

**SAVE**

**THE**

**CARPATHIANS**



# The Carpathian Mountains

## Europe's second longest mountain range



**209,000 km<sup>2</sup>**

almost 7 times the size of Belgium

**50%**

of the Carpathian forests across all Carpathian Convention countries are covered by the EU's Natura 2000

**> 7,000**

Largest population of brown bears in the EU

**40%**

of the European eastern imperial and lesser spotted eagle populations, large populations of western capercaillie, many other forest birds



**17**

reptile and amphibian species recognized as endangered or characteristic of the region

**4K**

**native flora**

archaeophyte vascular plants (344 endangered, on the verge of extinction, or extinct)

# CURRENT DESTRUCTION RATE

**4ha/hour**

**7350** OF TREE CANOPY

have been lost to timber extraction in the last two decades across 7 countries

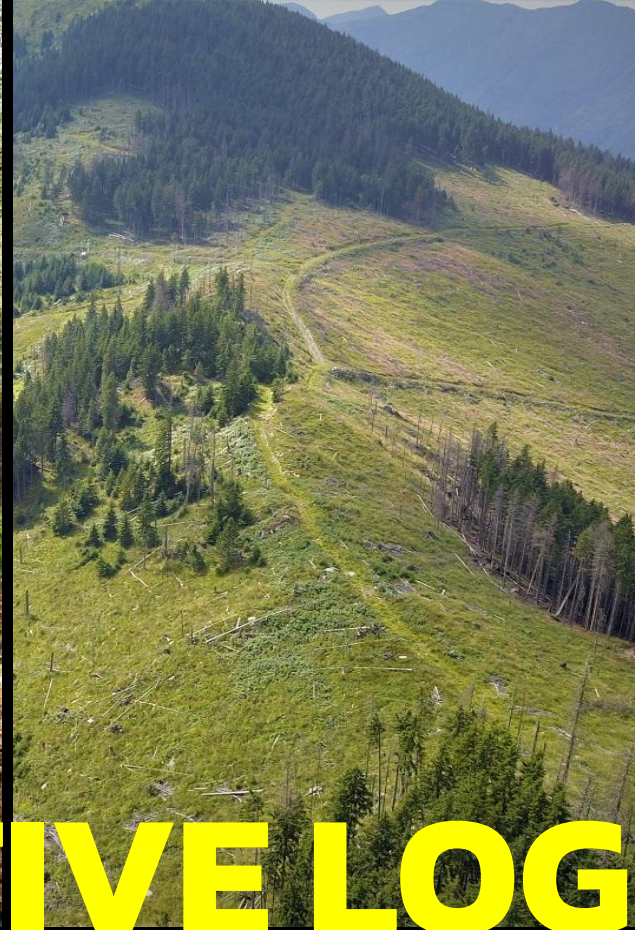
**km<sup>2</sup>**

**TOTAL AFFECTED AREA**

is twice larger than Paris, Berlin, Rome, Budapest, Brussels, and Warsaw combined).

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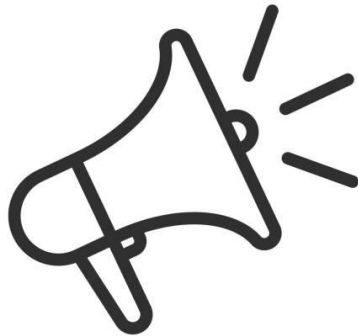
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**ACTIVE LOGGING**  
**IN 97% OF THE CARPATHIANS**

# OUR COMMITMENTS TO NATURE

We call upon the EUROPEAN COMMISSION and RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS to put forward an EU funded action plan for the Carpathians as a key European natural heritage.



IT IS URGENT TO:

- identify and monitor existing old growth forest,
- include EU-level binding measures for effective conservation of biodiversity within designated protected areas
- create transition funding for local communities, which are now dependent on the forest industry to provide sustainable jobs.

# THANK YOU !

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## Raport:

**The Carpathian  
forests. Europe's  
natural heritage  
under attack**

