at least some of these needs. Gradual reforms have served to increasingly integrate environmental needs into a range of substantial EU funding sources, including e.g. into rural and regional development funds, which are available only to the EU Member States, but also into new funds that can be tapped by prospective EU member states and neighboring countries. There is also parallel support available to a number of the Carpathian countries from the governments of Norway, Switzerland, Liechtenstein and Iceland. At national level, there are also a range of different funding instruments, including national programmes of support.

This country report provides an overview to the most relevant funding sources that are available to support nature conservation and related local development in the Carpathian areas of Slovakia. It consists of three main tables:

Table 1: Funding needs for nature conservation and related development, organized into general categories of funding needs, from management planning to compensation.

Table 2: Overview of funding sources available for nature conservation and related development, providing a short description of these sources.

Table 3: Funding sources available for specific funding needs, which presents the funding sources outlined in Table 2 according to categories of funding needs (Table 1) that they can address. This last table should enable you to quickly identify the funding sources that may be available for your particular need.

A handbook and complementary powerpoint presentation are also available that provide an overview of selected funding sources for nature conservation and related development that are available across the Carpathians both to EU and non-EU member states. They cover relevant EU sources as well as EEA, Norwegian and Swiss Financial Mechanisms.

Our ultimate aim is to ensure the full and effective use of any and all funding available for nature conservation and sustainable development in the Carpathians.

Who it is for

The handbook is ultimately intended for all stewards of high nature value areas, including Protected Area managers, NGOs, local communities and interested stakeholders. While the primary focus is on biodiversity and landscape conservation, much if not most of the contents of the handbook address inevitably related issues of sustainable local development. While these materials are intended expressly for audiences in the Carpathian Mountains, many of the sources described are relevant in other areas as well.

II. **Funding needs** for nature and development in the Carpathians

Table 1: Categorisation of types of nature conservation activities requiring financial support¹

Category	Activity	Further description
Scientific research and monitoring	1 Scientific studies/inventories for the identification of sites – surveys,	Scientific studies, research personnel, workshops and meetings, assembly of
	2 Pilot projects Initial 'trial' projects at sites	
Outreach – communication, education and awareness raising	3 Preparation of information and publicity material	Including handbooks, seminars, workshops, communication materials for training and capacity building.
Capacity building and training	4 Training and education for staff, including training courses, participation in workshops and seminars, etc.	
Management planning	5 Preparation of management plans, strategies and schemes	Elaboration and/or update of management and action plans, land use plans etc.
	6 Establishment of management bodies Start-up funding, feasibility studies,	
	7 Consultation – public meetings, liaison with landowners	Including costs incurred for the organisation of meetings and workshops, the publication of consultation outcomes, financial support of stakeholders, etc. Can include networking
	8 Review of management plans, strategies and schemes	
	9 Running costs of management bodies (maintenance of buildings and equipment)	Including: running costs incurred to meet depreciation of infrastructure; consumables;
	10 Investments in and maintenance of facilities for public access to and use of the sites, interpretation works,	Including costs related to guides, maps, related personnel.
	11 Staff (conservation/project officers, wardens/rangers, workers)	Ongoing staff costs.
Ongoing habitat management and monitoring	12 Conservation management measures – maintenance and improvement of	Including restoration work, provision of wildlife passages, management of specific
	13 Conservation management measures – maintenance and improvement of species' favourable conservation status	Including restoration work, provision of wildlife passages, management of specific species (flora and fauna), plans.
	14 Conservation management measures in relation to invasive alien species (IAS)	Including restoration work, infrastructure, management of specific species, preparation of management plans.
Cross-border management of sites	15 Cross-border management of sites, including for activities mentioned above but across national borders	

¹⁾ European Commission (2007), Financing Natura 2000. Guidance handbook (produced for the European Commission by WWF and IEEP)

III. Funding sources for nature conservation in Carpathian Poland

Introductory comments:

The questionnaire was filled in based on the Polish programming documents versions for the EU funding period 2007-2013 available in September 2007. As the programming documents consultation with European Commission process had not yet been closed, the final accepted versions of the documents may slightly differ from the information enclosed.

As detailed guidelines on the individual requirements concerning projects proposals to be funded within the Polish operational programmes had also not been finalised by September 2007, chosen parts of the table below were filled in based on the EU regulations on EU funds 2007-2013 (including European Regional Development Fund (ERDF), Cohesion Fund (CF), European Social Fund (ESF), European Fisheries Fund (EFF) and European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD). Those parts of the table are marked in grey. The parts regarding potential financing from the Financial Instrument for the Environment LIFE + and 7th Research Framework Programme managed directly by the European Commission were drawn directly from 'Financing Natura 2000 Guidance Handbook', European Commission, May 2006.

For detailed guidelines and requirements on funding available within Polish operational programmes 2007-2013, see the following websites:

Podkarpackie Regional Operational Programme (allocating ERDF funds in the podkarpackie voivodship),
Malopolskie Regional Operational Programme (allocating ERDF funds in the malopolskie voivodship),
Slaskie Regional Operational Programme (allocating ERDF funds in the slaskie voivodship):
<http://www.mrr.gov.pl/ProgramyOperacyjne+2007-2013/regionalne/>

'Infrastructure and Environment' Operational Programme (allocating ERDF and CF funds), **'Human Capital' Operational Programme** (allocating ESF funds), **'Fisheries and coastal areas sustainable development' Operational Programme** (allocating EFF funds):
<http://www.mrr.gov.pl/ProgramyOperacyjne+2007-2013/>

Poland-Slovak Republic Transborder Cooperation Operational Programme (allocating ERDF funds),
Poland-Czech Republic Transborder Cooperation Operational Programme (allocating ERDF funds):
<http://www.interreg.gov.pl/20072013/EWT/transgraniczne/>

Rural Development Plan 2007-2013 (allocating EAFRD funds):
<http://www.minrol.gov.pl>

Financing Instrument for the Environment (LIFE+)
http://www.ekoportal.pl/jetspeed/portal/portal/Fundusze_Ue/LIFE/default-page.psmi

7th Research Framework Programme
http://www.kpk.gov.pl/7pr/podstawy/cele_i_budzet.html

In case of Norwegian Financial Mechanism and the European Economic Area Mechanism (EEA), National as well as Regional Funds for Environment Protection and Water Management (NFEP&WM, RFEP&WM) and EcoFund detailed guidelines are submitted when opening individual tenders. Whenever information on given funding category opportunities needs to be confirmed in detailed guidelines for individual tenders, these parts of the table were also marked in grey.

For detailed information on these non-EU sources of funding, including national funds, see the following websites:

Norwegian Financial Mechanism and the European Economic Area Mechanism (EEA)
<http://www.eog.gov.pl>

National as well as Regional Funds for Environment Protection and Water Management (NFEP&WM, RFEP&WM)
<http://www.nfosigw.gov.pl>

EcoFund
<http://www.ekofundusz.org.pl>

Table 2: Most relevant sources of funding available for nature conservation

Funding source	Funding source/ Programme or measure	Description/comments/restrictions	Further information
EU Funds			
European Regional Development Fund (ERDF)	Regional Operational Programmes, 2007-2013	Within regional operational programmes prepared for each of the 16 Polish voivodships regional scale projects are to be funded. The Polish part of the Carpathians is located within the boundaries of 3 southern voivodships: slaskie, malopolskie and podkarpackie.	Regional operational programme funding can reach as much as 85 % of all qualified costs of a project.
European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) & Cohesion Fund	Operational Programme 'Infrastructure and Environment', 2007-2013	Within the 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP there are funds to be directed to national and regional scale projects. In order to gain the funds it is necessary to prove the national/regional scope of the benefits generated due to a project.	'Infrastructure and Environment' OP funding can reach from 30 to 85 % of all qualified costs of a project.
European Regional Development Fund (ERDF)	Transborder Cooperation Operational Programmes	Within transborder cooperation operational programmes prepared for Poland and its neighbour cross-border projects are to be funded. The Polish part of the Carpathians is located within the scope of 2 transborder cooperation programmes: Poland-Czech Republic and Poland-Slovak Republic. In order to gain the funds it is necessary to involve parties from both sides of the boundary in the project.	Within Transborder Cooperation OP so called Microprojects Fund was established with project's funding ranging from 2 000 – 30 000 EUR.
European Social Fund (ESF)	'Human Capital' Operational Programme	Within 'Human Capital' OP national, regional and local scale projects are to be funded among others in the field of enterprises and workers adaptability increase, personal training and public administration capacity increase in elaboration and implementation of policies and programmes as well as partnership principle.	'Human Capital' OP funding can reach 85 % of all qualified costs of a nature protection bound project.
European Fisheries Fund (EFF)	'Fisheries and Coastal Areas Sustainable Development' Operational Programme	Within 'Fisheries and Coastal Areas Sustainable Development' OP national, regional and local scale projects are to be funded among others in the field of sustainable aquaculture development, aquaculture activities diversification via agro- and eco-tourism, water ecosystems improvement and biodiversity protection. Funding is directed mostly to fisheries sector enterprises.	'Fisheries and Coastal Areas Sustainable Development' OP funding can reach 100 % of all qualified costs of a project.
European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)	Rural Development Plan 2007-2013, incl. LEADER axis	Within Rural Development Plan 2007-2013 projects and investments funding within agriculture sector as well as individual payments for farmers are to be granted. The Plan includes agri-environmental programmes as well as the LEADER programme. LEADER offers funding for local action groups (LAGs) gathering public, business and social sector partners acting for the sake of sustainable development of rural communities.	Within LEADER programme so called Small Projects fund was established with budget ranging from 4 500 to 100 000 PLN. Funding can reach as much as 70 % of all qualified costs of a project.
Financing Instrument for	Funds managed	The 'Nature and Biodiversity' LIFE+ component offers funding for	The total cost of the co-funded project is

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Environment (LIFE+)	directly by the European Commission (applications to be handed in via Polish Ministry of Environment)	nature protection bound activities. However, LIFE+ can only support activities that cannot be co-funded from other EU funds, among others ERDF, ESF, CF, EAFRD, EFF.	<u>preferably</u> 1 mill – 5 mill EUR; however smaller projects are also to be accepted. LIFE + funding can reach as much as 50 % of all qualified costs of a project. In case of the Natura 2000 bound project the funding can be increased up to 75% of all qualified costs.
7 th Research Framework Programme (FP7)	Funds managed directly by the European Commission	The 7 th Research Framework Programme offers funding for wide range of research in the field of technological development and innovations, amongst others with respect to addressing environment-bound problems on international, regional and local scale. Virtually all possible bodies/institutions/individuals can apply for the funding in question.	7 th Research Framework Programme funding can reach from 50 to 100 % of all qualified costs of a R&D project.
Foreign governments			
Norwegian Financial Mechanism and the European Economic Area Financial Mechanism EEA incl. EEA for NGOs fund	Managing institutions within relevant priorities are the Ministry of Regional Development, Ministry of Environment and Office of the Committee for European Integration	Within 'Sustainable Development Promoting' priority II, 'Human Capital Development' priority IV and 'Environment Protection – noninvestment' priority VIII and 'Regional Policy and Transboundary Actions' priority IX it is still possible to gain funds for sustainable development and regional cooperation. Tenders for other priorities have already been closed.	EEA for NGOs fund was established within EEA to provide funds for NGOs proposed projects. Funding to be applied for ranges here from 5 000 to 250 000 EUR. If project funding is above 150 000 EUR a partner from abroad is required. The Mechanism funding can reach 90% of all qualified costs of a project. Funds are available until 2009.
State funds			
National Fund for Environment Protection and Water Management NFEPWM	Funds from charges for use of the environment (e.g. air pollution, sewage emissions).	NFEPWM offers financial support, including preference loans and donations, for environment protection bound high budget investments of national or regional importance. Individual environment and nature protection tenders themes are approved every year. Funding can also be granted for pre-financing or necessary documentation preparation in case of projects proposals for EEA Mechanism and EU funding.	Loans can be granted to any individual/institution. Donations cannot be granted to enterprises, banks nor commercial partnerships. Granted funding depends on the type of a project and beneficiary.
Regional Funds for Environment Protection and Water Management RFsEPWM	Funds from charges for use of the environment (e.g. air pollution, sewage emissions).	RFsEPWM have been established in each of the 16 Polish voivodships to fund regional and local scale projects. The Polish part of the Carpathians is located within the boundaries of 3 southern voivodships: slaskie, malopolskie and podkarpackie. RFsEPWM offer financial support, including preference loans and donations, for environment protection bound investments on sub-regional or local scale within tender themes similar to NFEPWM (see above).	Loans and donations are granted according to rules similar to NFEPWM (see above).
EcoFund (EF)	Funds from 'Polish debt	EcoFund funding is directed to environment and nature protection	The EcoFund donation is 50,000 PLN at

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	for nature swap' – mechanism enabling Poland to redirect funds for international debt payments to investments in environment and nature protection in Poland.	investments. Individual environment and nature protection tenders themes are approved every year. Projects on environmental infrastructure, active nature protection and ecological education are usually given priority.	minimum. EcoFund funding can reach as much as 80 % of all qualified costs of a project.
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Table 3: Available funding sources in Poland

Activity 1: SCIENTIFIC STUDIES/INVENTORIES FOR IDENTIFICATION OF SITES

Surveys, inventories, mapping, condition assessment (scientific studies, research personnel, workshops and meetings, assembly of databases, etc.)

Fund	Description	Target groups	Land types	Area restrictions	Notes/other restrictions	Examples
ERDF: Podkarpackie ROP	No available funding.					
ERDF: Małopolskie ROP	No available funding.					
ERDF: Śląskie ROP	No available funding.					
ERDF & CF: 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	No available funding.					
ERDF Poland-Slovak Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	No available funding.					
ERDF Poland-Czech Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	No available funding.					
ESF: 'Human Capital' OP	No available funding.					
EFF: 'Fisheries and coastal areas sustainable development'	No available funding.					

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OP	Axis 4 LEADER	Local Action	Rural areas.	Area covered by	Funding can be granted if	Research led by LAG aiming at
EAFRD: Rural Development Plan 2007-2013	Local Action Group (LAG) functioning, gaining skills and activation Incl. research on the area covered by the Local Development Strategy (LDS)	Groups – local public-private partnerships		Local Development Strategy elaborated and implemented by Local Action Group.	planned research/study is to help in elaboration and implementation of Local Development Strategy.	sites inventories to identify natural potential for Local Development Strategy elaboration, e.g. based on eco-tourism, bird watching etc.
LIFE +	No available funding.					
FP7	2(1) f Objectives and Activities: Environment					
EEA	Priority 2. Sustainable Development Promoting Incl. preserving biodiversity within Natura 2000 sites, forest ecosystems protection, local environmental problems solving	All possible All possible	Measure not specific to land types Measure not specific to land types	Transnational cooperation EEA and neighbouring countries area	Context: research - refer to Annex 1 for more detail on Environment theme Funds available for research and expertise if it is necessary to realize the project proposed, not for research itself. Minimum project funding to be applied for is €250, 000.	Cross-border study comparing similar sites. Information collected could be used to identify nature valuable sites. Natura 2000 site inventory necessary for elaboration and implementation of active protection of rare meadow plant communities.
EEA for NGOs	Theme 2. Environment protection and sustainable development	NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Project funding to be applied for ranges from 5,000 to 250,000 EUR. If project funding is above 150,000 EUR a partner from abroad is required.	
NFEP&WM	Priority 5. Nature and landscape protection and ecological attitudes shaping 5.1 Research and expertise for environment protection and water management	Ministry of Environment and National Board for Water Management	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	Funds available for research and expertise ordered by the Ministry of Environment and National Board for Water Management	Natura 2000 sites inventories ordered by the Minister of Environment.
RFEP&WM	Similar to NFEP&WM but within individual voivodships (see above).					
EcoFund	Tender projects on nature protection Incl. wetlands, endangered species, Natura 2000 sites, national and landscape parks protection.	All possible, incl. local authorities, NGOs, national and landscape parks	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	Funds available for studies/inventories only as part of innovation or nature protection bound project. Funding unavailable for projects co-funded or to be	Data collection aiming at Natura 2000 management plan elaboration.

Activity 2: PILOT PROJECTS/INITIAL 'TRIAL' PROJECTS AT SITES

Fund	Description	Target groups	Land types	Area restrictions	Notes/other restrictions	Examples
ERDF: Podkarpackie ROP	Priority 3. Environment protection and natural threats counteracting	All possible, incl. water management bodies, NGOs, scientific centres	Measure not specific to land types	Podkarpackie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Pilot wetlands restoration project within flood management plan preparation, pilot species restoration project on voivodship or local scale.
	Flood prevention infrastructure and sustainable use of water resources, incl. rivers and wetlands restoration, flood risk management plans, flood risk mapping etc.					
	Biological and landscape biodiversity conservation and protection, incl. ecological education, promotion and information campaigns					
ERDF: Malopolskie ROP	Priority 5. Tourism and culture	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Podkarpackie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP or Rural Development Plan	Pilot eco-tourism development project on voivodship or local scale.
	Incl. nature and culture bound tourism programmes preparation and implementation, agro-tourism development					
	Priority 3. Tourism and culture industry	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Malopolskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Pilot eco-tourism development project on voivodship or local scale combined with Natura 2000 promotion campaign.
	Investments in preserving and promoting natural heritage, Natura 2000 in particular, nature protection etc. aiming at region's attractiveness increase.					
	Elaboration and promotion of tourism products, investments in degraded areas revitalization					
	Priority 7. Environment protection infrastructure	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Malopolskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Pilot wetlands restoration and river basin afforestation project aiming at water retention increase.
ERDF: Slaskie ROP	Integrated river basin management planning, incl. natural water retention increase, aiming at flood protection improvement.					
	Priority 3. Tourism	All individuals/bodies within tourism sector.	Measure not specific to land types	Slaskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Pilot agro- and eco-tourism development project on voivodship or local scale combined with local natural and cultural heritage
	Incl. tourism promotion, tourism infrastructure development					

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	increase, biodiversity protection, ecological education, networking Priority 3: Supporting local initiatives (micro projects) Incl. small infrastructure projects, eco-tourism development, human capital building	etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder local pilot project on knowledge sharing platform establishment on eco-tourism prospects.
ERDF Poland-Czech Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	Priority 1. Transport accessibility increase, environment protection and threats counteracting Incl. nature resources protection, flood protection, biodiversity protection and restoration, ecological education Priority 2. Conditions for entrepreneurship and tourism development improvement Incl. networking, agro-tourism development, natural values promotion (incl. Natura 2000 sites), natural heritage protection, tourism infrastructure development, tourism promotion	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs, national and landscape parks etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder pilot project on natural retention increase.
		All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder pilot project on agro- and eco-tourism promotion based on protected areas, incl. Natura 2000 sites.
	Priority 3. Supporting local communities cooperation (Microprojects Fund)	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect. Funding can range from €2,000 – 30,000. Total costs of a project can reach €60,000 at maximum.	Transborder local pilot project on cooperation on eco-tourism development.
ESF: ‘Human Capital’ OP	No available funding.					
EFF: ‘Fisheries and coastal areas sustainable development’ OP	Priority 3. Measures for common wealth Activity 3.5 Pilot projects, incl. management plans testing, experimental methods of stocking	All fisheries bound public and private bodies.	Coastal, marine, and inland waters, wetlands.	All regions of Poland.	Funds can only be granted to a recognized economic/trade/technical body. Each pilot project needs to be verified via proper scientific assessment led by proper scientific body.	Pilot project on fish migratory species reintroduction into mountainous rivers, e.g. salmon, sturgeon.

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EAFRD: Rural Development Plan 2007- 2013	Axis 4 LEADER Local Development Strategy Implementation Incl. agro- and eco-tourism development, training, local product promotion, native vegetation reintroduction	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships, enterprises and organizations based in the area covered by LDS.	Rural areas.	Area covered by the Local Development Strategy elaborated and implemented by Local Action Group.	Funding can be granted if planned project is to help in elaboration and implementation of Local Development Strategy. LAC is to choose projects for financing, incl. so called SMALL PROJECTS FROM 4 500 up to 25 000 PLN.	Pilot project on local society activation in nature protection bound activities, eco-tourism development etc. as part of Local Development Strategy implementation
	Axis 4 LEADER Cooperation projects implementation Incl. preparation and implementation of a project	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships	Rural areas.	Interregional and/or international cooperation within EU.	Funding can be granted to projects included in the Local Development Strategy or compatible with LDS.	Pilot interregional/international project on local societies involvement in nature protection, eco-tourism development etc.
	Axis 4 LEADER Local Action Group (LAG) functioning, gaining skills and activation Incl. research on the area covered by the Local Development Strategy (LDS), informative and promotion campaigns regarding the area covered by LDS, training for local leaders and staff responsible for implementation of LDS	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships	Rural areas.	Area covered by the Local Development Strategy elaborated and implemented by Local Action Group.	Funding can be granted if planned research/study is to help in elaboration and implementation of Local Development Strategy.	Pilot project on training programme for local leaders coordinating local activities on nature protection bound eco-tourism.
LIFE +	Na available funding.					
FP7	2(1) f Environment, e.g. climate change, pollution and risks; conservation and sustainable management of natural and man- made resources (e.g. protection and management of biodiversity); environment and technologies (e.g. environmental restoration)	All possible	Measure not specific to land type	Transnational cooperation	Context: research Context: research on adaptation/improvement of transportation infrastructure to mitigate effect to Natura 2000 sites	Research project to trial new management method e.g. compare grassland management regimes to determine which give better benefits to native butterflies and moths across Europe.
EEA	2(1) g Theme: transport (e.g. greening of air and surface transport) Priority 2. Sustainable Development	All possible	Measure not specific to land type	Transnational cooperation	Minimum project funding to	Research on effectiveness of low- impact transport infrastructure e.g. effectiveness of underpasses for reptiles. Implementation of new endangered

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	Promoting Incl. preserving biodiversity, forest ecosystems protection		specific to land types	neighbouring countries area	be applied for is €250,000.	species reintroduction method in the Polish part of Carpathians.
EEA for NGOs	Theme 2. Environment protection and sustainable development	NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Project funding to be applied for ranges from €5,000 to 250,000 EUR. If project funding is above €150,000 a partner from abroad is required.	
NFEP&WM	Priority 5. Nature and landscape protection and ecological attitudes shaping 5.1 Nature and landscape protection Incl. habitats and species protection, ecological corridors passability increase, management plans elaboration	All possible	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	Funds available for high budget projects of national or regional importance.	Big scale native trees species reintroduction project using newly elaborated methods.
RFEP&WM	Similar to NFEP&WM but within individual voivodships (see above).					
EcoFund	Priority IV. Nature protection Incl. wetlands, endangered species, Natura 2000 sites, national and landscape parks protection.	All possible, incl. local authorities, NGOs, national and landscape parks	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	Funds available for projects introducing modern and effective solutions/technologies in Poland. Funding unavailable for projects co-funded or to be funded from CF, EAFRD and EEA funds.	Implementation of new endangered species reintroduction method in the Polish part of Carpathians.

Activity 3: PREPARATION OF INFORMATION AND PUBLICITY MATERIAL

Including handbooks, seminars, workshops, communication materials for training and capacity building.

Fund	Description	Target groups	Land types	Area restrictions	Notes/other restrictions	Examples
ERDF: Podkarpackie ROP	Priority 3. Environment protection and natural threats counteracting Biological and landscape biodiversity conservation and protection, incl. ecological education, promotion and information campaigns	All possible, incl. NGOs, scientific centres	Measure not specific to land types	Podkarpackie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Preparation of information materials on protected sites e.g. Natura 2000, biodiversity friendly methods of land cultivation, forests management etc.
	Priority 5. Tourism and culture Incl. promotion and information campaigns, nature and culture bound values enhancement	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Podkarpackie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP or Rural Development Plan	Preparation of information materials promoting eco-tourism development.
ERDF: Malopolskie ROP	Priority 3. Tourism and culture industry Investments in preserving and promoting natural heritage, Natura 2000 in particular; nature protection etc. aiming at region's attractiveness increase. Elaboration and promotion of tourism products, modernization and development of tourists routes, investments in degraded areas revitalization	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Malopolskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Information campaign, incl. information materials preparation and dissemination, on opportunities provided by environment protection and local development combining within Natura 2000 sites.
	Priority 8. Interregional cooperation Promotion campaigns on malopolskie voivodship cultural and natural heritage	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Malopolskie voivodship area	The projects need to be addressed to foreigners.	International campaign on cultural and natural attractiveness of the malopolskie voivodship.
ERDF: Slaskie ROP	Priority 3. Tourism Incl. tourism promotion, tourism infrastructure development	All individuals/bodies within tourism sector.	Measure not specific to land types	Slaskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Preparation of information materials for tourist on agro- and eco-tourism base.
	Priority 5. Environment	All possible, incl. water bodies,	Measure not specific to land types	Slaskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale	Preparation of information materials promoting eco-tourism

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	Incl. nature protection and promotion, ecological education, biodiversity and habitats restoration, ecological corridors restoration, flood risk mapping	national and landscape parks, NGOs	types		projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	development.
ERDF & CF: 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Priority 3. Natural resources management and environmental threats counteracting Incl. natural water retention increase, risk management plans elaboration	All possible, but mainly water management bodies, environment services etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland.	Funds available for national or regional scale projects.	Preparation of information materials on sustainable water management and non-technical flood prevention measures.
	Priority 5. Nature protection and ecological attitude shaping Incl. degraded habitats restoration, ex situ and in situ protection of endangered species, species reintroduction, protected sites management plans elaboration, training, information and promotion campaigns, passages for animals construction within existing transport infrastructure, small infrastructure for tourists' access to protected sites modernization and development, networking for environment protection	All possible, but mainly protected areas management bodies, scientific bodies, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland.	Funds available for national or regional scale projects.	Information and promotion materials preparation within national/regional scale ecological education campaign.
ERDF Poland-Slovak Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	Priority 2: Socio-economic development Incl. tourism attractiveness increase, biodiversity protection, ecological education, networking	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Training materials for protected areas staff transborder cooperation projects.
	Priority 3: Supporting local initiatives (microprojects) Incl. eco-tourism development, human capital building	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Information and promotion materials on transborder area natural treasures for eco-tourism development.
ERDF Poland-Czech Republic Transborder Cooperation	Priority 1. Transport accessibility increase, environment protection and threats counteracting Incl. nature resources protection, biodiversity protection and	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs, national and landscape parks	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Preparation of educational materials on active methods of nature protection and benefits for agro- and eco-tourism.

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OP	restoration, ecological education Priority 2. Conditions for entrepreneurship and tourism development improvement Incl. networking, agro-tourism development, natural values promotion (incl. Natura 2000 sites), natural heritage protection, tourism infrastructure development, tourism promotion Priority 3. Supporting local communities cooperation (Microprojects Fund)	etc. All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Preparation of promotion materials on nature values of transborder region protected areas, incl. Natura 2000 sites.
		All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect. Funding can range from €2,000 – €30,000. Total costs of a project can reach €60,000 at maximum.	Preparation of a brochure for tourists on local nature and eco-tourism base.
ESF: 'Human Capital' OP	Priority 8. Regional human resources in economy Activity 8.1 Human resources and enterprises development in the region, incl. staff qualifications enhancement, training and counselling for medium and small enterprises and workers undergoing adaptation process to the current needs of the local market Priority 5. Good governance Activity 5.1 Government administration capacity increase, incl. strengthening its capacity in elaboration and implementation of national/interregional programmes and strategies, training, knowledge transfer Activity 5.2 Self-government administration capacity increase, incl. strengthening its capacity in elaboration and implementation of regional/local scale programmes	All possible.	Measure not specific to land types.	All regions of Poland.	Funds available for regional or local scale projects. Context: employment increase and shifting to non-agriculture developing sectors of economy	Information and promotion materials preparation within entrepreneurship increase project focused on and eco-tourism, organic farming etc.
		All possible	Measure not specific to land types.	All regions of Poland.	Projects' target group: public administration employees	Information materials preparation within authorities capacity building in developing regional management plans project, e.g. on flood management, protected areas management.

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	and strategies, training, knowledge transfer	All possible	Measure not specific to land types.	All regions of Poland.	Projects' target group: non-government organizations and public administration employees	Information and promotion materials to be used e.g. for workshops for NGOs' and public administration representatives on good practice and benefits from effective cooperation in solving common problems, e.g. protected sites management.
	5.4 Third sector capacity increase, incl. regional and local scale networking within the NGO sector, training and counseling for existing and developing NGOs 5.5 Partnership based state, incl. cooperation building between public administration and NGOs on elaboration of plans and projects, public services delivery and social audit of public institutions development by training, information an promotion campaigns etc.	All possible	Measure not specific to land types.	Projects need to be based in rural areas.	Funds available for regional and local scale projects embracing communities up to 50,000 citizens.	Information and promotion materials directed to rural communities on benefits from agro- and eco-tourism, organic farming.
EFF: 'Fisheries and coastal areas sustainable development' OP	Priority 10. Partnership for rural areas development Activity 10.1 Local initiatives and partnerships enhancement, incl. local entrepreneurship development, local initiatives for rural societies activation, training, information campaigns	All possible	Measure not specific to land types.	All regions of Poland.	Promotion activities should refer to fisheries in general, not to individual brands.	Information and promotion materials on environmentally friendly inland aquaculture methods, traditional fisheries and stocking based tourism development.
EAFRD: Rural Development Plan 2007-2013	Axis 1 Rural and forest sector competitiveness increase Professional training for people employed in agriculture and forestry Incl. ecological farming methods promotion, agriculture activities diversification, farming bound environment protection	Public or private institutions experienced in organizing training Poland.	Measure not specific to land types.	All rural regions of Poland.	Funding can only be granted to projects not eligible for funding under 'Human Capital' OP, where actions aiming at farmers shifting to non-agriculture economic activities are to be funded. Rural Development Plan funding can be granted to projects aiming at farmers rural activities diversification.	Information and promotion materials on endangered species friendly methods of land cultivation and forestry as part of a professional training programme via series of workshops.
	Axis 4 LEADER Local Development Strategy	Local Action Groups – local public-private	Rural areas.	Area covered by the Local Development Strategy elaborated	Funding can be granted if planned project is to help in elaboration and	Information and promotion materials on benefits from Local Development Strategy implementation based on

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	Implementation	partnerships, enterprises and organizations based in the area covered by LDS.		and implemented by Local Action Group.	implementation of Local Development Strategy.	nature protection and eco-tourism.
	Incl. training, educational activities, local product promotion, agro- and eco-tourism development				LAC is to choose projects for financing, incl. so called SMALL PROJECTS up to 100,000 PLN.	
	Axis 4 LEADER Cooperation projects implementation	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships	Rural areas.	Interregional and/or international cooperation within EU.	Funding can be granted to projects included in the Local Development Strategy or compatible with LDS.	Information materials and series of workshops on sharing knowledge on benefits from nature protection and eco-tourism development in neighbouring regions.
	Incl. preparation and implementation of a project					
	Axis 4 LEADER Local Action Group (LAG) functioning, gaining skills and activation	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships	Rural areas.	Area covered by the Local Development Strategy elaborated and implemented by Local Action Group.	Funding can be granted if planned activity is to help in elaboration and implementation of Local Development Strategy.	Training materials preparation for local leaders coordinating activities on nature protection bound eco-tourism.
	Incl. research on the area covered by the Local Development Strategy (LDS), informative and promotion campaigns regarding the area covered by LDS, training for local leaders and staff responsible for implementation of LDS					
LIFE +					LIFE+ shall not finance measures which fall within the eligibility criteria of, or receive assistance for the same purpose from, other Community financial instruments (see Art 10) Eligible if meeting the added value criteria of article 3, measures of annex 1 and not "recurring".	
	3 Eligibility criteria	All possible	All possible	None		
FP7	2(1) f Theme Environment, e.g. climate change, pollution and risks; conservation and sustainable management of natural and man-made resources (e.g. protection and management of biodiversity); environment and technologies (e.g. environmental restoration)	All possible	Measure not specific to land type	Transnational cooperation	Context: research	Research projects could result in development of information materials, and design of new and more effective communication methods (e.g. interactive flora for education).

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		All possible, however	Measure not specific to land type	Transnational cooperation	Context: research on adaptation/improvement of transportation infrastructure to mitigate risks to Natura 2000 sites	Research project could result in development of information on greener transport networks, including links to the Natura 2000 network.
EEA	2(1) g Theme: transport (e.g. greening of surface and air transport)	All possible	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Minimum project funding to be applied for is €250,000.	Training materials for protected areas staff on active nature protection methods.
	Priority 2. Sustainable Development Promoting Incl. preserving biodiversity within Natura 2000 sites, local environmental problems solving, ecological education, forest ecosystems protection	All possible				
	Priority 4. Human Capital Development Incl. training for public administration, NGO staff and volunteers, local partnerships promotion, local authorities-NGOs cooperation support	All possible, priority given to public administration and NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area		Training materials for NGOs' staff on fundraising and proper management of nature protection devoted funds.
	Priority 8. Non-investment Environment Protection Incl. environmental law execution enforcement, environment protection administration capacity increase, public administration training on environment protection law	All possible,	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Minimum project funding to be applied for is €250,000.	Training materials on environment and nature protection law for public administration responsible for environment protection.
	Priority 9. Regional Policy and Transborder Actions Incl. transborder cooperation programmes, knowledge transfer, local development promotion, eco-tourism networking, public administration training in EEA countries	All possible, priority given to public administration and NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area		Training materials for transborder protected areas staff and inhabitants on eco-tourism development.
EEA for NGOs	Theme 2. Environment protection and sustainable development	NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Project funding to be applied for ranges from €5,000 to €250,000. If project funding is above €150,000 a partner from abroad is required.	
NFEP&WM	Priority 5. Nature and landscape protection and ecological attitudes	All possible	Measure not specific to land	Territory of Poland	Funds available for high budget projects of national or	Information and promotion materials on environment and nature friendly

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shaping		types		regional importance.	households running.
5.3 Ecological attitudes shaping towards environment protection Incl. training, educational programmes, information and promotion campaigns, environmental networking					
Priority 5. Nature and landscape protection and ecological attitudes shaping 5.4 Education for sustainable development Incl. ecological education infrastructure development, active ecological education programmes, educational materials, thematic publications, training and seminars Similar to NFEP&WM but within individual voivodships (see above).	All possible	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	Funds available for high budget projects of national or regional importance.	Thematic publications e.g. on nature protection areas preparation and publication.
RFEF&WM					
Priority IV Nature protection Incl. wetlands, endangered species, Natura 2000 sites, national and landscape parks protection.	All possible, incl. local authorities, NGOs, national and landscape parks	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	Funds available for information materials/workshops only as part of nature protection bound project. Funding unavailable for projects co-funded or to be funded from CF, EAFRD and EEA funds.	Training materials preparation as part of ecological education project.
EcoFund					

Activity 4: TRAINING AND EDUCATION FOR STAFF

Including training courses, participation in workshops and seminars etc.

Fund	Description	Target groups	Land types	Area restrictions	Notes/other restrictions	Examples
ERDF: Podkarpackie ROP	Priority 3. Environment protection and natural threats counteracting	All possible, incl. NGOs, scientific centres	Measure not specific to land types	Podkarpackie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Training focused on risk prevention and flood management including non-technical anti-flood measures such as wetlands restoration, afforestation etc.
	Flood prevention infrastructure and sustainable use of water resources, incl. rivers and wetlands restoration, flood risk management plans etc.					
	Biological and landscape biodiversity conservation and protection, incl. protected areas management plans, species and habitats restoration, ecological education etc.					
ERDF: Malopolskie ROP	Priority 5. Tourism and culture	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Podkarpackie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP or Rural Development Plan	Training to support establishment/enhancement of sustainable tourism in areas of high natural value.
	Incl. nature and culture bound tourism development programmes preparation and implementation, local products promotion strategies					
	Priority 3. Tourism and culture industry	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Malopolskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Training on agro- and eco-tourism development based on natural heritage.
	Investments in preserving and promoting natural heritage, Natura 2000 in particular, nature protection etc. aiming at region's attractiveness increase.					
	Elaboration and promotion of tourism products, tourism development					
	Priority 7. Environment protection infrastructure	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Malopolskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Training on integrated river basin management and non-technical solutions in flood protection.
	Integrated river basin management planning aiming at flood protection improvement.					
	Priority 8. Interregional cooperation	All possible, incl. national and	Measure not specific to land	Malopolskie voivodship area	The projects need to have interregional context.	Workshops on cross-border environmental problems solving,

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	Exchange of knowledge, good practice experiences in solving common problems e.g. nature protection, natural threats counteracting etc.	landscape parks, NGOs	types			e.g. flood risk, endangered species protection.
ERDF: Slaskie ROP	Priority 3. Tourism Incl. tourism promotion, tourism infrastructure development	All individuals/bodies within tourism sector.	Measure not specific to land types	Slaskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Training on tourism development opportunities within former industrial areas.
	Priority 5. Environment Incl. nature protection and promotion, ecological education, biodiversity and habitats restoration, ecological corridors passability restoration, flood risk mapping	All possible, incl. water bodies, national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Slaskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Workshops for local authorities and social partners on cooperation for sustainable development based on local natural heritage protection.
ERDF & CF: 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Priority 3. Natural resources management and environmental threats counteracting Incl. natural water retention increase, risk management plans elaboration	All possible, but mainly water management bodies, environment services etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland.	Funds available for national or regional scale projects.	National/regional scale training programme on sustainable water management and non-technical flood prevention measures.
	Priority 5. Nature protection and ecological attitude shaping Incl. degraded habitats restoration, ex situ and in situ protection of endangered species, species reintroduction, protected sites management plans elaboration, training, information and promotion campaigns, passages for animals construction within existing transport infrastructure, small infrastructure for tourists' access to protected sites modernization and development, networking for environment protection	All possible, but mainly protected areas management bodies, scientific bodies, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland.	Funds available for national or regional scale projects.	National/regional scale training programme on protected sites proper management.
ERDF Poland-Slovak Republic Transborder Cooperation	Priority 2: Socio-economic development Incl. local community qualifications increase, tourism attractiveness increase, biodiversity protection,	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Training for transborder protected areas staff on effective methods of active nature protection.

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OP	ecological education, networking Priority 3: Supporting local initiatives (microprojects) Incl. eco-tourism development, human capital building	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Workshops on eco-tourism development within transborder area.
ERDF Poland- Czech Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	Priority 1. Transport accessibility increase, environment protection and threats counteracting Incl. nature resources protection, flood protection, biodiversity protection and restoration, ecological education	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs, national and landscape parks etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Training for water management bodies on transborder river basin management.
	Priority 2. Conditions for entrepreneurship and tourism development improvement Incl. networking, agro-tourism development, natural heritage protection, tourism infrastructure development.	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Training for local communities representatives and knowledge sharing on agro- and eco-tourism development based on protected areas, incl. Natura 2000 sites, within transborder areas.
	Priority 3. Supporting local communities cooperation (Microprojects Fund)	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect. Funding can range from €2,000 – €30,000. Total costs of a project can reach €60,000 at maximum.	Workshops for local communities on transborder area natural values use as a basis for agro- and eco-tourism promotion.
ESF: ‘Human Capital’ OP	Priority 8. Regional human resources in economy Activity 8.1 Human resources and enterprises development in the region, incl. staff qualifications enhancement, training and counselling for medium and small enterprises and workers undergoing adaptation process to the current needs of the local market	All possible.	Measure not specific to land types.	All regions of Poland.	Funds available for regional or local scale projects. Context: employment increase and shifting to developing sectors of economy	Training for restructuring entrepreneurships on shifting to nature protection bound activities, such as agro- and eco-tourism, organic production etc.
	Priority 5. Good governance Activity 5.1 Government administration capacity increase.	All possible	Measure not specific to land types.	All regions of Poland.	Projects' target group: public administration employees	Training for authorities on good practice in protected sites management, proper environmental procedures along investment

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	incl. strengthening its capacity in elaboration and implementation of national/interregional programmes and strategies, training, knowledge transfer						planning process etc.
	Activity 5.2 Self-government administration capacity increase, incl. strengthening its capacity in elaboration and implementation of regional/local scale programmes and strategies, training, knowledge transfer	All possible	Measure not specific to land types.	All regions of Poland.	Projects' target group: non-government organizations and public administration employees	Workshops for NGOs' and public administration representatives on effective cooperation in solving common problems, e.g. protected sites management, decision-making process regarding environmental issues transparency etc.	
	5.4 Third sector capacity increase, incl. regional and local scale networking within the NGO sector, training and counseling for existing and developing NGOs	All possible	Measure not specific to land types.	Projects need to be based in rural areas.	Funds available for regional and local scale projects embracing communities up to 50,000 citizens.	Workshops for local rural communities on opportunities and benefits from nature protection bound development based on agro- and eco-tourism, organic farming etc.	
	5.5 Partnership based state, incl. cooperation building between public administration and NGOs on elaboration of plans and projects, public services delivery and social audit of public institutions development by training, information an promotion campaigns etc.	All possible	Measure not specific to land types.	All regions of Poland.	Funds can only be granted to a recognized fish producers and related bodies.	Training for fisheries sector representatives and related organizations on environmentally friendly aquaculture and undertaking agro- and eco-tourism activities.	
EFF: 'Fisheries and coastal areas sustainable development' OP	Priority 3. Measures for common wealth 3.1 Economic bodies and organizations cooperation, incl. qualifications enhancement and new training methods and tools development	Fish production enterprises and related organizations.	Measure not specific to land types.	All regions of Poland.	Funding can only be granted to projects not eligible for	Training on eco-tourism development as part of agricultural	
EAFRD: Rural	Axis 1 Rural and forest sector competitiveness increase	Public or private institutions	Measure not specific to land types.	All rural regions of Poland.			

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Development Plan 2007-2013	Professional training for people employed in agriculture and forestry Incl. ecological farming methods promotion, agriculture activities diversification, farming bound environment protection	experienced in organizing training in Poland.	types.		funding under 'Human Capital' OP, where actions aiming at farmers shifting to non-agriculture economic activities are to be funded. Rural Development Plan funding can be granted to projects for diversification of rural incomes.	activities diversification.
	Axis 4 LEADER Local Development Strategy Implementation Incl. training, educational activities, local product promotion, agro- and eco-tourism development	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships, enterprises and organizations based in the area covered by LDS.	Rural areas.	Area covered by the Local Development Strategy elaborated and implemented by Local Action Group.	Funding can be granted if planned project is to help in elaboration and implementation of Local Development Strategy. LAC is to choose projects for financing, incl. so called small projects from 4,500 up to 25,000 PLN.	Training on local organic products and eco-tourism promotion and marketing required for Local Development Strategy implementation.
	Axis 4 LEADER Cooperation projects implementation Incl. preparation and implementation of a project	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships	Rural areas.	Interregional and/or international cooperation within EU.	Funding can be granted to projects included in the Local Development Strategy or compatible with LDS.	Training on interregional scale networking, knowledge sharing and good practice implementation as part of Local Development Strategies in different regions.
	Axis 4 LEADER Local Action Group (LAG) functioning, gaining skills and activation Incl. informative and promotion campaigns regarding the area covered by LDS, training for local leaders and staff responsible for implementation of LDS	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships	Rural areas.	Area covered by the Local Development Strategy elaborated and implemented by Local Action Group.	Funding can be granted if planned training is to help in elaboration and implementation of Local Development Strategy.	Training for local leaders on local societies activation, nature protection based eco-tourism development, local product marketing.
LIFE +	3 Eligibility criteria	All	Measure not specific to land type.	none	LIFE+ shall not finance measures which fall within the eligibility criteria of, or receive assistance for the same purpose from, other Community financial instruments (see Art 10) Eligible if meeting the added value criteria of article 3 and	

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FP7	No available funding.						not "recurring".	
EEA	Priority 2. Sustainable Development Promoting Incl. preserving biodiversity, local environmental problems solving, ecological education, forest ecosystems protection	All possible	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Minimum project funding to be applied for is €250,000.	Training for protected areas staff on active nature protection methods.		
	Priority 4. Human Capital Development Incl. training for public administration, NGO staff and volunteers	All possible, priority given to public administration and NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area		Training for NGOs' staff on fundraising and proper management of nature protection devoted funds.		
	Priority 8. Non-investment Environment Protection Incl. environmental law execution enforcement, environment protection administration capacity increase, public administration training on environment protection law	All possible	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Minimum project funding to be applied for is €250,000.	Training on environment and nature protection law for public administration responsible for environment protection.		
	Priority 9. Regional Policy and Transborder Actions Incl. transborder cooperation programmes, knowledge transfer, local development promotion, eco-tourism networking, public administration training in EEA countries	All possible, priority given to public administration and NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area		Training for transborder protected areas staff and inhabitants on eco-tourism development.		
EEA for NGOs	Theme 2. Environment protection and sustainable development	NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Project funding to be applied for ranges from €5,000 to €250,000. If project funding is above €150,000 a partner from abroad is required.			
NFEP&WM	Priority 5. Nature and landscape protection and ecological attitudes shaping 5.3 Ecological attitudes shaping towards environment protection	All possible	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	Funds available for high budget projects of national or regional importance.	Training for farmers within protected areas on nature friendly farming methods.		

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	Incl. training, educational programmes, environmental networking						
	Priority 5. Nature and landscape protection and ecological attitudes shaping 5.4 Education for sustainable development	All possible	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	Funds available for high budget projects of national or regional importance.	Nature protection expert seminar for knowledge sharing in the field of active nature protection methods.	
	Incl. active ecological education programmes, training and seminars						
RFEF&WM	Similar to NFEF&WM but within individual voivodships (see above).						
EcoFund	Priority IV Nature protection Incl. wetlands, endangered species, Natura 2000 sites protection and national and landscape parks protection.	All possible, incl. local authorities, NGOs, national and landscape parks etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	Funds available for staff training only as part of nature protection bound project. Funding unavailable for projects co-funded or to be funded from CF, EAFRD and EEA funds.	Training for nature protection areas staff on proper management.	

Activity 5: PREPARATION OF MANAGEMENT PLANS, STRATEGIES AND SCHEMES

Elaboration and/or update of management and action plans, land use plans etc.

Fund	Description	Target groups	Land types	Area restrictions	Notes/other restrictions	Examples
ERDF: Podkarpackie ROP	Priority 3. Environment protection and natural threats counteracting	All possible, incl. water management bodies, NGOs, scientific centres	Measure not specific to land types	Podkarpackie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Protected sites management plans elaboration.
	Flood prevention infrastructure and sustainable use of water resources, incl. flood risk management plans, flood risk mapping etc.					
	Biological and landscape biodiversity conservation and protection, incl. management plans for Natura 2000 and other protected sites, environmental monitoring systems etc.					
ERDF: Malopolskie ROP	Priority 3. Tourism and culture industry	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Malopolskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Protected sites management plans elaboration.
	Investments in preserving and promoting natural heritage, Natura 2000 in particular, nature protection etc. aiming at region's attractiveness increase.					
	Priority 7. Environment protection infrastructure	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Malopolskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	River basin management plan elaboration including nature protection requirements.
ERDF: Slaskie ROP	Integrated river basin management planning aiming at flood protection improvement.					
	Priority 8. Interregional cooperation	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Malopolskie voivodship area	The projects need to have interregional context.	Interregional/transboundary nature protection/flood management plan elaboration.
	Common strategies on interregional problems e.g. nature protection, natural threats counteracting, interregional cooperation on tourism development, nature protection etc.					
ERDF: Slaskie ROP	Priority 5. Environment	All possible, incl. water bodies, national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Slaskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Protected sites management /river passability restoration plan elaboration and implementation.
	Incl. nature protection and promotion, ecological education, biodiversity and habitats restoration,					

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	ecological corridors passability restoration, flood risk mapping							
ERDF & CF: 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Priority 3: Natural resources management and environmental threats counteracting Incl. natural water retention increase, risk management plans elaboration	All possible, but mainly water management bodies, environment services etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland.	Funds available for national or regional scale projects.	Regional scale sustainable water management plan elaboration including needs for nature protection.		
	Priority 5: Nature protection and ecological attitude shaping Incl. degraded habitats restoration, ex situ and in situ protection of endangered species, species reintroduction, protected sites management plans elaboration, training, information and promotion campaigns, passages for animals construction within existing transport infrastructure, small infrastructure for tourists' access to protected sites modernization and development, networking for environment protection	All possible, but mainly protected areas management bodies, scientific bodies, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland.	Funds available for national or regional scale projects.	Regional scale protected sites integrated management plans elaboration.		
ERDF Poland-Slovak Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	Priority 2: Socio-economic development Incl. biodiversity protection, networking	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder protected area management plan elaboration.		
	Priority 3: Supporting local initiatives (microprojects)	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder protected area management plan elaboration.		
ERDF Poland-Czech Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	Priority 1: Transport accessibility increase, environment protection and threats counteracting Incl. nature resources protection, flood protection, biodiversity protection and restoration, common plans and studies elaboration	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs, national and landscape parks etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Elaboration of management plan for a transborder nature protected area/network of protected areas.		
	Priority 3: Supporting local	All bodies active	Measure not	Poland-Czech	Funds available for local	Elaboration of management plan for		

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	communities cooperation (Microprojects Fund)	within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	specific to land types.	Republic transborder area.	projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect. Funding can range from €2,000 - €30,000. Total costs of a project can reach €60,000 at maximum.	a selected transborder protected area.
ESF: ‘Human Capital’ OP	Priority 5. Good governance Activity 5.1 Government administration capacity increase, incl. strengthening its capacity in elaboration and implementation of national/interregional programmes and strategies, training, knowledge transfer Activity 5.2 Self-government administration capacity increase, incl. strengthening its capacity in elaboration and implementation of regional/local scale programmes and strategies, training, knowledge transfer	All possible	Measure not specific to land types.	All regions of Poland.	Projects’ target group: public administration employees	Authorities capacity building in developing regional management plans project, i.e. on protected areas management.
	5.4 Third sector capacity increase, incl. regional and local scale networking within the NGO sector, training and counseling for existing and developing NGOs 5.5 Partnership based state, incl. cooperation building between public administration and NGOs on elaboration of plans and projects, public services delivery and social audit of public institutions development by training, information an promotion campaigns etc.	All possible	Measure not specific to land types.	All regions of Poland.	Projects’ target group: non-government organizations and public administration employees	Training for NGOs’ on effective participation in management plans elaboration. Training for public administration representatives on effective involvement of social partners in management plans elaboration.
EFF: ‘Fisheries and coastal areas sustainable development’ OP	No available funding.					

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EAFRD: Rural Development Plan 2007- 2013	Axis 4 LEADER Local Development Strategy Implementation	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships, enterprises and organizations based in the area covered by LDS.	Rural areas.	Area covered by the Local Development Strategy elaborated and implemented by Local Action Group.	Funding can be granted if planned project is to help in elaboration and implementation of Local Development Strategy. LAC is to choose projects for financing, incl. so called small projects up to 100,000 PLN.	Granting funding for a project on management plan preparation for a protected area sustaining basis for Local Development Strategy e.g. in eco-tourism, local product marketing etc.
	Axis 4 LEADER Local Action Group (LAG) functioning, gaining skills and activation Incl. research on the area covered by the Local Development Strategy (LDS),	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships	Rural areas.	Area covered by the Local Development Strategy elaborated and implemented by Local Action Group.	Funding can be granted if planned activity is to help in elaboration and implementation of Local Development Strategy.	Management plan preparation for a protected area sustaining basis for Local Development Strategy along the works of Local Action Group.
LIFE +					LIFE+ shall not finance measures which fall within the eligibility criteria of, or receive assistance for the same purpose, as from other Community financial instruments (see Art 10). Eligible if meet the added value criteria of article 3 and measures of annex 1.	
FP7	3 Eligibility criteria No available funding.	All possible	All possible	None		
EEA	Priority 2. Sustainable Development Promoting Incl. preserving biodiversity, local environmental problems solving, forest ecosystems protection	All possible	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Minimum project funding to be applied for is €250,000.	Natura 2000/national park management plan elaboration and implementation
	Priority 4. Human Capital Development Incl. training for public administration, NGO staff and volunteers, local partnerships promotion, local authorities-NGOs cooperation support	All possible, priority given to public administration and NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area		Training for public administration and NGOs' on effective cooperation in management plans elaboration.
	Priority 9. Regional Policy and	All possible,	Measure not	EEA and		Training for public administration

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	Transborder Actions	priority given to public administration and NGOs	specific to land types	neighbouring countries area		and NGOs on effective cooperation in transborder protected areas management plans elaboration.
EEA for NGOs	Incl. transborder cooperation programmes, knowledge transfer, public administration training in EEA countries Theme 2. Environment protection and sustainable development	NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Project funding to be applied for ranges from €5,000 to €250,000. If project funding is above €150,000 a partner from abroad is required.	
NFEP&WM	Priority 5. Nature and landscape protection and ecological attitudes shaping 5.1 Nature and landscape protection Incl. habitats and species protection, management plans elaboration	All possible	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	Funds available for high budget projects of national or regional importance.	Natura 2000/national park management plan elaboration and implementation.
RFEP&WM	Similar to NFEP&WM but within individual voivodships (see above).					
EcoFund	Priority IV Nature protection Incl. wetlands, endangered species, Natura 2000 sites, national and landscape parks protection	All possible, incl. local authorities, NGOs, national and landscape parks	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	Funds available for information materials/workshops only if are part of nature protection bound project. Funding unavailable for projects co-funded or to be funded from CF, EAFRD and EEA funds.	Natura 2000/national park management plan elaboration and implementation.

Activity 6: ESTABLISHMENT OF MANAGEMENT BODIES*Start-up funding, feasibility studies, management plans etc.*

Fund	Description	Target groups	Land types	Area restrictions	Notes/other restrictions	Examples
ERDF: Podkarpackie ROP	Priority 3. Environment protection and natural threats counteracting Biological and landscape biodiversity conservation and protection, incl. management plans for Natura 2000 and other protected sites etc.	All possible, incl. water management bodies, NGOs, scientific centres	Measure not specific to land types	Podkarpackie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Establishment of voivodship or local management body to prepare Natura 2000 management plan and coordinate planned actions aiming nature conservation.
ERDF: Małopolskie ROP	Priority 3. Tourism and culture industry Investments in preserving and promoting natural heritage, Natura 2000 in particular, nature protection etc. aiming at region's attractiveness increase.	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Małopolskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Establishment of voivodship or local management body to prepare protected site management plan and coordinate planned actions nature conservation.
	Priority 8. Interregional cooperation Common strategies on interregional problems e.g. nature protection, natural threats counteracting; interregional cooperation on tourism development, nature protection etc.	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Małopolskie voivodship area	The projects need to have interregional context.	Establishment of interregional management body to prepare cross-border protected sites management plan.
ERDF: Śląskie ROP	Priority 5. Environment Incl. nature protection and promotion, ecological education, biodiversity and habitats restoration, ecological corridors restoration	All possible, incl. water bodies, national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Śląskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Establishment of voivodship or local management body for protected areas management.
ERDF & CF: 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Priority 5. Nature protection and ecological attitude shaping Incl. degraded habitats restoration, ex situ and in situ protection of endangered species, species reintroduction, protected sites management plans elaboration, training, information and promotion	All possible, but mainly protected areas management bodies, scientific bodies, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland.	Funds available for national or regional scale projects.	Establishment of regional scale management body for protected areas management.

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ERDF Poland-Slovak Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	campaigns, passages for animals construction within existing transport infrastructure, small infrastructure for tourists' access to protected sites modernization and development, networking for environment protection	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Establishment of transborder river basin management body.
	Priority 1: Transborder infrastructure development Incl. environment protection institutions reinforcement, flood management, common planning and management of environment bound services	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Establishment of transborder protected sites network management body.
	Priority 2: Socio-economic development Incl. biodiversity protection, ecological education, networking	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Establishment of local transborder protected sites network management body.
	Priority 3: Supporting local initiatives (microprojects)	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder river basin management body establishment.
ERDF Poland-Czech Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	Priority 1. Transport accessibility increase, environment protection and threats counteracting Incl. nature resources protection, flood protection, biodiversity protection and restoration	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs, national and landscape parks etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder protected areas management body establishment.
	Priority 2. Conditions for entrepreneurship and tourism development improvement Incl. natural values promotion (incl. Natura 2000 sites), natural heritage protection,	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Support for transborder protected area management body establishment.
	Priority 3. Supporting local communities cooperation (Microprojects Fund)	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect. Funding can range from €2,000 – €30,000. Total	

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ESF: 'Human Capital' OP	Priority 5. Good governance Activity 5.1 Government administration capacity increase, incl. strengthening its capacity in elaboration and implementation of national/interregional programmes and strategies, training, knowledge transfer Activity 5.2 Self-government administration capacity increase, incl. strengthening its capacity in elaboration and implementation of regional/local scale programmes and strategies, training, knowledge transfer	All possible	Measure not specific to land types.	All regions of Poland.	costs of a project can reach €60,000 at maximum. Projects' target group: public administration employees	Restructuring public administration to establish management bodies for nature protection management.
EFF: 'Fisheries and coastal areas sustainable development' OP	No available funding.					
EAFRD: Rural Development Plan 2007-2013	Axis 4 LEADER Local Development Strategy Implementation	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships, enterprises and organizations based in the area covered by LDS.	Rural areas.	Area covered by the Local Development Strategy elaborated and implemented by Local Action Group.	Funding can be granted if planned project is to help in elaboration and implementation of Local Development Strategy. LAC is to choose projects for financing, incl. so called small projects from 4,500 up to 25,000 PLN.	Supporting establishment of a management body for a protected area sustaining basis for Local Development Strategy.
	Axis 4 LEADER Local Action Group (LAG) functioning, gaining skills and activation	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships	Rural areas.	Area covered by the Local Development Strategy elaborated and implemented by Local Action Group.	Funding can be granted if planned activity is to help in elaboration and implementation of Local Development Strategy.	Establishment of a management body within Local Action Group for a protected area sustaining basis for Local Development Strategy.
LIFE +	No available funding.					
FP7	No available funding.					

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EEA	Priority 2. Sustainable Development Promoting Incl. preserving biodiversity within Natura 2000 sites, local environmental problems solving, forest ecosystems protection	All possible	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Minimum project funding to be applied for is €250,000.	Support for protected area management body establishment.
	Priority 4. Human Capital Development Incl. training for public administration, NGO staff and volunteers	All possible, priority given to public administration and NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area		Training for public administration and NGOs representatives included in management body on effective protected area management.
	Priority 9. Regional Policy and Transborder Actions Incl. transborder cooperation programmes, knowledge transfer, public administration training in EEA countries	All possible, priority given to public administration and NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area		Support for transborder protected area management body establishment.
EEA for NGOs	Theme 2. Environment protection and sustainable development	NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Project funding to be applied for ranges from €5,000 to €250,000. If project funding is above €150,000, a partner from abroad is required.	Support for protected area management body establishment.
NFEP&WM	Priority 5. Nature and landscape protection and ecological attitudes shaping 5.1 Nature and landscape protection Incl. habitats and species protection, ecological corridors passability increase, management plans elaboration	All possible	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	For information on support for management bodies establishment opportunities one needs to turn to detailed guidelines for individual NFEP&WM tenders.	
	Similar to NFEP&WM but within individual voivodships (see above).					
RFEP&WM	Priority IV Nature protection Incl. wetlands, endangered species, Natura 2000 sites protection and national and landscape parks protection.	All possible, incl. local authorities, NGOs, national and landscape parks etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	For information on support for management bodies establishment opportunities one needs to turn to detailed guidelines for individual EcoFund tenders.	

Activity 7: CONSULTATION - PUBLIC MEETINGS, NETWORKING, LIASON WITH LANDOWNERS

Including costs incurred for the organisation of meetings and workshops, the publication of consultation outcomes, financial support for stakeholders etc. (can include networking activities)

Fund	Description	Target groups	Land types	Area restrictions	Notes/other restrictions	Examples
ERDF: Podkarpackie ROP	Priority 3. Environment protection and natural threats counteracting	All possible, incl. water management bodies, NGOs, scientific centres	Measure not specific to land types	Podkarpackie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Organization of : public meetings within flood management plan or protected sites management plan elaboration process; information campaigns on consulted projects aiming at sustainable flood and/or protected sites management.
	Flood prevention infrastructure and sustainable use of water resources, incl. flood risk management plans etc. Biological and landscape biodiversity conservation and protection, incl. management plans for Natura 2000 and other protected sites etc.					
	Priority 5. Tourism and culture Incl. nature and culture bound tourism development programmes preparation and implementation, local product promotion strategies	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Podkarpackie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP or Rural Development Plan	Organization of : workshops on local sustainable tourism development plan elaboration and implementation.
ERDF: Malopolskie ROP	Priority 3. Tourism and culture industry Investments in preserving and promoting natural heritage, Natura 2000 in particular, nature protection etc. aiming at region's attractiveness increase.	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Malopolskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Networking to assist sustainable tourism development, e.g. knowledge and experience sharing, local product network promotion etc.
	Elaboration and promotion of tourism products, tourism infrastructure development					
	Priority 7. Environment protection infrastructure Integrated river basin management planning aiming at flood protection improvement.	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Malopolskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	River basin management consultation with interested stakeholders, organization of public meetings on non-technical flood prevention measures benefits etc.
	Priority 8. Interregional cooperation	All possible, incl.	Measure not	Malopolskie	Funds available for	Interregional workshops

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	Common strategies on interregional problems e.g. nature protection, natural threats counteracting; interregional cooperation on tourism development, nature protection etc.	national and landscape parks, NGOs	specific to land types	voivodship area	voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP The projects need to have interregional context.	/consultation meetings aiming at seeking common solutions to interregional problems, e.g. flood risk within transboundary river basin, nature protection.
ERDF: Śląskie ROP	Priority 3. Tourism Incl. tourism promotion, tourism infrastructure development	All individuals/bodies within tourism sector.	Measure not specific to land types	Ślaskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Networking to assist sustainable tourism development, e.g. knowledge and experience sharing, green local product network development etc.
	Priority 5. Environment Incl. nature protection and promotion, ecological education, biodiversity and habitats restoration, ecological corridors passability restoration, flood risk mapping	All possible, incl. water bodies, national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Ślaskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Consultations with local stakeholders probable to be affected by nature protection measures implementation, e.g. wetlands restoration in cultivated river valleys.
ERDF & CF: 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Priority 3. Natural resources management and environmental threats counteracting Incl. natural water retention increase, risk management plans elaboration	All possible, but mainly water management bodies, environment services etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland.	Funds available for national or regional scale projects.	Regional scale consultations with stakeholders potentially affected by sustainable water management plan implementation.
	Priority 5. Nature protection and ecological attitude shaping Incl. degraded habitats restoration, ex situ and in situ protection of endangered species, species reintroduction, protected sites management plans elaboration, training, information and promotion campaigns, passages for animals construction within existing transport infrastructure, small infrastructure for tourists' access to protected sites modernization and development, networking for environment protection	All possible, but mainly protected areas management bodies, scientific bodies, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland.	Funds available for national or regional scale projects.	Regional scale networking to support development of nature protection based eco-tourism.
ERDF Poland-Slovak	Priority 1: Transborder infrastructure development	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation	Consultation meetings of relevant stakeholders (e.g. nature protection areas staff, local authorities,

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Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	Incl. environment protection institutions reinforcement, investments aiming at transborder area accessibility increase, nature protection infrastructure, common planning and management of environment bound services	authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	strengthening effect. Context: as part of transborder infrastructure development project	individuals) on nature protection and tourism infrastructure development.
	Priority 2: Socio-economic development Incl. tourism attractiveness increase, biodiversity protection, ecological education, networking	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Cooperation and knowledge sharing meetings on transborder eco-tourism network development.
	Priority 3: Supporting local initiatives (micro projects) Incl. small infrastructure projects, eco-tourism development, human capital building	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Cooperation and knowledge sharing meeting on transborder eco-tourism network development
ERDF Poland-Czech Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	Priority 1. Transport accessibility increase, environment protection and threats counteracting Incl. nature resources protection, flood protection, biodiversity protection and restoration, ecological education	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs, national and landscape parks etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Consultation meetings with interested stakeholders along transborder river basin management plan elaboration.
	Priority 2. Conditions for entrepreneurship and tourism development improvement Incl. networking, agro-tourism development, natural values promotion (incl. Natura 2000 sites), natural heritage protection, tourism infrastructure development, tourism promotion	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Consultation meetings with interested stakeholders on proposed active nature protection measures within management plan.
	Priority 3. Supporting local communities cooperation (Microprojects Fund)	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect. Funding can range from €2,000 – €30,000. Total costs of a project can reach €60,000 at maximum.	Workshops on knowledge sharing on eco-tourism development prospects within transborder area.

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ESF: ‘Human Capital’ OP	Priority 5. Good governance Activity 5.1 Government administration capacity increase, incl. strengthening its capacity in elaboration and implementation of national/interregional programmes and strategies, inter-institutional cooperation reinforcement, Activity 5.2 Self-government administration capacity increase, incl. strengthening its capacity in elaboration and implementation of regional/local scale programmes and strategies,	All possible	Measure not specific to land types.	All regions of Poland.	Projects' target group: public administration employees	Cooperation between public administration and private bodies and NGOs with respect to effective environmental management and protected areas management in particular, incl. meetings and workshops, knowledge transfer networking etc.
	5.4 Third sector capacity increase, incl. regional and local scale networking within the NGO sector, training and counseling for existing and developing NGOs 5.5 Partnership based state, incl. cooperation building between public administration and NGOs on elaboration of plans and projects, public services delivery and social audit of public institutions development by training, information an promotion campaigns etc.	All possible	Measure not specific to land types.	All regions of Poland.	Projects' target group: non-government organizations and public administration employees	Training for NGOs' on effective public participation in environment bound decision-making processes, e.g. flood management plan, protected sites management plan, special planning documents etc. Training public administration representatives on effective involvement of social partners in the decision-making processes regarding nature protection and special planning.
	Priority 3. Measures for common wealth 3.1 Economic bodies and organizations cooperation, incl. fish producers organizations development, restructuring and adaptation to current market needs, international partnerships building, training methods and tools development	Fish production enterprises and related organizations.	Measure not specific to land types.	All regions of Poland.	Funds can only be granted to a recognized fish producers and related bodies.	Funds for fish producers networking, knowledge transfer on sustainable aquaculture, agro- and eco-tourism development etc.
EAFRD: Rural Development Plan 2007-	Axis 4 LEADER Local Development Strategy Implementation	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships,	Rural areas.	Area covered by the Local Development Strategy	Funding can be granted if planned project is to help in elaboration and implementation of Local	Organization of workshops for local society representatives in order to choose the most promising fields of interest and the most effective

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2013	Incl. Local Development Strategy elaboration, thematic workshops for local society within area covered by LDS	enterprises and organizations based in the area covered by LDS.	Rural areas.	elaborated and implemented by Local Action Group.	Development Strategy. LAC is to choose projects for financing, incl. so called small projects up to 100,000 PLN.	methods for implementing Local Development Strategy.
LIFE +	Axis 4 LEADER Local Action Group (LAG) functioning, gaining skills and activation Incl. local community activities animation, training for local leaders	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships	Rural areas.	Area covered by the Local Development Strategy elaborated and implemented by Local Action Group.	Funding can be granted if planned activity is to help in implementation of Local Development Strategy.	Organization of workshops for local leaders to exchange experience on best methods to activate local community e.g. in traditional farming methods local project.
	3 Eligibility criteria	All possible	All possible	None	LIFE+ shall not finance measures which fall within the eligibility criteria of, or receive assistance for the same purpose, as from other Community financial instruments (see Art 10). Eligible if meeting the added value criteria of article 3 and measures of annex 1.	
FP7	2(1) f Environment, e.g. climate change, pollution and risks; conservation and sustainable management of natural and man-made resources (e.g. protection and management of biodiversity); environment and technologies (e.g. environmental restoration)	All possible	Measure not specific to land type	Transnational cooperation	Context: as a part of the research project when stakeholder engagement is needed	Research project on Natura 2000 management could include consultation of stakeholders, assessment of acceptability of management practices, benefits arising from Natura 2000 sites etc.
EEA	Priority 2. Sustainable Development Promoting Incl. preserving biodiversity within Natura 2000 sites, local environmental problems solving, ecological education, networking Priority 4. Human Capital Development Incl. training for public administration and NGO staff, local	All possible	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Minimum project funding to be applied for is €250,000.	Consultations with local inhabitants and landowners along active nature protection project realization.
		All possible, priority given to public administration and NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area		Training for public administration and NGOs on effective involvement and participation in public consultation process on plans and projects regarding environment.

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	partnerships promotion, social partners involvement increase						
	Priority 9. Regional Policy and Transborder Actions Incl. transborder cooperation programmes, knowledge transfer, eco-tourism networking	All possible, priority given to public administration and NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area		Transborder workshops on knowledge transfer on eco-tourism development.	
EEA for NGOs	Theme 2. Environment protection and sustainable development	NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Project funding to be applied for ranges from €5,000 to €250,000. If project funding is above €150,000 a partner from abroad is required.		
NFEP&WM	Priority 5. Nature and landscape protection and ecological attitudes shaping 5.3 Ecological attitudes shaping towards environment protection Incl. environmental networking, involving general public in decision making process Similar to NFEP&WM but within individual voivodships (see above).	All possible	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	Funds available for high budget projects of national or regional importance.	Series of workshops for NGOs representatives on active participation in public consultation process in order to re-design potentially environmentally harmful projects.	
RFEF&WM							
EcoFund	Priority IV Nature protection Incl. wetlands, endangered species, Natura 2000 sites, national and landscape parks protection.	All possible, incl. local authorities, NGOs, national and landscape parks	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	For information on consultation funding opportunities one needs to turn to detailed guidelines for individual EcoFund tenders.		

Activity 8: REVIEW OF MANAGEMENT PLANS, STRATEGIES AND SCHEMES*Review and updating of management plans and strategies.*

Fund	Description	Target groups	Land types	Area restrictions	Notes/other restrictions	Examples
ERDF: Podkarpackie ROP	Priority 3. Environment protection and natural threats counteracting Flood prevention infrastructure and sustainable use of water resources, incl. flood risk management plans, flood risk mapping etc. Biological and landscape biodiversity conservation and protection, incl. management plans for Natura 2000 and other protected sites, environmental monitoring systems etc	All possible, incl. water management bodies, NGOs, scientific centres	Measure not specific to land types	Podkarpackie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Review of protected sites management plans with respect to flood risk prevention, active nature conservation measures effectiveness etc.
ERDF: Małopolskie ROP	Priority 3. Tourism and culture industry Investments in preserving and promoting natural heritage, Natura 2000 in particular, nature protection etc. aiming at region's attractiveness increase.	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Małopolskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Review of protected sites management plans with respect to endangered flagship species protection.
	Priority 7. Environment protection infrastructure Integrated river basin management planning aiming at flood protection improvement.	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Małopolskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Review of river basin management plan with respect to flood prevention.
	Priority 8. Interregional cooperation Common strategies on interregional problems e.g. nature protection, natural threats counteracting; interregional cooperation on tourism development, nature protection etc..	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Małopolskie voivodship area	The projects need to have interregional context.	Review of interregional/transboundary nature protection/flood management plan with respect to cross-border actions coordination.
ERDF: Śląskie ROP	Priority 5. Environment Incl. nature protection and promotion, ecological education, biodiversity and habitats	All possible, incl. water bodies, national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Śląskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Review of protected sites management /river restoration plan.

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	restoration, ecological corridors restoration, flood risk mapping				Territory of Poland.	Funds available for national or regional scale projects.	Review of regional scale water management plan to increase flood risk prevention.
ERDF & CF: 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Priority 3. Natural resources management and environmental threats counteracting Incl. natural water retention increase, risk management plans elaboration	All possible, but mainly water management bodies, environment services etc.	Measure not specific to land types		Territory of Poland.	Funds available for national or regional scale projects.	Review of regional scale protected sites integrated management plan to stimulate eco-tourism development.
ERDF Poland-Slovak Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	Priority 5. Nature protection and ecological attitude shaping Incl. degraded habitats restoration, ex situ and in situ protection of endangered species, species reintroduction, protected sites management plans elaboration, training, information and promotion campaigns, passages for animals construction within existing transport infrastructure, small infrastructure for tourists' access to protected sites modernization and development, networking for environment protection	All possible, but mainly protected areas management bodies, scientific bodies, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types		Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder protected area management plan review.
	Priority 2: Socio-economic development Incl. biodiversity protection, networking	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types		Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder protected area management plan review.
ERDF Poland-Czech Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	Priority 3: Supporting local initiatives (micro projects)	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types		Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Review of management plan for a transborder nature protected area/network of protected areas.
	Priority 1. Transport accessibility increase, environment protection and threats counteracting Incl. nature resources protection, flood protection, biodiversity protection and restoration, common plans and studies elaboration	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types				
	Priority 3. Supporting local	All bodies active	Measure not		Poland-Czech	Funds available for local	Review of management plan for a

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	communities cooperation (Microprojects Fund)	within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	specific to land types.	Republic transborder area.	projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect. Funding can range from €2,000 – €30,000. Total costs of a project can reach €60,000 at maximum.	selected transborder protected area.
ESF: 'Human Capital' OP	No available funding.					
EFF: 'Fisheries and coastal areas sustainable development' OP	No available funding.					
EAFRD: Rural Development Plan 2007- 2013	Axis 4 LEADER Local Development Strategy Implementation	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships, enterprises and organizations based in the area covered by LDS.	Rural areas.	Area covered by the Local Development Strategy elaborated and implemented by Local Action Group.	Funding can be granted if planned project is to help in elaboration and implementation of Local Development Strategy. LAC is to choose projects for financing, incl. so called small projects from 4,500 up to 25,000 PLN.	Review of a management plan of a protected area sustaining basis for Local Development Strategy.
	Axis 4 LEADER Local Action Group (LAG) functioning, gaining skills and activation Incl. research on the area covered by the Local Development Strategy (LDS), 3 Eligibility criteria	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships	Rural areas.	Area covered by the Local Development Strategy elaborated and implemented by Local Action Group.	Funding can be granted if planned activity is to help in elaboration and implementation of Local Development Strategy.	Review of a management plan for a protected area sustaining basis for Local Development Strategy along the works of Local Action Group.
LIFE +		All possible	All possible	None	LIFE+ shall not finance measures which fall within the eligibility criteria of, or receive assistance for the same purpose from, other Community financial instruments (see Art 10). Eligible if meeting the added value criteria of article 3 and measures of annex 1.	

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FP7	2(1) f Environment, e.g. climate change, pollution and risks; conservation and sustainable management of natural and man-made resources (e.g. protection and management of biodiversity); environment and technologies (eg environmental restoration)	All possible	Measure not specific to land type	Transnational cooperation	Context: research	Research programmes aimed at determining effectiveness of original management plans and developing ideas to be included in future management of sites and the Natura 2000 network in a broader context.
EEA	Priority 2. Sustainable Development Promoting Incl. preserving biodiversity, local environmental problems solving, forest ecosystems protection	All possible	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Minimum project funding to be applied for is €250,000.	Review of Natura 2000/national park management plan
EEA for NGOs	Theme 2. Environment protection and sustainable development	NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Project funding to be applied for ranges from €5,000 to €250,000. If project funding is above €150,000 a partner from abroad is required.	
NFEP&WM	Priority 5. Nature and landscape protection and ecological attitudes shaping 5.1 Nature and landscape protection Incl. habitats and species protection, management plans elaboration Similar to NFEP&WM but within individual voivodships (see above).	All possible	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	For information on management plans review opportunities one needs to turn to detailed guidelines for individual NFEP&WM tenders.	
RFEP&WM						
EcoFund	Priority IV Nature protection Incl. wetlands, endangered species, Natura 2000 sites protection and national and landscape parks protection.	All possible, incl. local authorities, NGOs, national and landscape parks	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	For information on management plans review opportunities one needs to turn to detailed guidelines for individual EcoFund tenders.	

Activity 9: RUNNING COSTS OF MANAGEMENT BODIES

Maintenance of buildings and equipment, running costs incurred to meet depreciation of infrastructure, consumables, travel expenses, rents, leases etc.

Fund	Description	Target groups	Land types	Area restrictions	Notes/other restrictions	Examples
ERDF: Podkarpackie ROP	No available funding.					
ERDF: Małopolskie ROP	No available funding.					
ERDF: Śląskie ROP	No available funding.					
ERDF & CF: 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	No available funding.					
ERDF Poland-Slovak Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	No available funding.					
ERDF Poland-Czech Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	No available funding.					
ESF: 'Human Capital' OP	No available funding.					
EFF: 'Fisheries and coastal areas sustainable development' OP	No available funding.					
EAFRD: Rural Development	Axis 4 LEADER Local Action Group (LAG)	Local Action Groups – local public-private	Rural areas.	Area covered by the Local Development		

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Plan 2007-2013	functioning, gaining skills and activation	partnerships		Strategy elaborated and implemented by Local Action Group.		
LIFE +	Incl. Local Action Group running costs (administrative costs) No available funding.					
FP7	No available funding.					
EEA	No available funding.					
NFEP&WM	No available funding.					
RFEF&WM	No available funding.					
EcoFund	No available funding.					

Activity 10: INVESTMENTS IN AND MAINTENANCE OF FACILITIES FOR PUBLIC ACCESS TO AND USE OF SITES

Interpretation works, observatories and kiosks, costs related to guides, maps, related personnel.

Fund	Description	Target groups	Land types	Area restrictions	Notes/other restrictions	Examples
ERDF: Podkarpackie ROP	Priority 3. Environment protection and natural threats counteracting	All possible, incl. water management bodies, NGOs, scientific centres	Measure not specific to land types	Podkarpackie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Development of public access facilities e.g. educational pathways, view points, observation spots encouraging tourists and local people to visit nature protection sites.
	Biological and landscape biodiversity conservation and protection, incl. Natura 2000 promotion bound infrastructure ecological education centres etc.					
ERDF: Malopolskie ROP	Priority 5. Tourism and culture	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Podkarpackie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP or Rural Development Plan	Modernization and development of trekking/biking routes within nature protection sites with compatible information system (information boards, centres, qualified guides).
	Incl. tourism infrastructure development, e.g. tourist routes and accompanying infrastructure					
ERDF: Slaskie ROP	Priority 3. Tourism and culture industry	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Malopolskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Investments along newly set or modernized tourist routes, e.g. observation spots, pathways, information charts etc.
	Investments in preserving and promoting natural heritage, Natura 2000 in particular; nature protection, investments in tourists routes development and modernization etc. aiming at region's attractiveness increase.					
ERDF: Slaskie ROP	Priority 3. Tourism	All individuals/bodies within tourism sector.	Measure not specific to land types	Slaskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Development and modernization of trekking/biking route set along cultural and natural heritage tourists attractions.
	Incl. tourism promotion, tourism infrastructure development, e.g. biking and trekking routes, parking areas modernization and development					
ERDF & CF: 'Infrastructure and Environment'	Priority 5. Environment	All possible, incl. water bodies, national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Slaskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Investments in infrastructure providing access to protected sites, e.g. observation spots for bird watching, pathways, information charts etc.
	Incl. nature protection, biodiversity and habitats restoration, ecological corridors passability restoration					
ERDF & CF: 'Infrastructure and Environment'	Priority 5. Nature protection and ecological attitude shaping	All possible, but mainly protected areas management	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland.	Funds available for national or regional scale projects.	Regional scale tourists access to protected sites, incl. biking/trekking routes, parking lots, access roads, education centres, etc.
	Incl. degraded habitats restoration,					

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OP	information and promotion campaigns, small infrastructure for tourists' access to protected sites modernization and development	bodies, scientific bodies, NGOs				
ERDF Poland-Slovak Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	Priority 1: Transborder infrastructure development Incl. investments aiming at transborder area accessibility increase, nature protection infrastructure	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder project on biking and trekking routes infrastructure development.
	Priority 2: Socio-economic development Incl. tourism attractiveness increase, ecological education	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder project on biking and trekking routes infrastructure development.
	Priority 3: Supporting local initiatives (microprojects) Incl. small infrastructure projects, eco-tourism development	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder local project on biking and trekking routes infrastructure development.
ERDF Poland-Czech Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	Priority 2: Conditions for entrepreneurship and tourism development improvement Incl. agro-tourism development, tourism infrastructure development e.g. tourist information, biking and trekking routes	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder trekking/biking route development with accompanying information infrastructure.
	Priority 3. Supporting local communities cooperation (Microprojects Fund)	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect. Funding can range from €2,000 – €30,000. Total costs of a project can reach €60,000 at maximum.	Local project on tourist information development along transborder tourist routes.
ESF: 'Human Capital' OP	No available funding.					
EFF: 'Fisheries and coastal areas sustainable development'	Priority.2 Aquaculture, inland fisheries, processing and fish market Activity 2.1 Aquaculture	Enterprises and other bodies involved in aquaculture	Coastal, marine and inland waters, wetlands.	All regions of Poland.	Preferred beneficiaries: small and medium enterprises. In case of SMEs funding is limited to 60% of all qualified	Investments in infrastructure for agro- and eco-tourism based on traditional sustainable methods of aquaculture and leisure fishing.

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OP	investments, incl. aquaculture facilities development, modernization and adaptation for leisure and tourism				costs of the project.	
EAFRD: Rural Development Plan 2007-2013	Axis 3 Quality of life within rural areas and rural economy diversification Shifting to non-agriculture activity Incl. subsidies for investments in tourism sector	Individual farmers.	Measure not specific to land type.	All regions of Poland.	Funding can reach as much as 50% of all qualified costs. The funding is to be 100,000 PLN at maximum.	Subsidies could be directed to establishing a tourists kiosk or observatories as part of individual farmer's actions aiming at eco-tourism development.
	Axis 3 Quality of life within rural areas and rural economy diversification Microenterprises establishment and development Incl. subsidies for investments in tourism sector	Individuals establishing micro-enterprise as well as existing micro-enterprises	Measure not specific to land type.	All regions of Poland.	Funding can reach as much as 50 % of all qualified costs. The more new posts are to be created the higher limit for total acceptable costs of the funded project.	Subsidies could be directed to maps preparation as part of micro-enterprises investment in tourism.
	Axis 3 Quality of life within rural areas and rural economy diversification Rural areas modernization and development Incl. construction, modernization and reconstruction of tourism infrastructure	Communes, NGOs.	Measure not specific to land type.	All regions of Poland.	Funding can reach as much as 75% of all qualified costs. The funding is to be 25,000 PLN at minimum.	Biking/trekking route establishment accompanied by information infrastructure.
	Axis 4 LEADER Local Development Strategy Implementation Incl. construction/reconstruction of small tourism infrastructure, leisure and camping areas, biking routes in particular.	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships, enterprises and organizations based in the area covered by LDS.	Rural areas.	Area covered by the Local Development Strategy elaborated and implemented by Local Action Group.	Funding can be granted if planned project is to help in elaboration and implementation of Local Development Strategy. LAC is to choose projects for financing, incl. so called small projects up to 100,000 PLN.	Project on camping network establishment within protected area.
	Axis 4 LEADER Cooperation projects implementation	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships	Rural areas.	Interregional and/or international cooperation within EU.	Funding can be granted to projects included in the Local Development Strategy or compatible with LDS.	Interregional/international project on biking routes and related information infrastructure establishment.

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	Incl. preparation and implementation of a project							
LIFE +	No available funding.							
FP7	No available funding.							
EEA	Priority 2. Sustainable Development Promoting Incl. preserving biodiversity, socio-economic importance of forests increase, green posts creation	All possible	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Minimum project funding to be applied for is €250,000.	Training for guides and observation points construction aiming at bird watching base development.		
EEA for NGOs	Theme 2. Environment protection and sustainable development	NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Project funding to be applied for ranges from €5,000 to €250,000. If project funding is above €150,000 a partner from abroad is required.			
NFEP&WM	Priority 5. Nature and landscape protection and ecological attitudes shaping 5.1 Nature and landscape protection Incl. habitats and species protection, small tourist infrastructure development Similar to NFEP&WM but within individual voivodships (see above).	All possible	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	Funds available for high budget projects of national or regional importance.	Educational routes designing and establishment incl. observation spots, information tables, etc.		
RFEP&WM	Priority IV Nature protection							
EcoFund	Incl. wetlands, endangered species, Natura 2000 sites, national and landscape parks protection.	All possible, incl. local authorities, NGOs, national and landscape parks	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	For information on protected areas access infrastructure funding opportunities one needs to turn to detailed guidelines for individual EcoFund tenders.			

Activity 11: STAFF

Conservation/project officers, wardens/rangers, workers – ongoing staff costs.

Fund	Description	Target groups	Land types	Area restrictions	Notes/other restrictions	Examples
ERDF: Podkarpackie ROP	No available funds					
ERDF: Małopolskie ROP	No available funds					
ERDF: Śląskie ROP	No available funds					
ERDF & CF: 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	No available funding.					
ERDF Poland-Slovak Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	No available funding.					
ERDF Poland-Czech Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	No available funding.					
ESF: 'Human Capital' OP	No available funding.					
EFF: 'Fisheries and coastal areas sustainable development' OP	No available funding					
EAFRD: Rural Development	No available funding.					

Activity 12: CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT MEASURES – HABITATS

Maintenance and improvement of habitats' favourable status, incl. restoration work, provision of wildlife passages, management of specific habitats, preparation of management plans.

Fund	Description	Target groups	Land types	Area restrictions	Notes/other restrictions	Examples
ERDF: Podkarpackie ROP	Priority 3. Environment protection and natural threats countering Flood prevention infrastructure and sustainable use of water resources, incl. wetlands maintenance and restoration, river valleys and flood risk management plans etc. Biological and landscape biodiversity conservation and protection, incl. ecosystem and landscape biodiversity protection, degraded ecosystems and habitats restoration, habitats conservation, management plans for Natura 2000 and other protected sites, environmental barriers removal etc	All possible, incl. water management bodies, NGOs, scientific centres	Measure not specific to land types	Podkarpackie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Wetlands restoration project within flood management plan, extensive grazing project aiming at grasslands restoration.
ERDF: Malopolskie ROP	Priority 3. Tourism and culture industry Investments in preserving and promoting natural heritage, Natura 2000 in particular, nature protection etc. aiming at region's attractiveness increase. Investments in degraded areas revitalization	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Malopolskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Wetlands and meadows maintenance project to preserve rare bird habitats and sustain basis for bird watching tourism development.
	Priority 7. Environment protection infrastructure Integrated river basin management planning aiming at flood protection improvement, e.g. investments in river basins natural retention increase	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Malopolskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Regulated river restoration project aiming at natural retention increase and slowing down surface flow.
	Priority 8. Interregional cooperation	All possible, incl. national and	Measure not specific to land	Malopolskie voivodship area	The projects need to have interregional context.	Interregional/transboundary river and wetlands restoration plan to

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	Common strategies on interregional problems e.g. nature protection, natural threats counteracting; interregional cooperation on tourism development, nature protection etc.	landscape parks, NGOs	types			reduce flood risk in transboundary river basin.
ERDF: Slaskie ROP	Priority 5. Environment Incl. nature protection, biodiversity and habitats restoration, ecological corridors restoration	All possible, incl. water bodies, national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Slaskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Extensive grazing project aiming at grasslands restoration.
ERDF & CF: 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Priority 3. Natural resources management and environmental threats counteracting Incl. natural water retention increase, risk management plans elaboration	All possible, but mainly water management bodies, environment services etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland.	Funds available for national or regional scale projects.	Regulated river and wetlands restoration project aiming at natural retention increase and slowing down surface flow.
	Priority 5. Nature protection and ecological attitude shaping Incl. degraded habitats restoration, protected sites management plans elaboration, passages for animals construction within existing transport infrastructure	All possible, but mainly protected areas management bodies, scientific bodies, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland.	Funds available for national or regional scale projects.	Regional scale project on construction of passages for animals decreasing habitats fragmentation along existing roads/railways.
ERDF Poland-Slovak Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	Priority 1: Transborder infrastructure development Incl. nature protection infrastructure	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder cooperation project on water infrastructure modernization in order to maintaining transborder wetland area.
	Priority 2: Socio-economic development Incl. nature protection	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Regulated transborder streams restoration project.
	Priority 3: Supporting local initiatives (micro projects)	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Local scale transborder project on extensive grazing to sustain meadows as part of traditional landscape.
ERDF Poland-Czech Republic	Priority 1. Transport accessibility increase, environment protection and threats counteracting	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation	Transborder wetlands restoration project.

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Transborder Cooperation OP	Incl. nature resources protection, flood protection, biodiversity protection and restoration, flood protection	authorities, NGOs, national and landscape parks etc.			strengthening effect.	
	Priority 2. Conditions for entrepreneurship and tourism development improvement	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder meadows grazing project.
	Incl. natural heritage protection, Priority 3. Supporting local communities cooperation (Microprojects Fund)	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect. Funding can range from €2,000 – €30,000. Total costs of a project can reach €60,000 at maximum.	Local project on native trees species reintroduction within transborder area to rebuild native habitats.
	No available funding.					
ESF: 'Human Capital' OP						
EFF: 'Fisheries and coastal areas sustainable development' OP	Priority 2 Aquaculture, inland fisheries, processing and fish market Activity 2.1 Aquaculture investments, incl. traditional environmentally friendly aquaculture implementation	Enterprises and other bodies involved in aquaculture.	Coastal, marine and inland waters, wetlands..	All regions of Poland.	Preferred beneficiaries: small and medium enterprises. In case of SMEs funding is limited to 60% of all qualified costs of the project.	Implementation of sustainable aquaculture practice minimizing negative impact on water habitats.
	Activity 2.2 Water environment measures, incl. promotion of aquaculture practices enhancing water ecosystems, natural resources and biodiversity protection, within Natura 2000 sites in particular.	Enterprises and other bodies involved in aquaculture.	Coastal, marine and inland waters, wetlands.	All regions of Poland.	Qualified costs are the costs born by the bodies involved in sustainable aquaculture implied by resigning from environmentally unfriendly intensive aquaculture methods, e.g. within Natura 2000 sites. Funding can reach 100% of the qualified costs. Funds will be granted to projects not eligible for funding under Rural Development Plan 2007-2013	Compensations for lost income due to shifting from common to sustainable aquaculture methods to motivate aquaculture operators to create and preserve semi-natural ponds/ to minimize pressure on water ecosystems.

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	Priority 3. Measures for common wealth 3.1 Economic bodies and organizations cooperation, incl. development, restructuring and improving aquaculture sites	Fish production enterprises and related organizations.	Coastal, marine, and inland waters, wetlands.	All regions of Poland.	Funds can only be granted to a recognized fish producers and related bodies.	Restoring aquaculture sites for the sake of sustainable aquaculture practice and agro- and eco-tourism development
	Activity 3.2 Water fauna and flora protection measures, incl. biodiversity protection, natural resources sustainable management via: river continuity restoration, riverbed restoration, spawning grounds preserving etc.	Public bodies, private-public partnerships and non-governmental organizations.	Coastal, marine, and inland waters, wetlands.	All regions of Poland.	Funding can reach as much as 100% of all qualified costs of the project. Funding connected with Natura 2000 management can only be granted for projects aiming directly at aquaculture and threatened species stocking.	River continuity restoration project incl. fishway construction on the existing dam/migration barriers removal and spawning grounds restoration creating favorable conditions for migratory fish restitution.
EAFRD: Rural Development Plan 2007- 2013	Axis 2 Rural areas and environment improvement Agri-environmental programme Incl. restoration and maintenance of valuable rural habitats and biodiversity within rural areas, proper soil and water management, packages such as: organic farming, endangered species and habitats protection within and outside Natura 2000 sites	Individual farmers fulfilling agri-environmental programmes requirements.	Measure not specific to land types.	All regions of Poland.	Subsidies reach from 330 PLN to 2,100 PLN/ha depending on the agri-environmental package. Farmer joining the agri-environmental programme is obliged to realize chosen package within 5 years period.	Farmers using agri-environmental subsidies are e.g. to lead phase mowing and maintain rare types of meadows, incl. those protected within Natura 2000 sites
	Axis 2 Rural areas and environment improvement Cultivated and non-cultivated areas afforestation ² Incl. maintenance and reinforcement of forest areas integrity by limiting habitats fragmentation and ecological corridors establishment Axis 4 LEADER	Individual farmers. Local Action Groups – local	Areas located outside Natura 2000 sites.	All regions of Poland.	Subsidies reach from 1,790 PLN to 6,260 PLN/ha depending on the afforested land type and chosen type of tree species. Afforestation needs to be in line with national guidelines on rural-forest spatial management and forest management plans.	Farmers using afforestation subsidies are e.g. to reintroduce native trees species in order to rebuild rare forest habitats as well as create ecological corridors.
			Rural areas.	Area covered by the Local Development	Funding can be granted if planned project is to help in	Native plant species purchase and planting in order to reintroduce rare

² However, afforestation within nature protection areas should not be undertaken when it has negative effects on biodiversity

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	Local Development Strategy Implementation	public-private partnerships, enterprises and organizations based in the area covered by LDS.	Rural areas.	Strategy elaborated and implemented by Local Action Group.	elaboration and implementation of Local Development Strategy. LAC is to choose projects for financing, incl. so called small projects from 4,500 up to 25,000 PLN.	forest habitats within Natura 2000 site as part of Local Development Strategy implementation.
	Axis 4 LEADER Cooperation projects implementation	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships	Rural areas.	Interregional and/or international cooperation within EU.	Funding can be granted to projects included in the Local Development Strategy or compatible with LDS.	Interregional/international project on native plant species reintroduction in order to rebuild native habitats and establish interregional/international scale ecological corridors.
LIFE +	Incl. preparation and implementation of a project				LIFE+ shall not finance measures which fall within the eligibility criteria of, or receive assistance for the same purpose, as from other Community financial instruments (see Art 10). Eligible if meeting the added value criteria of article 3, measures of annex 1 and not "recurring".	
FP7	3 Eligibility criteria 2(1) f Theme Environment, e.g. climate change, pollution and risks; conservation and sustainable management of natural and man-made resources (e.g. protection and management of biodiversity); environment and technologies (e.g. environmental restoration)	All possible	All possible	None		
	Priority 2: Sustainable Development Promoting Incl. biodiversity preservation and restoration	All possible	Measure not specific to land type	Transnational cooperation	Context: research	Research project could lead to development of more effective management measures for specific sites or biotypes.
EEA	Priority 2: Sustainable Development Promoting Incl. biodiversity preservation and restoration	All possible	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Minimum project funding to be applied for is €250,000.	Native trees species reintroduction within forest habitats.
EEA for NGOs	Theme 2: Environment protection and sustainable development	NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Project funding to be applied for ranges from €5,000 to €250,000. If project funding is above €150,000 a partner from abroad is required.	
NFEP&WM	Priority 5. Nature and landscape	All possible	Measure not	Territory of Poland	Funds available for high	Proper water conditions restoring

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	protection and ecological attitudes shaping		specific to land types		budget projects of national or regional importance.	project within wetland areas.
RFEF&WM	5.1 Nature and landscape protection Incl. habitats and species protection, ecological corridors passability increase Similar to NFEP&WM but within individual voivodships (see above).					
EcoFund	Priority IV Nature protection Incl. wetlands, endangered species, Natura 2000 sites protection and national and landscape parks protection.	All possible, incl. local authorities, NGOs, national and landscape parks	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	Funds available for information materials/workshops only if are part of nature protection bound project. Funding unavailable for projects co-funded or to be funded from CF, EAFRD and EEA funds.	Proper water conditions restoring project within wetland areas.

Activity 13: CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT MEASURES – SPECIES

Maintenance and improvement of species' favourable conservation status, incl. restoration work, provision of wildlife passages, management of specific species (flora and fauna), plans..

Fund	Description	Target groups	Land types	Area restrictions	Notes/other restrictions	Examples
ERDF: Podkarpackie ROP	Priority 3. Environment protection and natural threats counteracting Biological and landscape biodiversity conservation and protection, incl. species biodiversity protection, degraded ecosystems and habitats restoration, species reintroduction, management plans for Natura 2000 and other protected sites, wildlife passages, ecological barriers removal etc	All possible, incl. water management bodies, NGOs, scientific centres	Measure not specific to land types	Podkarpackie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Species reintroduction project e.g. lynx, wolf etc.
ERDF: Malopolskie ROP	Priority 3. Tourism and culture industry Investments in preserving and promoting natural heritage, Natura 2000 in particular, nature protection etc. aiming at region's attractiveness increase.	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Malopolskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Wetlands and meadows maintenance project aiming at preserving rare birds habitats.
	Priority 8. Interregional cooperation Common strategies on interregional problems e.g. nature protection	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Malopolskie voivodship area	The projects need to have interregional context.	Interregional/transboundary project aiming at preserving big mammals populations, e.g. lynx, wolf, bear threatened by deforestation, infrastructure development and habitats fragmentation etc.
ERDF: Slaskie ROP	Priority 5. Environment Incl. nature protection, biodiversity and habitats restoration, ecological corridors restoration	All possible, incl. water bodies, national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Slaskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Introduction of passages for animals along existing roads.
ERDF & CF: 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Priority 5. Nature protection and ecological attitude shaping Incl. degraded habitats restoration, ex situ and in situ protection of endangered species, species reintroduction, protected sites management plans elaboration.	All possible, but mainly protected areas management bodies, scientific bodies, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland.	Funds available for national or regional scale projects.	National/regional scale endangered species reintroduction programme

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	passages for animals construction within existing transport infrastructure		Measure not specific to land types				
ERDF Poland-Slovak Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	Priority 2: Socio-economic development Incl. biodiversity protection, endangered fauna and flora preventive measures	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder species reintroduction project.	
	Priority 3: Supporting local initiatives (micro projects)	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder project on native trees species reintroduction.	
ERDF Poland-Czech Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	Priority 1. Transport accessibility increase, environment protection and threats counteracting Incl. nature resources protection, flood protection, biodiversity protection and restoration	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs, national and landscape parks etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Project on species reintroduction within transborder area.	
	Priority 2. Conditions for entrepreneurship and tourism development improvement	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Project on native trees species protection.	
	Incl. natural heritage protection Priority 3. Supporting local communities cooperation (Microprojects Fund)	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect. Funding can range from €2,000 – €30,000. Total costs of a project can reach €60,000 at maximum.	Small scale project on species reintroduction within transborder area.	
ESF: 'Human Capital' OP	No available funding.						
EFF: 'Fisheries and coastal areas sustainable development' OP	Priority.2 Aquaculture, inland fisheries, processing and fish market Activity 2.1 Aquaculture investments, incl. traditional environmentally friendly	Enterprises and other bodies involved in aquaculture.	Coastal, marine and inland waters, wetlands.	All regions of Poland.	Preferred beneficiaries: small and medium enterprises. In case of SMEs funding is limited to 60% of all qualified costs of the project.	Implementation of sustainable aquaculture practice minimizing negative impact on water species and providing basis for rare water species, e.g. birds.	

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	aquaculture implementation					
	Activity 2.2 Water environment bound measures, incl. promotion of aquaculture practices enhancing water ecosystems, natural resources and biodiversity protection, within Natura 2000 sites in particular.	Enterprises and other bodies involved in aquaculture.	Coastal, marine and inland waters, wetlands.	All regions of Poland.	Qualified costs are the costs born by the individuals/bodies involved in sustainable aquaculture implied by resigning from environmentally unfriendly intensive aquaculture methods, e.g. within Natura 2000 site. Funding can reach 100% of the qualified costs. Funds will be granted to projects not eligible for funding under Rural Development Plan 2007-2013	Aquaculture species diversification, e.g. shifting to native species.
	Activity 3.2 Water fauna and flora protection measures, incl. biodiversity protection, natural resources sustainable management via: river continuity restoration, riverbed restoration, spawning grounds preserving etc.	Public bodies, private-public partnerships and non-governmental organizations.	Coastal, marine, and inland waters, wetlands.	All regions of Poland.	Funding can reach as much as 100% of all qualified costs of the project. Funding connected with Natura 2000 management can only be granted for projects aiming directly at aquaculture and threatened species stocking.	River continuity restoration project incl. fishway construction on the existing dam/migration barriers removal and spawning grounds restoration creating favorable conditions for migratory fish species, e.g. salmon.
EAFRD: Rural Development Plan 2007-2013	Axis 2 Rural areas and environment improvement Agri-environmental programme Incl. restoration and maintenance of valuable rural habitats and biodiversity within rural areas, proper soil and water management, packages such as: endangered species and habitats protection within and outside Natura 2000 sites.etc.	Individual farmers fulfilling agri-environmental programmes requirements.	Measure not specific to land types.	All regions of Poland.	Subsidies reach from 330 PLN to 2,100 PLN/ha depending on the agri-environmental package. Farmer joining the agri-environmental programme is obliged to realize chosen package within 5 years period.	Farmers using agri-environmental subsidies are e.g. to lead phase mowing and protect birds breeding areas incl. those protected within Natura 2000 sites etc.
	Axis 2 Rural areas and environment improvement	Individual farmers.	Areas located outside Natura	All regions of Poland.	Subsidies reach from 1,790 PLN to 6,260 PLN/ha	Farmers using afforestation subsidies are e.g. to reintroduce

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	Cultivated and non-cultivated areas afforestation ³ Incl. maintenance and reinforcement of forest areas integrity by limiting habitats fragmentation and ecological corridors establishment etc.	2000 sites.		depending on the afforested land type and chosen type of tree species. Afforestation needs to be in line with national guidelines on rural-forest spatial management and forest management plans. Subsidies cannot be granted for Christmas and fast growing trees plantations.	native trees species and to provide ecological corridors for migratory animals species, e.g. wolf.
	Axis 4 LEADER Local Development Strategy Implementation Incl. purchase and planting native and traditional vegetation in order to rebuild natural heritage, within Natura 2000 sites in particular etc.	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships, enterprises and organizations based in the area covered by LDS.	Rural areas.	Area covered by the Local Development Strategy elaborated and implemented by Local Action Group. Funding can be granted if planned project is to help in elaboration and implementation of Local Development Strategy. LAC is to choose projects for financing, incl. so called small projects from 4,500 up to 25,000 PLN.	Native plant species reintroduction project within Natura 2000 site as part of Local Development Strategy implementation.
	Axis 4 LEADER Cooperation projects implementation Incl. preparation and implementation of a project	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships	Rural areas.	Interregional and/or international cooperation within EU. Funding can be granted to projects included in the Local Development Strategy or compatible with LDS.	Interregional/international project on native plant species reintroduction in order to rebuild native habitats and establish interregional/international scale ecological corridors for migrating animal species, e.g. wolf.
LIFE +	3 Eligibility criteria 2(1) f Theme Environment, eg climate change, pollution and risks; conservation and sustainable management of natural and man-	All possible All possible	All possible Measure not specific to land type	In principle ineligible except for the circumstances foreseen in article 5(5) (b) and then only if such activities would meet the EU added value criteria of article 3 and specifically the reference to “recurring activities” . Context: research	For example, reintroduction scheme for endemic crayfishes into river system being restored. Research project could lead to development of more effective management measures for specific species.
FP7			Transnational cooperation		

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	made resources (e.g. protection and management of biodiversity); environment and technologies (e.g. environmental restoration)	All possible	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Minimum project funding to be applied for is €250,000.	Endangered bird of prey species protection programme in the Polish part of the Carpathians.
EEA	Priority 2. Sustainable Development Promoting Incl. biodiversity preservation and restoration	All possible	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Project funding to be applied for ranges from €5,000 to €250,000. If project funding is above €150,000 a partner from abroad is required.	
EEA for NGOs	Theme 2. Environment protection and sustainable development	NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Funds available for high budget projects of national or regional importance.	Passages for migrating animals within existing roads and railways.
NFEP&WM	Priority 5. Nature and landscape protection and ecological attitudes shaping 5.1 Nature and landscape protection Incl. habitats and species protection, improvements of ecological corridors Similar to NFEP&WM but within individual voivodships (see above).	All possible	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland		
RfEP&WM	Priority IV Nature protection Incl. wetlands, endangered species, Natura 2000 sites, national and landscape parks protection.	All possible, incl. local authorities, NGOs, national and landscape parks	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	Funds available for information materials/workshops only if are part of nature protection bound project. Funding unavailable for projects co-funded or to be funded from CF, EAFRD and EEA funds.	Native trees species reintroduction project within nature and landscape parks.
EcoFund						

Activity 14: CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT MEASURES - INVASIVE ALIEN SPECIES*Restoration work, infrastructure, management of specific species, preparation of management plans*

Fund	Description	Target groups	Land types	Area restrictions	Notes/other restrictions	Examples
ERDF: Podkarpackie ROP	Priority 3. Environment protection and natural threats counteracting Flood prevention infrastructure and sustainable use of water resources, incl. wetlands maintenance and restoration, river valleys and flood risk management plans etc. Biological and landscape biodiversity conservation and protection, incl. species biodiversity protection, degraded ecosystems and habitats restoration, species reintroduction, management plans for Natura 2000 and other protected sites etc	All possible, incl. water management bodies, NGOs, scientific centres	Measure not specific to land types	Podkarpackie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Invasive alien species halting river flow in river valleys eradication, invasive alien species affecting natural wetland areas eradication within flood management plan; Invasive alien species spreading counteracting plan within protected areas management plan.
ERDF: Malopolskie ROP	Priority 3. Tourism and culture industry Investments in preserving and promoting natural heritage, Natura 2000 in particular, nature protection etc. aiming at region's attractiveness increase.	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Malopolskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Invasive alien species altering native wetland/meadows/forest communities counteraction project.
	Priority 7. Environment protection infrastructure Integrated river basin management planning aiming at flood protection improvement, e.g. investments in river basins natural retention increase	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Malopolskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Removing invasive alien species halting river flow.
	Priority 8. Interregional cooperation Common strategies on interregional problems e.g. nature protection, natural threats counteracting etc.	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Malopolskie voivodship area	The projects need to have interregional context.	Interregional/transboundary project aiming at halting invasive alien species spread e.g. invasive forest pests.
ERDF: Slaskie ROP	Priority 5. Environment	All possible, incl. water bodies,	Measure not specific to land types	Slaskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale	Eradication of invasive alien species affecting plant communities of

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	Incl. nature protection and promotion, ecological education, biodiversity and habitats restoration, ecological corridors passability restoration	national and landscape parks, NGOs	types		projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	natural and/or economic importance, e.g. forests, grasslands.
ERDF & CF: 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Priority 3. Natural resources management and environmental threats counteracting Incl. natural water retention increase, risk management plans elaboration	All possible, but mainly water management bodies, environment services etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland.	Funds available for national or regional scale projects.	Regional scale project on invasive alien species halting river flow in river valleys eradication within flood management plan.
	Priority 5. Nature protection and ecological attitude shaping Incl. degraded habitats restoration, ex situ and in situ protection of endangered species, species reintroduction, protected sites management plans elaboration	All possible, but mainly protected areas management bodies, scientific bodies, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland.	Funds available for national or regional scale projects.	Invasive alien species control programme to support native threatened species reintroduction plan.
ERDF Poland-Slovak Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	Priority 1: Transborder infrastructure development Incl. common planning and management of environment bound services	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder project on invasive alien plant species removal from wetlands and riverbeds.
	Priority 2: Socio-economic development Incl. biodiversity protection, measures aiming at threats to fauna and flora prevention	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Project on halting transborder forest pests spread.
	Priority 3: Supporting local initiatives (micro projects)	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Local scale project on halting transborder forest pests spread
ERDF Poland-Czech Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	Priority 1. Transport accessibility increase, environment protection and threats counteracting Incl. nature resources protection, flood protection, biodiversity protection and restoration	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs, national and landscape parks etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Project on species reintroduction within transborder area connected with invasive alien species eradication and control.
	Priority 2. Conditions for	All bodies active	Measure not	Poland-Czech	Funds available for regional	Project on native trees species

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	entrepreneurship and tourism development improvement Incl. natural heritage protection	within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	specific to land types.	Republic transborder area.	and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	protection connected with invasive alien species eradication and control.
	Priority 3. Supporting local communities cooperation (Microprojects Fund)	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect. Funding can range from €2,000 – €30,000. Total costs of a project can reach €60,000 at maximum.	Small scale project on species reintroduction within transborder area connected with invasive alien species eradication and control.
ESF: 'Human Capital' OP	No available funding.					
EFF: 'Fisheries and coastal areas sustainable development' OP	Priority 2 Aquaculture, inland fisheries, processing and fish market Activity 2.1 Aquaculture investments, incl. traditional environmentally friendly aquaculture implementation	Enterprises and other bodies involved in aquaculture.	Coastal, marine and inland waters, wetlands..	All regions of Poland.	Preferred beneficiaries: small and medium enterprises. In case of SMEs funding is limited to 60% of all qualified costs of the project.	Aquaculture including native vegetation maintenance at fishponds combined with invasive plant species control.
	Activity 2.2 Water environment bound measures, incl. promotion of aquaculture practices enhancing water ecosystems, natural resources and biodiversity protection, within Natura 2000 sites in particular.	Enterprises and other bodies involved in aquaculture.	Coastal, marine and inland waters, wetlands.	All regions of Poland.	Qualified costs are the costs born by the individuals/bodies involved in sustainable aquaculture implied by resigning from environmentally unfriendly intensive aquaculture methods, e.g. within Natura 2000 site. Funding can reach 100% of the qualified costs. Funds will be granted to projects not eligible for funding under Rural Development Plan 2007-2013	Aquaculture including native vegetation maintenance at fishponds combined with invasive plant species control.
	Activity 3.2 Water fauna and flora protection measures, incl. biodiversity protection, natural resources sustainable management via: river continuity restoration,	Public bodies, private-public partnerships and non-governmental organizations.	Coastal, marine and inland waters, wetlands.	All regions of Poland.	Funding can reach as much as 100% of all qualified costs of the project. Funding connected with Natura 2000 management	Removing invasive alien plant species from ponds/river beds.

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	riverbed restoration, spawning grounds preserving etc.	Individual farmers fulfilling agri-environmental programmes requirements.		Measure not specific to land types.	All regions of Poland.	can only be granted for projects aiming directly at aquaculture and threatened species stocking.	
EAFRD: Rural Development Plan 2007-2013	Axis 2 Rural areas and environment improvement Agri-environmental programme Incl. restoration and maintenance of valuable rural habitats and biodiversity within rural areas, packages such as: endangered species and habitats protection within and outside Natura 2000 sites.etc.	Individual farmers fulfilling agri-environmental programmes requirements.		Measure not specific to land types.	All regions of Poland.	Subsidies reach from 330 PLN to 2,100 PLN/ha depending on the agri-environmental package. Farmer joining the agri-environmental programme is obliged to realize chosen package within 5 years period.	Farmers using agri-environmental subsidies are e.g. to eradicate/control invasive alien species if they threaten endangered species protected e.g. within Natura 2000 network.
	Axis 2 Rural areas and environment improvement Cultivated and non-cultivated areas afforestation ⁴ Incl. maintenance and reinforcement of forest areas integrity by limiting habitats fragmentation and ecological corridors establishment etc.	Individual farmers.		Areas located outside Natura 2000 sites.	All regions of Poland.	Subsidies reach from 1,790 PLN to 6,260 PLN/ha depending on the afforested land type and chosen type of tree species. Afforestation needs to be in line with national guidelines on rural-forest spatial management and forest management plans.	Farmers using afforestation subsidies are e.g. to reintroduce native trees species and to maintain established plantations by invasive alien species eradication/control.
	Axis 4 LEADER Local Development Strategy Implementation Incl. purchase and planting native and traditional vegetation in order to rebuild natural heritage, within Natura 2000 sites in particular	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships, enterprises and organizations based in the area covered by LDS.		Rural areas.	Area covered by the Local Development Strategy elaborated and implemented by Local Action Group.	Funding can be granted if planned project is to help in elaboration and implementation of Local Development Strategy. LAC is to choose projects for financing, incl. so called small projects from 4,500 up to 25,000 PLN.	Native plant species reintroduction project within Natura 2000 site accompanied by necessary actions aiming at invasive alien species e.g. forest pests control as part of Local Development Strategy implementation.
	Axis 4 LEADER Cooperation projects implementation Incl. preparation and implementation of a project	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships		Rural areas.	Interregional and/or international cooperation within EU.	Funding can be granted to projects included in the Local Development Strategy or compatible with LDS.	Interregional/international project on native plant species reintroduction in order to rebuild native habitats and half invasive alien species spread.

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LIFE +								Ineligible in its own right but may be partly eligible if part of a conservation project set out at points 12 or 13 and meeting the added value criteria of article 3 and not "recurring"	
FP7	3 Eligibility criteria 2(1) f Theme Environment, e.g. climate change, pollution and risks; conservation and sustainable management of natural and man-made resources (e.g. protection and management of biodiversity); environment and technologies (e.g. environmental restoration)	All possible	All possible	All possible	Measure not specific to land type	Transnational cooperation	Context: research	Development of new measures for control/management/eradication of IAS, especially in relation to Natura 2000 sites.	
	2(1) g Theme: transport (e.g. greening of surface and air transport)	All possible	All possible	All possible	Measure not specific to land type	Transnational cooperation	Context: research on adaptation/improvement of transportation infrastructure to mitigate effect to Natura 2000 sites	Development of new measures for preventing spread of IAS through transport networks.	
EEA	Priority 2. Sustainable Development Promoting Incl. biodiversity preservation and restoration	All possible	All possible	All possible	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Minimum project funding to be applied for is €250,000.	Invasive alien trees species eradication and control in order to preserve native forest ecosystems.	
EEA for NGOs	Theme 2. Environment protection and sustainable development	NGOs			Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Project funding to be applied for ranges from €5,000 to €250,000. If project funding is above €150,000 a partner from abroad is required.		
NFEP&WM	Priority 5. Nature and landscape protection and ecological attitudes shaping 5.1 Nature and landscape protection Incl. habitats and species protection, ecological corridors passability increase Similar to NFEP&WM but within individual voivodships (see above).	All possible			Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	Funds available for high budget projects of national or regional importance.	Invasive alien tress species within non-forest habitats removal.	
RFEP&WM									
EcoFund	Priority IV Nature protection Incl. wetlands, endangered	All possible, incl. local authorities, NGOs, national			Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland	Funds available for information materials/workshops only if	Invasive alien species within wetland areas removal.	

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	species, Natura 2000 sites, national and landscape parks protection.	and landscape parks			are part of nature protection bound project. Funding unavailable for projects co-funded or to be funded from CF, EAFRD and EEA funds.	
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Activity 15: CROSS-BORDER MANAGEMENT OF SITES

Incl. activities 1-14 but across national borders.

Fund	Description	Target groups	Land types	Area restrictions	Notes/other restrictions	Examples
ERDF: Podkarpackie ROP	Priority 3. Environment protection and natural threats counteracting Flood prevention infrastructure and sustainable use of water resources, incl. wetlands maintenance and restoration, river valleys and flood risk management plans etc. Biological and landscape biodiversity conservation and protection, incl. species biodiversity protection, degraded ecosystems and habitats restoration, species reintroduction, management plans for Natura 2000 and other protected sites, wildlife passages, ecological barriers removal etc.	All possible, incl. water management bodies, NGOs, scientific centres	Measure not specific to land types	Podkarpackie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP, projects need to be compatible with Transboundary Cooperation Programme Poland-Slovak Republic 2007-2013	Flood management plan elaboration and implementation within transboundary river basin to maximize flood risk prevention effectiveness. Cross-border management plan for endangered species protection e.g bear in the Tatra Mountains.
ERDF: Malopolskie ROP	Priority 8. Interregional cooperation Common strategies on interregional problems e.g. nature protection, natural threats counteracting; interregional cooperation on tourism development, nature protection etc.	All possible, incl. national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Malopolskie voivodship area	The projects need to have interregional context.	Interregional/transboundary nature protection plan elaboration and implementation, e.g. big mammals protection, forest management etc.
ERDF: Slaskie ROP	Priority 5. Environment Incl. nature protection and promotion, ecological education, biodiversity and habitats restoration, ecological corridors restoration, flood risk mapping	All possible, incl. water bodies, national and landscape parks, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Slaskie voivodship area	Funds available for voivodship or local scale projects not eligible for funding under 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Interregional/transboundary threatened species reintroduction project.
ERDF & CF: 'Infrastructure and Environment' OP	Priority 3. Natural resources management and environmental threats counteracting Incl. natural water retention increase, risk management plans elaboration	All possible, but mainly water management bodies, environment services etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland.	Funds available for national or regional scale projects.	Transboundary river basin management plan elaboration and implementation to increase flood risk prevention.

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	Priority 5. Nature protection and ecological attitude shaping Incl. degraded habitats restoration, ex situ and in situ protection of endangered species, species reintroduction, protected sites management plans elaboration, training, information and promotion campaigns, passages for animals construction within existing transport infrastructure, small infrastructure for tourists' access to protected sites modernization and development, networking for environment protection	All possible, but mainly protected areas management bodies, scientific bodies, NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	Territory of Poland.	Funds available for national or regional scale projects.	Transboundary threatened species reintroduction programme.
ERDF Poland-Slovak Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	Priority 1: Transborder infrastructure development Incl. environment protection institutions reinforcement, investments aiming at transborder area accessibility increase, nature protection infrastructure, common planning and management of environment bound services	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder pilot project on biking and trekking routes infrastructure development.
	Priority 2: Socio-economic development Incl. tourism attractiveness increase, biodiversity protection, ecological education, networking	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder pilot project on eco-tourism development.
	Priority 3: Supporting local initiatives (micro projects) Incl. small infrastructure projects, eco-tourism development, human capital building	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types	Poland-Slovak Republic transborder area.	Funds available for local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder local pilot project on knowledge sharing platform establishment on eco-tourism prospects.
ERDF Poland-Czech Republic Transborder Cooperation OP	Priority 1. Transport accessibility increase, environment protection and threats counteracting Incl. nature resources protection, flood protection, biodiversity protection and restoration, ecological education	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs, national and landscape parks etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder project on natural retention increase.

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	Priority 2. Conditions for entrepreneurship and tourism development improvement Incl. networking, agro-tourism development, natural values promotion (incl. Natura 2000 sites), natural heritage protection, tourism infrastructure development, tourism promotion	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for regional and local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect.	Transborder project on agro- and eco-tourism promotion based on protected areas, incl. Natura 2000 sites.
	Priority 3. Supporting local communities cooperation (Microprojects Fund)	All bodies active within transborder area, incl. local authorities, NGOs etc.	Measure not specific to land types.	Poland-Czech Republic transborder area.	Funds available for local projects of transborder cooperation strengthening effect. Funding can range from €2,000 – €30,000. Total costs of a project can reach €60,000 at maximum.	Transborder local project on cooperation on eco-tourism development.
ESF: ‘Human Capital’ OP	Priority 5. Good governance Activity 5.1 Government administration capacity increase, incl. strengthening its capacity in elaboration and implementation of national/interregional programmes and strategies, training, knowledge transfer Activity 5.2 Self-government administration capacity increase, incl. strengthening its capacity in elaboration and implementation of regional/local scale programmes and strategies, training, knowledge transfer	All possible	Measure not specific to land types.	All regions of Poland.	Projects’ target group: public administration employees	International internships for public administration representatives in EU institutions and other member states public institutions responsible for nature protection management aiming at knowledge and good practice transfer.
EFF: ‘Fisheries and coastal areas sustainable development’ OP	Priority 3. Measures for common wealth 3.1 Economic bodies and organizations cooperation, incl. fish producers organizations development, restructuring and adaptation to current market needs, international partnerships building, training methods and tools	Fish production enterprises and related organizations.	Measure not specific to land types.	All regions of Poland.	Funds can only be granted to a recognized fish producers and related bodies.	Funds for fish producers networking, knowledge transfer on sustainable aquaculture, agro- and eco-tourism development etc.

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EAFRD: Rural Development Plan 2007- 2013	development Axis 4 LEADER Cooperation projects implementation Incl. preparation and implementation of a project 3 Eligibility criteria	Local Action Groups – local public-private partnerships	Rural areas.	Interregional and/or international cooperation within EU.	Funding can be granted to projects included in the Local Development Strategy or compatible with LDS.	Interregional/international project on local societies involvement in nature protection, eco-tourism development etc.
LIFE +		All possible	All possible	None	LIFE+ shall not finance measures which fall within the eligibility criteria of, or receive assistance for the same purpose, as from other Community financial instruments (see Art 10). Eligible if meeting the added value criteria of article 3, measures of annex 1 and not "recurring".	
FP7	2(1) f Theme Environment, e.g. climate change, pollution and risks; conservation and sustainable management of natural and man- made resources (e.g. protection and management of biodiversity); environment and technologies (e.g. environmental restoration)	All possible	Measure not specific to land type	Transnational cooperation	Context: research	Research project to trial new management method e.g. compare grassland management regimes to determine which give better benefits to native butterflies and moths across Europe.
	2(1) g Theme: transport (e.g. greening of surface and air transport)	All possible	Measure not specific to land type	Transnational cooperation	Context: research on adaptation/improvement of transportation infrastructure to mitigate effect to Natura 2000 sites	Research on effectiveness of low- impact transport infrastructure eg effectiveness of underpasses for reptiles.
EEA	Priority 9. Regional Policy and Transborder Actions Incl. transborder cooperation programmes, knowledge transfer, eco-tourism networking, public administration training in EEA countries	All possible, priority given to public administration and NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area		Workshops on transborder knowledge transfer on eco-tourism development.
EEA for NGOs	Theme 2. Environment protection and sustainable development	NGOs	Measure not specific to land types	EEA and neighbouring countries area	Project funding to be applied for ranges from €5,000 to €250,000. If project funding is above €150,000 a partner from abroad is required.	

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