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## Innovative Models for Protected Areas: exChange and Transfer (IMPACT)

### ***Molise Region Action Plan – Work in progress***

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# **ACTION 1 - Mountain habitat conservation: forests and open spaces**

## **Work in progress and what has been made:**

The Natura 2000 site management plans and the identification of site conservation measures specific to all Natura 2000 sites in the Molise Region are aimed precisely at the conservation of habitats and species, both plant and animal, of Community interest.

Among the conservation measures identified, some are consistent with the IMPACT Sub-action 1.2, for example:

Action IA4: Maintenance interventions of the grazing agro-ecosystem;

Action IA8: Preservation and enhancement of the habitat 6220 "Sub-steppe paths of graminee and annual plants (Thero-brachypodietea) \*";

Action IN07: Encouragement of extensive grazing and periodic mowing practices;

Action IN15: Incentives for clearing areas and open areas;

Action IN16: Incentives for maintaining extensive livestock activities;

## **Impact of IMPACT PROJECT on the management of Policy Instruments Tools:**

To achieve the objective set in the Action Plan sub-action 1.2, adopted with the D.G.R. n ° 292/2018, the Molise Region has thought of the introduction of an incentive system in the action "Enhancement and protection of itineraries and routes of high naturalistic and landscape value for tourism purposes, of alternative sustainable mobility" provided for in the Pact for Development of the Molise Region - Resources of the Development and Cohesion Fund 2014-2020

**STATUS: Incentive System to be launched**

## **ACTION 2 - Improve the “Italian Transiberiana – (1)**

### **Work in progress and what has been made:**

The goal of the Molise Region is to increase the frequency of trains, expanding the tourist offer, which today allows the use only with organized trips round-trip on the same day. The idea of this sub-action involves more frequent tourist trains, with a greater number of stops, with modes of use that allow passengers to get off and on at different stops, connected to each other through cycle and pedestrian paths and shuttle buses that reach the centers inhabited areas and places of tourist interest, in particular the Natura 2000 sites accessible from the stations.

### **Impact of IMPACT ACTION PLAN on the management of Policy Instruments Tools (1<sup>st</sup> tool):**

The Molise Region with DGR n ° 166 of 25 February 2018 in the framework of the Molise Development Pact, action "Enhancement of itineraries with high naturalistic value for tourism purposes and sustainable mobility", following a survey of the most important points of tourist interest , financed a project to the ASSO MAB Consortium of € 1,000,000 entitled "ASSOMAB 2030 Outdoor Tourism Program" which provides for the identification of cycling and / or trekking routes and the creation of a transport service by electric bicycles with pitches of recharge in the 7 inhabited centers included in the UNESCO Reserve Collemeluccio-Montedimezzo. Clearly the 7 stations for recharging electric bikes will also have information spaces for services (assistance, catering, etc.) for tourists

### **STATUS:**

***Project implementing IMPACT Sub-Action financed  
Implementation of the project: in progress***

## **ACTION 2 - Improve the “Italian Transiberiana – (2)**

### **Work in progress and what has been made:**

The goal of the Molise Region is to increase the frequency of trains, expanding the tourist offer, which today allows the use only with organized trips round-trip on the same day.

The idea of this sub-action involves more frequent tourist trains, with a greater number of stops, with modes of use that allow passengers to get off and on at different stops, connected to each other through cycle and pedestrian paths and shuttle buses that reach the centers inhabited areas and places of tourist interest, in particular the Natura 2000 sites accessible from the stations.

### **Impact of IMPACT ACTION PLAN on the management of Policy Instruments Tools (2<sup>nd</sup> tool):**

To achieve the objective set in the Action Plan sub-action 2.1 and 2.2, adopted with the D.G.R. n ° 292/2018, the Molise Region has thought of the introduction of an incentive system in the action "Enhancement and protection of itineraries and routes of high naturalistic and landscape value for tourism purposes, of alternative sustainable mobility" provided for in the Pact for Development of the Molise Region - Resources of the Development and Cohesion Fund 2014-2020

**STATUS: Incentive System to be launched**

## **ACTION 3 - Molise “Natura 2000” Label**

### **Work in progress and what has been made:**

The action in question proposes the creation of a brand that makes recognizable products (agri-food, handicrafts) and services (hospitality and catering) of the Natura 2000 areas of Molise.

In fact the inland areas of Molise have "in themselves" typical characteristics of quality products, in particular in the agri-food sector (low-level areas of anthropization and air pollution, soil water), without requiring compliance with disciplinary of certification.

### **Impact of IMPACT ACTION PLAN on the management of Policy Instruments Tools:**

The Molise Region, as part of the initiatives envisaged in the National Strategy for Biodiversity, aims to implement a "Strategic Communication Plan for the protected areas of the Region" in order to implement sustainable tourism in protected areas, nature 2000 and agriculture. Molise. " In addition to identifying the strategy with the creation of the "Natura 2000" brand, this tool also includes the creation of a website and information dissemination actions concerning the network of protected areas, understood as the set of properly protected areas, sites Natura 2000 and the sheep tracks present in the Molise Region.

### **STATUS:**

***Implementation of the provisions of the aforementioned strategic plan: IN PROGRESS***

## **ACTION 4 - Conservation and restoration of fresh water habitats**

### **Work in progress and what has been made:**

As part of the "CREIAMO PA" Project - "Skills and Networks for Environmental Integration and for the Improvement of Organizations of the PA", funded by the **PON Governance program of the Ministry of the Environment**, the Molise Region has promoted in Campobasso, from 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019, a "Basic Training Course on River Contracts". This course was aimed at the Administrators of Local Authorities, the aforementioned Authorities and the interested stakeholders..

### **Impact of IMPACT ACTION PLAN on the management of Policy Instruments Tools:**

The course pursued an important objective of 4<sup>th</sup> Sub-action of the IMPACT Action Plan, namely to promote **in the following months** the activation of the so called "river contracts" on the basins of greater conservation importance of Molise aimed in particular at ensuring the conservation of species, populations and habitats of interest Community.

During 2018, in Molise, the following River Contracts were promoted:

- 1) Contract of the river "Biferno 1" with the participation of the Municipalities of Castellino del Biferno (Leading Municipality), Baranello, Busso, Casalciprano, Castelbottaccio, Castropignano, Fossalto, Guardialfiera, Limosano, Oratino, Lucito, Lupara, Montagano, Morrone del Sannio, Petrella Tifernina, Ripabottoni and Ripalimosani;
- 2) Contract of the river "Alto Volturno" with the participation of the Municipalities of Colli a Volturno (Leading Municipality), Castel San Vincenzo, Cerro al Volturno, Montaquila, Pizzone and Rocchetta a Volturno.

### **STATUS:**

***Implementation of the aforementioned river contracts by Municipalities concerned: IN PROGRESS***



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