

"Nature conservation and regional development in South-East Europe illustrated by the examples of Romania and Bulgaria!"

INFO NATURE NETWORK IN MARAMURES COUNTY

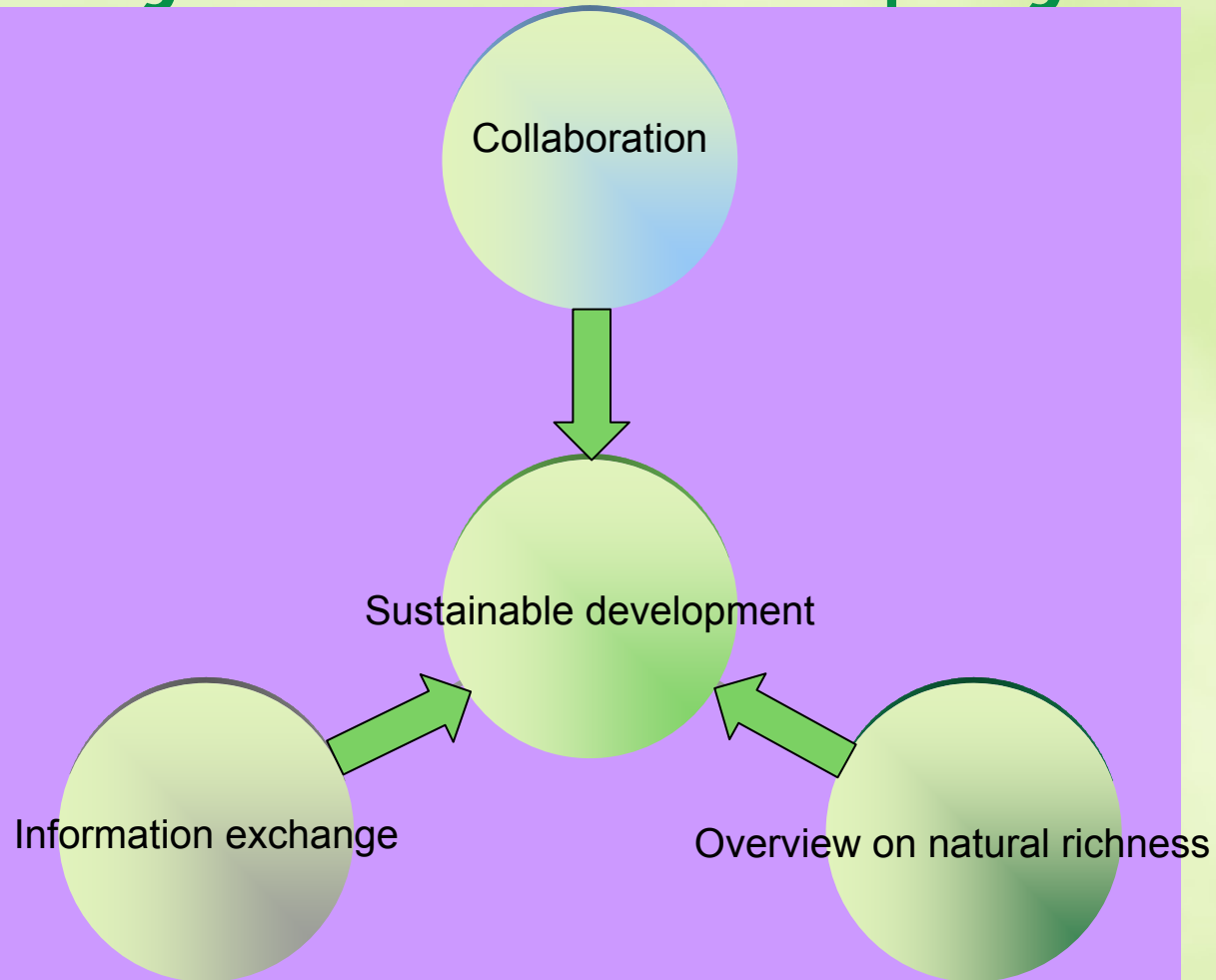
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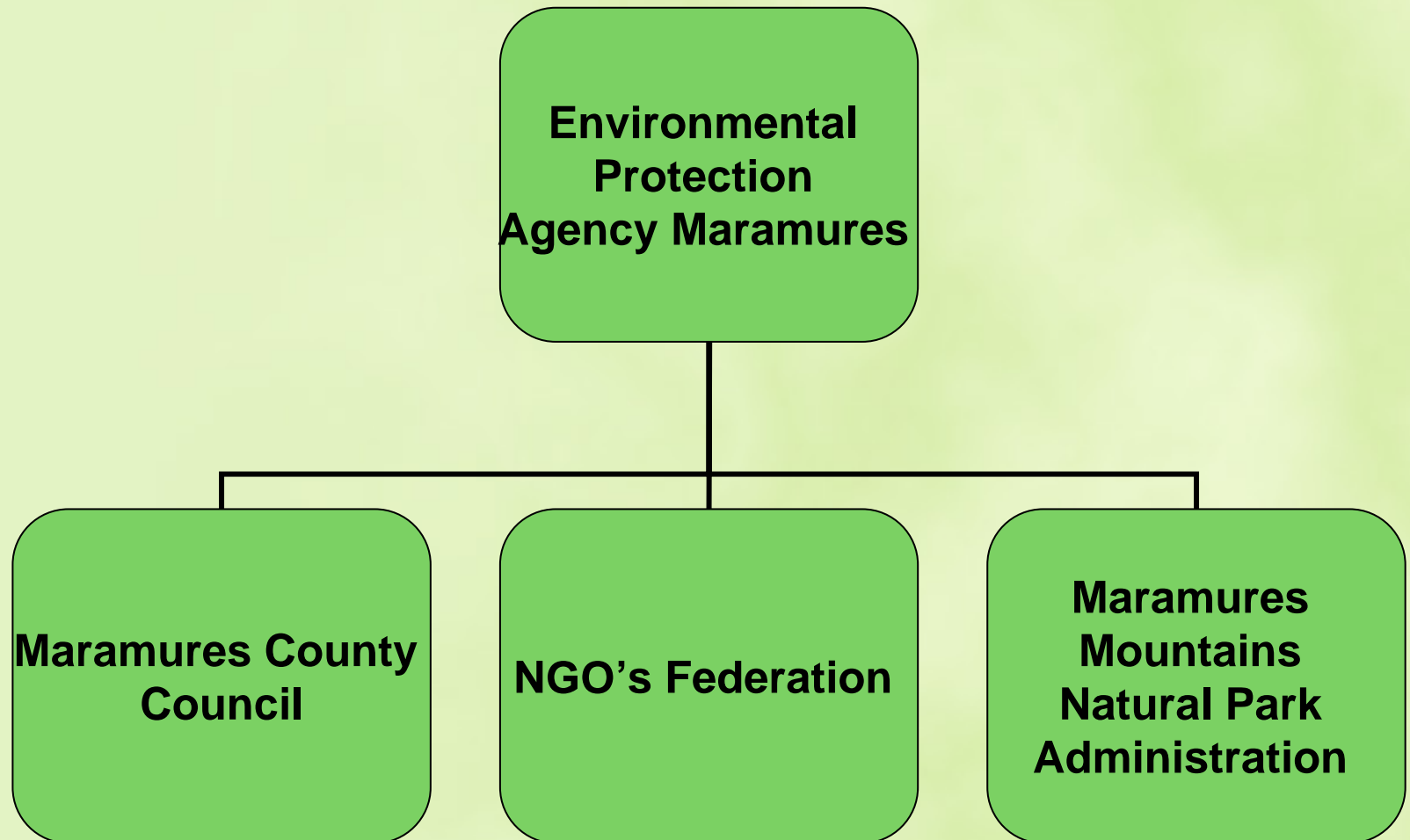
General Project information

- Title: **INFO NATURE NETWORK IN MARAMURES COUNTY**
- Sum of costs: 5925 € - This project will be co financed by Maramures County Council whit 2925 € and the amount of found which this project is applying for is 3000 €.
- Project duration: 3 months
- Aim: to create a pilot nature conservation network which will promote the importance of protected areas and nature conservation in order to reach sustainable development

Objectives of the project



Information on the proposer / proposing organisation and cooperation partners



Background

Reason/ starting point for the project proposal

Convention on Biological Diversity - 1992 Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro

- "Biological diversity" means the variability among living organisms from all sources including, inter alia, terrestrial, marine and other aquatic ecosystems and the ecological complexes of which they are part; this includes diversity within species, between species and of ecosystems.
- The clearing-house mechanism
- A network of national focal points and web sites



Current situation, state of the act

Romania

- part of the **Convention on Biological Diversity since 1994**
- **no National Focal Point on biodiversity,**
- **no web site related to the convention on biological diversity**
- + **a lot of specific informative materials concerning nature conservation**
- + **international and national regulations**
- + **maps of some protected areas**
- + **Local Environmental Action Plan for Maramures County - review in 2006**

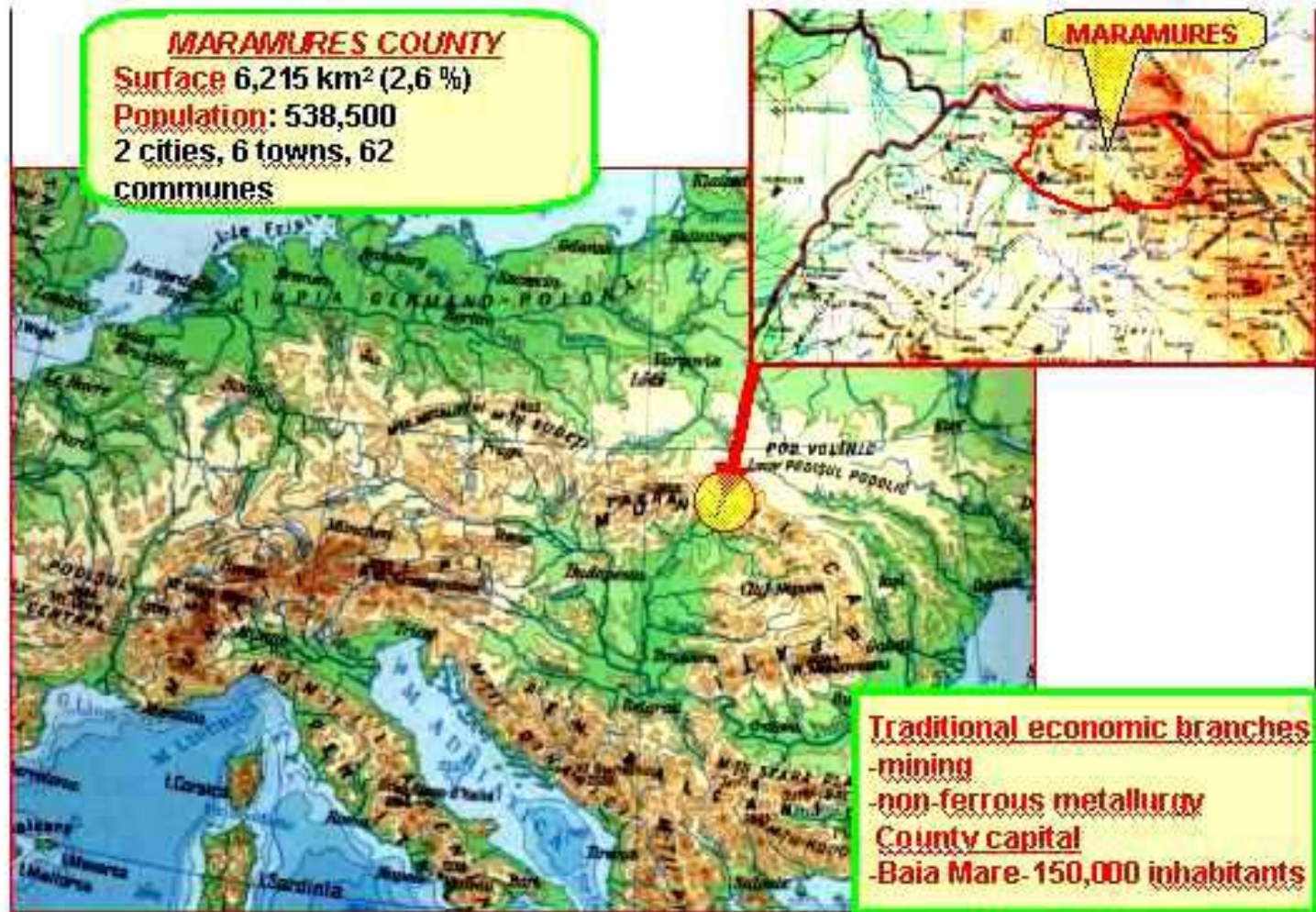
A platform for communication and a general overview concerning biological diversity and protected areas are still missing.


**Responsible in implementing
CBD
The Minister of Environment
and
Water Management in Romania**

**LEPA
Maramures
is
coordinated by minister**

**Info Nature Network,
will provide the first
experience in setting
a national web site on
supporting the CBD.**

Description of the area/region





Maramures County has a great biological diversity within its 38 protected areas included in IUCN protected Area Management categories as following:

- 3 strict nature reserve
- 1 National Park – Rodna Mountains National Park, which is also UNESCO Biosphere Reserve, having a surface of 47227 ha which from 10000 ha are included in Maramures County surface
- 17 natural monuments
- 13 Habitat/species management protected areas
- 1 Natural Park – Maramures Mountains Natural Park with a surface of 148850 ha
- 3 protected areas of local interest



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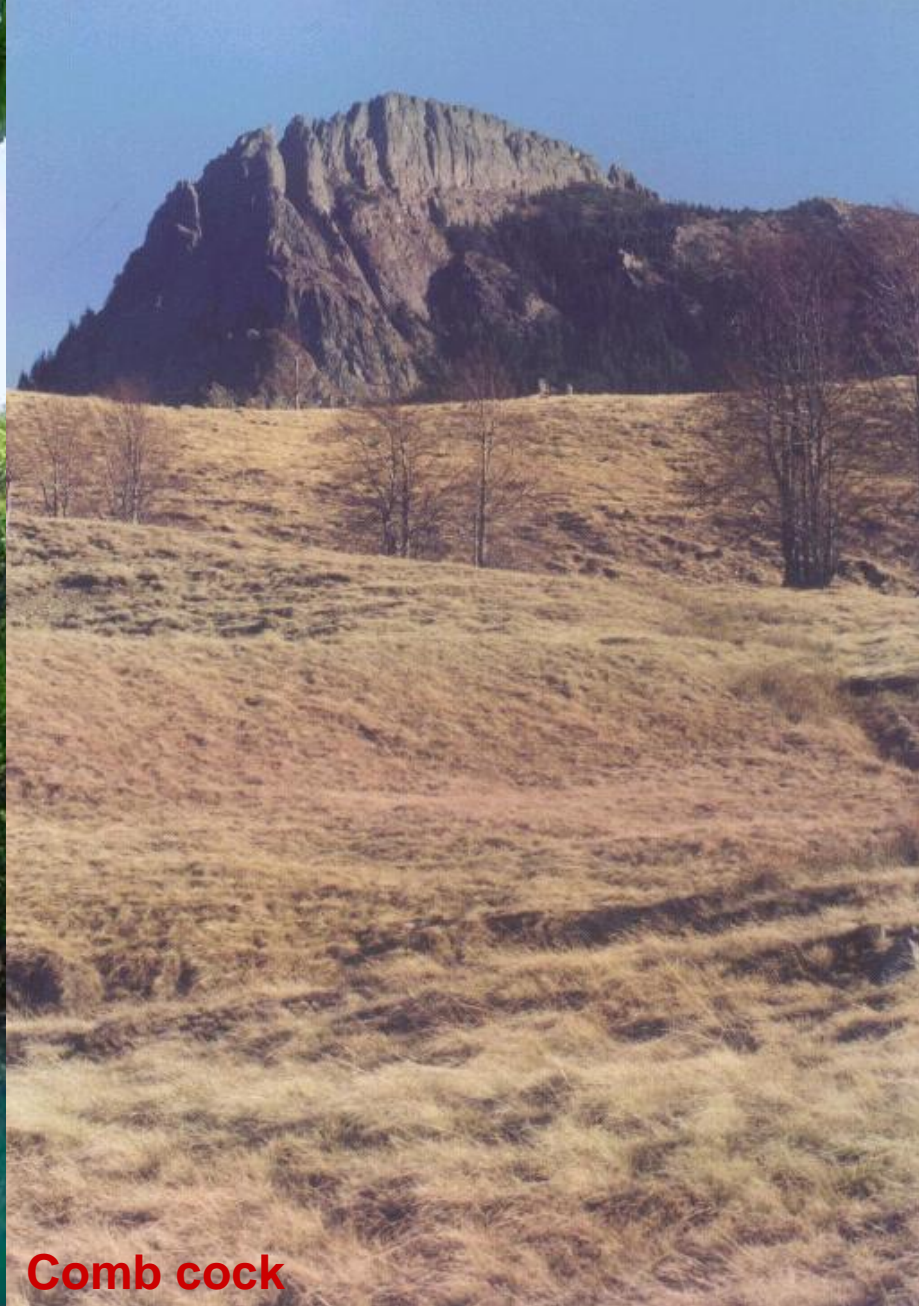
Pietrosu Mare strict reserve



Rodnei Mountains Biosphere Reserve



Blue Lake



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Dumitru's peat bog



Maramures Mountains

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Contribution of the proposed project to nature protection and regional development

The outcomes of the project will be:

- a functional INFO NATURE MARAMURES NETWORK
- people more informed
- atlases in Romanian and English languages that will promote protected areas
- a dedicated framework for meetings of experts in nature conservation and sustainable development

The project outcomes will provide:

- a higher level of sharing experiences
- open exchange of information and ideas
- promotion of technical and scientific cooperation
- partenrship



Regional linkages of the proposed project Engagement of other regional stakeholders / partners

The INFO NATURE NETWORK IN MARAMURES COUNTY will be set at regional level

This network will include:

- administrations of protected areas
- governmental and nongovernmental organisations
- local and regional public authorities

Due to the fact that the project will be the first step in building a national web site and Focal Centre, it is obvious it will have **national** and **international** connections within the global framework of the Convention on Biological Diversity and Clearing House Mechanism.

Project implementation

The aim of this project is:

- To promote the importance of protected areas and nature conservation in order to reach sustainable development of Maramures County.

The objectives of this project proposal are:

- Collaboration – to promote and facilitate technical and scientific cooperation by creating a pilot local network **INFO NATURE NETWORK IN MARAMURES**
- Information exchange – to develop a mechanism for exchanging integrated information on biodiversity
- Delivering an overview on natural richness of the zone.

Target group - the inhabitants of Maramures County

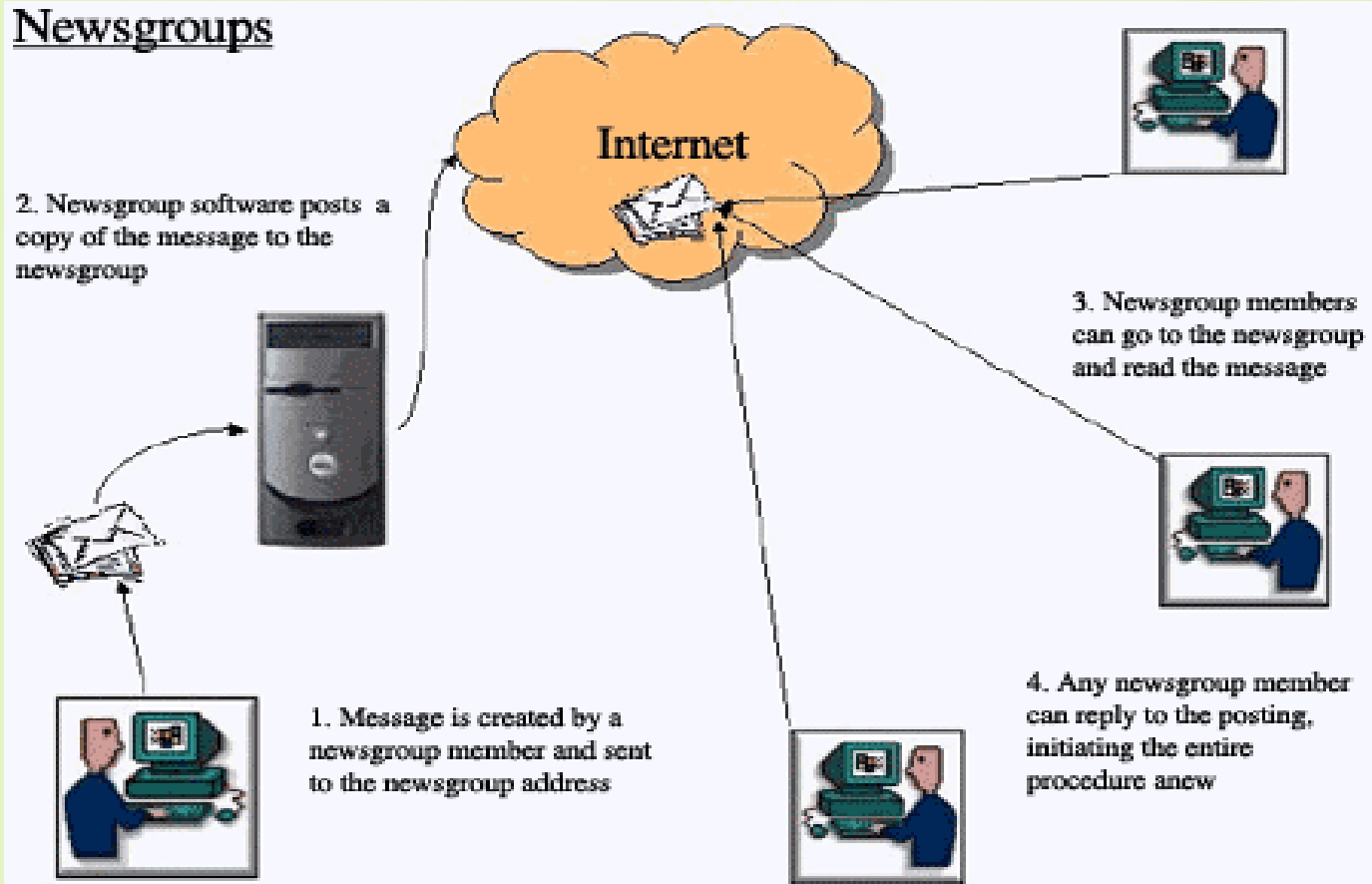
Target i: Collaboration - Promote and facilitate technical and scientific cooperation by creating a pilot local network
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- Building a web site www.maramures.biodiversity.ro.
The structure of the web site will include categories on biodiversity in general, cooperation and dialogue, information on the Convention on Biological Diversity, information on legislation and national biodiversity policies and information on all 38 protected areas in the Maramures County
The web site will be realised in Romanian and English languages .
- Promoting the current activity of **INFO NATURE NETWORK IN MARAMURES COUNTY** in the local mass-media

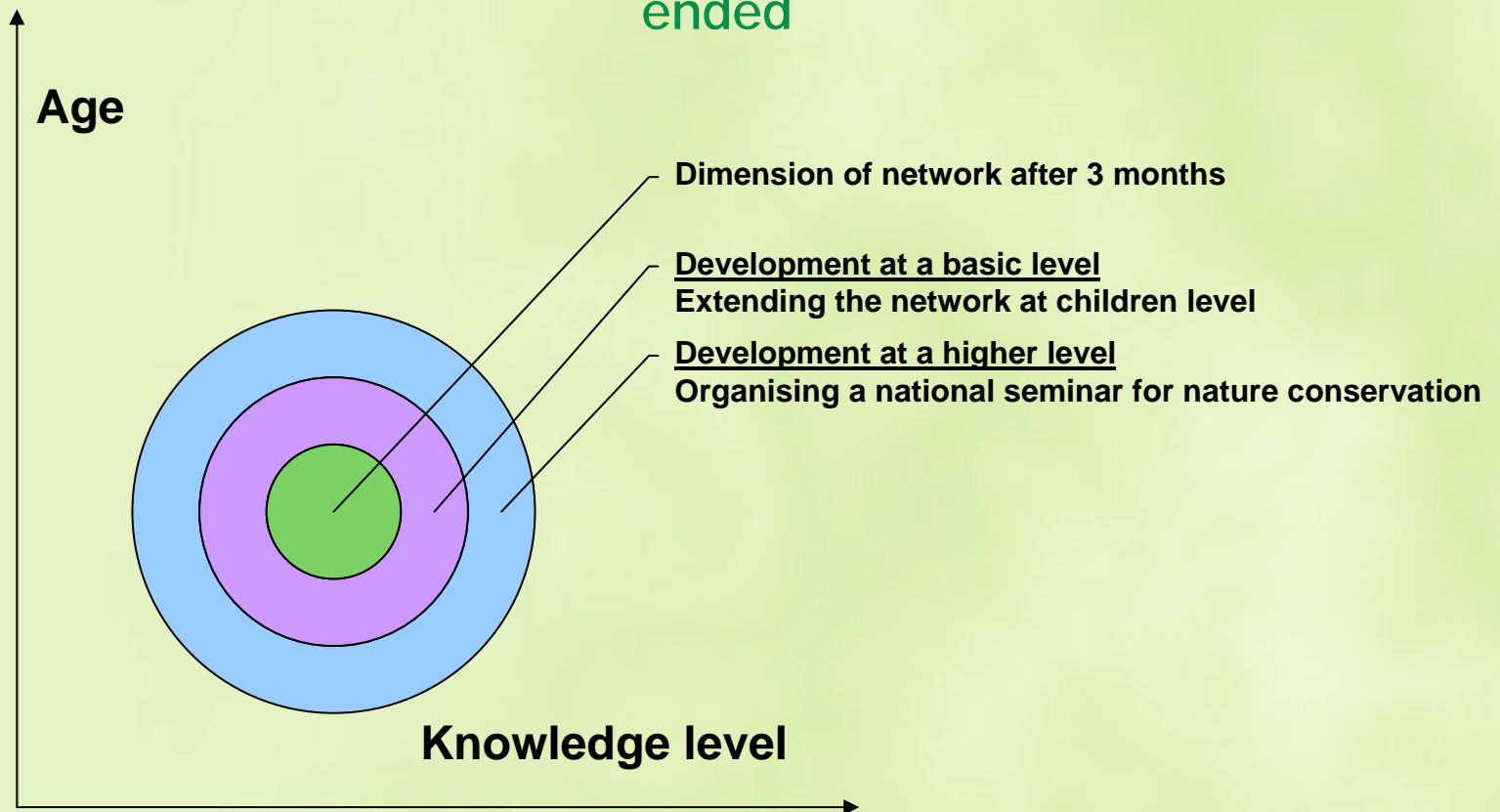
Target ii: Information exchange - to develop a mechanism for exchanging integrated information on biodiversity

- Set a newsgroup on www.maramures.biodiversity.ro

Newsgroups



Perspectives of the project after subsidation period has ended





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