



# Restoring wilderness attributes on the European landscapes

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# What is PAN Parks?





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PAN Parks works to protect Europe's wilderness, the continent's most undisturbed areas of nature.

*The only European-wide organisation focusing on the protection of wilderness areas.*





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Applies a truly integrated approach to mobilise sustainable tourism development for strengthening wilderness conservation.



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Founded in 1999 by WWF and Molecaten, registered in the Netherlands and having its premises in Hungary.





# Increasing management effectiveness







# Setting up management standards to promote wilderness within N2000

As Nature Intended, PAN Parks Foundation 2009

Draft Guidelines for the management of wilderness and wild areas in Natura 2000 Alterra, Eurosite, PAN Parks 2012 (for the European Commission)



# Turning protected area authorities from managers to guardians

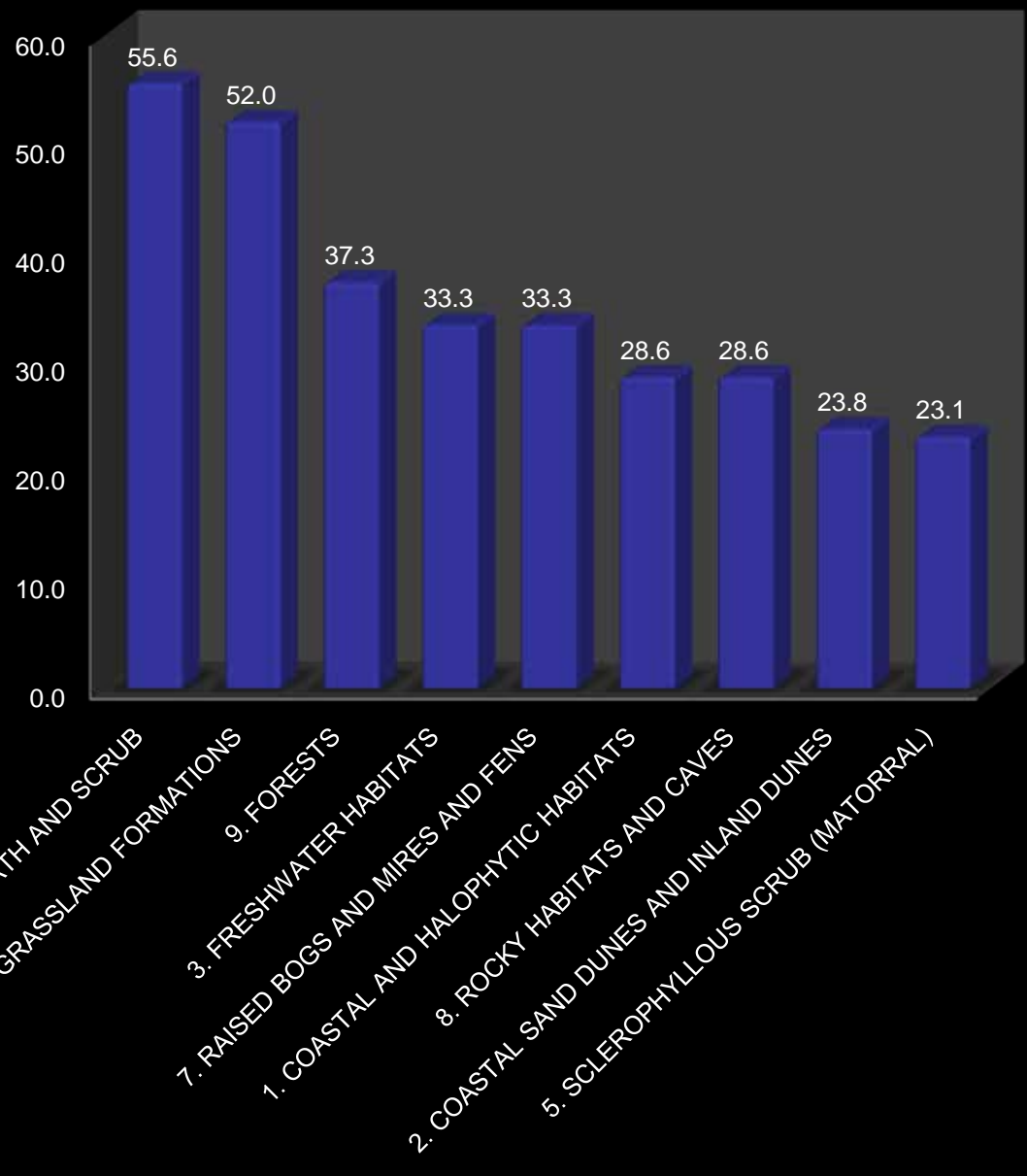
Collecting best practice example and producing management guidance

From marine areas to mountains





There are examples for 35% of the habitats listed in the directives





# Improving policy for wilderness







# European Landscape Convention vs European Parliament Resolution

Special report on wilderness promoted as own initiative by Gyula Hegyi MEP

Adopted on 3 February 2009 by vast majority!



# Organising EC Presidency conferences to promote various aspects of wilderness

2009 Prague – Agenda for Wilderness (24 recommendations)

2010 Brussels – Restoring the wild Heart of Europe, Biodiversity Strategy

2013 Westport, IE – wilderness on modified landscape





# European Wilderness Working Group (from August 2009)

Defining wilderness

Contributing to the management guidance document



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# Defining the ultimate beneficiaries







# The Million Project





# Protecting at least 1 million hectares of true wilderness across Europe by 2015

How far can we dream?

Is this a way to influence of the future of European landscape?







# Setting up the European Wilderness Preservation System

21% vs 5%

Moral obligation



# The European Wilderness Preservation System

 Certified PAN Park     Wilderness Partner







*GET INVOLVED  
protect Europe's wilderness  
through PAN Parks*



**Major public  
support is  
needed!**



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