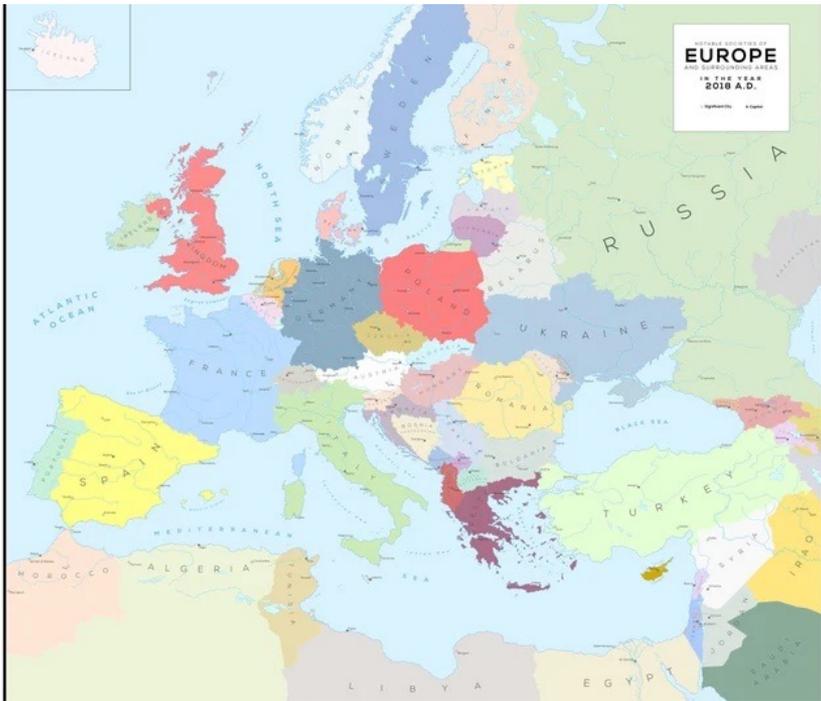
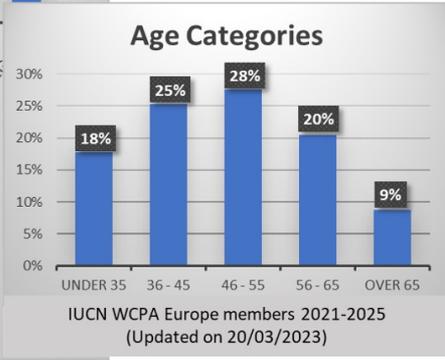
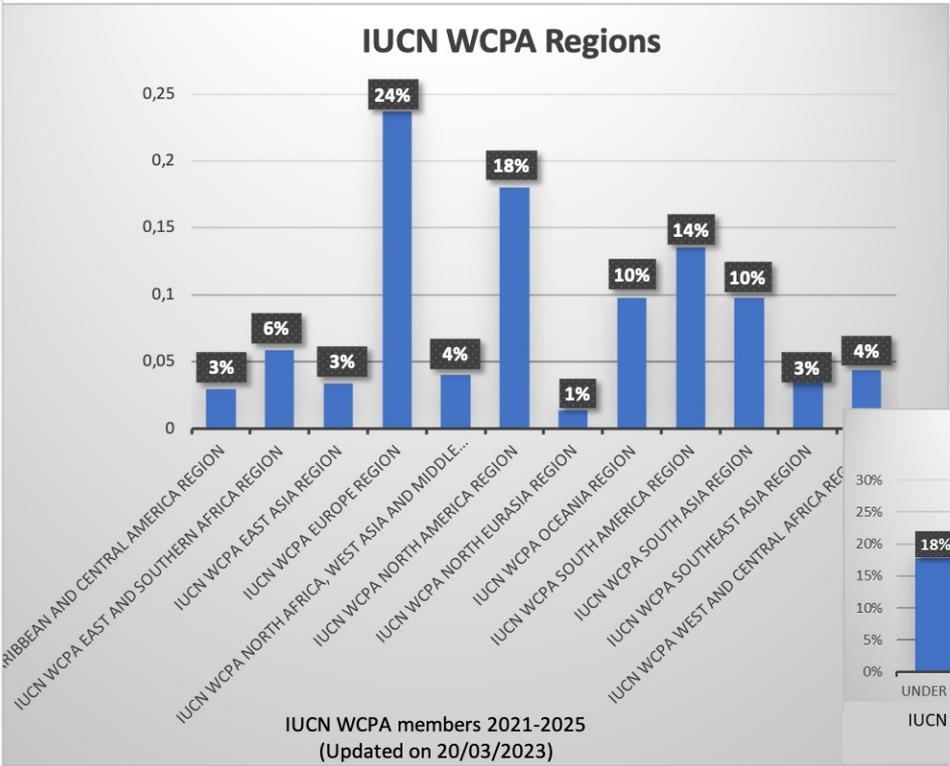


# WCPA Europe



# WCPA Membership March 2023



# How are we working

## WHAT

Experience Exchange  
Contribution to the IUCN work  
Supporting the CA/PA community

*Voluntary work!*

## WHO

Regional Vice Chair  
Advisory Group / Steering Committee  
Working Group Coordinators  
Communication Group  
Members

*Priority Topics defined  
Work Plan developed*

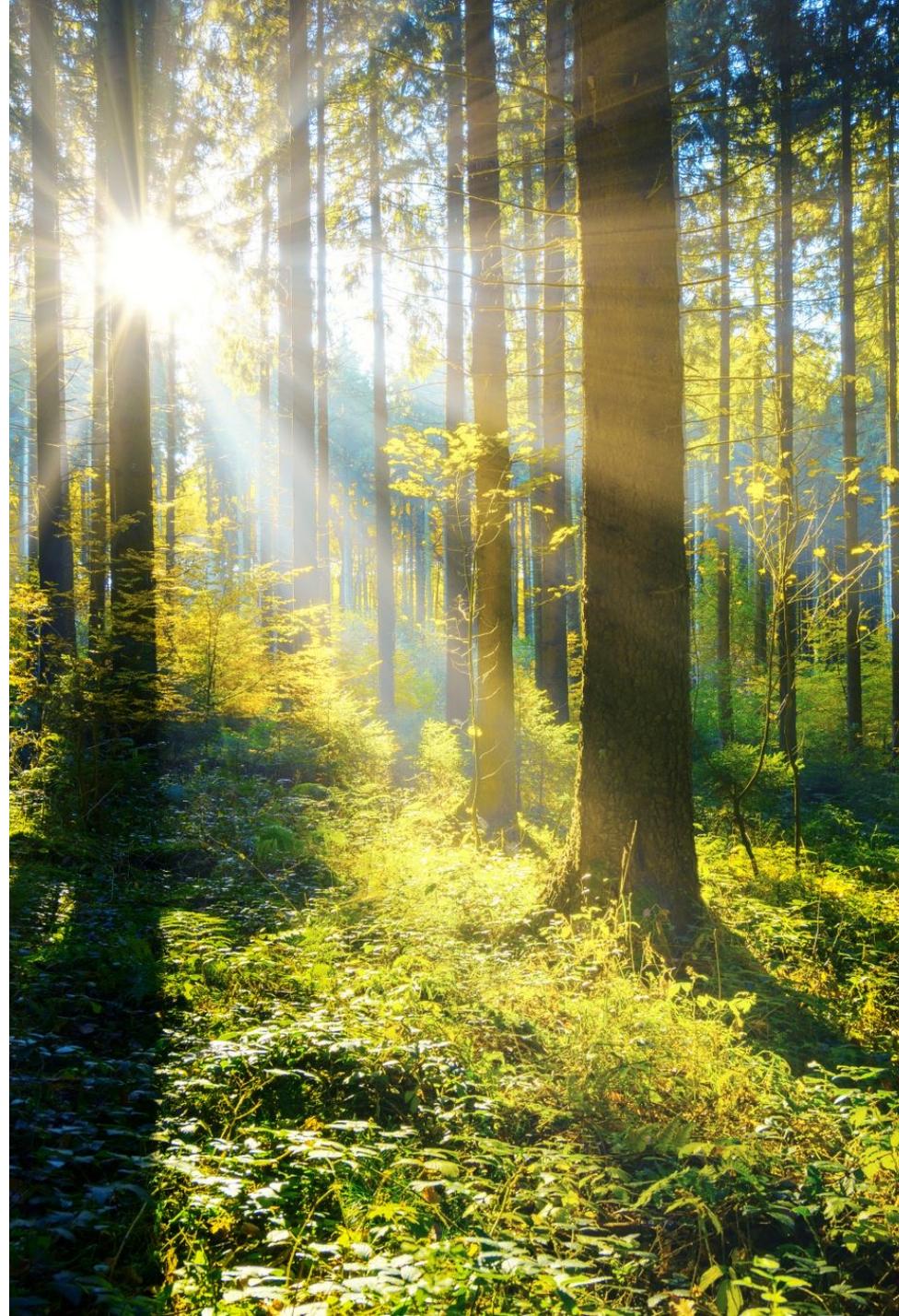
## HOW can you contribute

Working Groups  
Task Forces / Working Groups  
Position Papers  
Events / Meetings - organizing / participating  
Working with IUCN Regional Offices  
Evaluation / expert support missions

*Voluntary work!*

# Priority topics WCPA Europe

- *Communication within WCPA Europe*
- *PA Management Effectiveness*
- *Connectivity and Landscape Level Conservation*
- *Restoration*
- *PA Designation: 30x30 Target*
- *Strict protection and the EU Biodiversity Strategy*
- *OECMs*
- *Ancient and old-growth forests*





## Coordination and Communication teams

### ***Coordination Group***

- *Erika Vaida-Bela (Stanciu) – Regional Vice-Chair*
- *Zoltán Kun*
- *Jan Woollhead*
- *Cathy Li - Youth coordinator (open)*

### ***Communication Group***

*Elliot Bourgeault*

*Marit Schnepf (Europarc)*

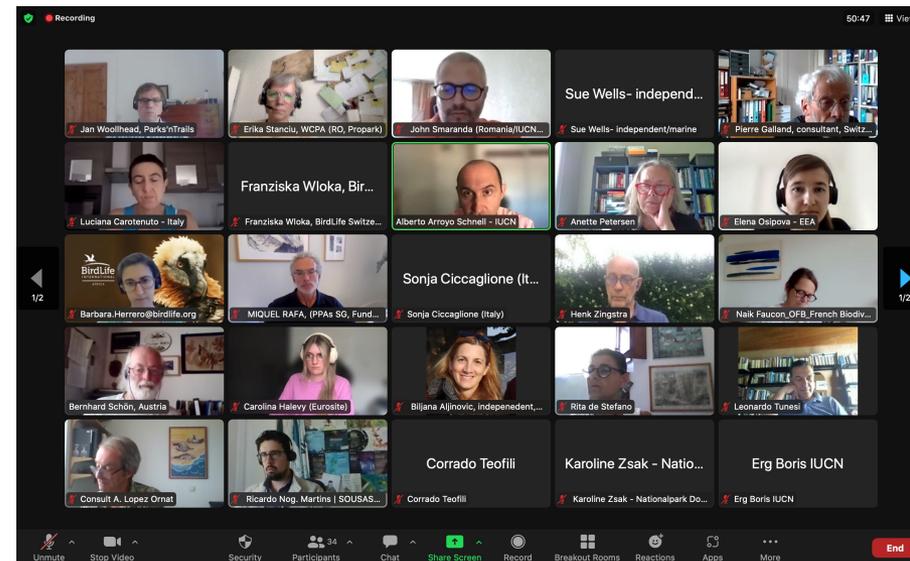
Weekly meetings – Thursdays 9.00 or 10.00 CET

# The 30x30 Target



## Priority topic - coordinator Jan Woolhead)

- Webinar - 30th of June 2022 (see Annex slides)
  - presentations from IUCN Bruxelles Office, Bird Life Europe, European Environmental Agency and WCPA-members,
  - questionnaire to learn about planning stages in various countries,
  - discussions.
- **Webinar September 2023 - Working Group established (30 members)**
- **Natura 2000 and 10% Strict Protection Goal** to be discussed with members from EU countries and accession countries - planned



# Management Effectiveness

Priority topic, part of the 30x30 Target - coordinator  
Cristian Remus Papp

## ***Webinar December 2022***

- New technical Guidelines on Biodiversity Monitoring in Conservation Areas (*The UNESCO Chair on Sustainable Management of Conservation Areas and the Carinthia University of Applied Sciences*) – members commented on the draft of the Guidelines

**Webinar July 2023** – info about PAME and discussions / planning



# OECMs

Priority topic, part of The 30x30  
Target - coordinator Erika Vaida-  
Bela

- **Online information webinar** ,  
*November 2022*
- **OECM training seminar Vilm**,  
20 – 25 February – *Kathy  
McKinnon, Gisela Stolpe*.  
Report and recommendations  
paper drafted



**WCOPA**  
WORLD COMMISSION  
ON PROTECTED AREA



# Restoration

Priority topic, part of the 30x30 Target, coordinator Zoltan Kun

- **Restoration Working Group – Zoltan Kun**

- **River Restoration**

**Study Trip Donau Auen NP,**

Austria, 4-5 May

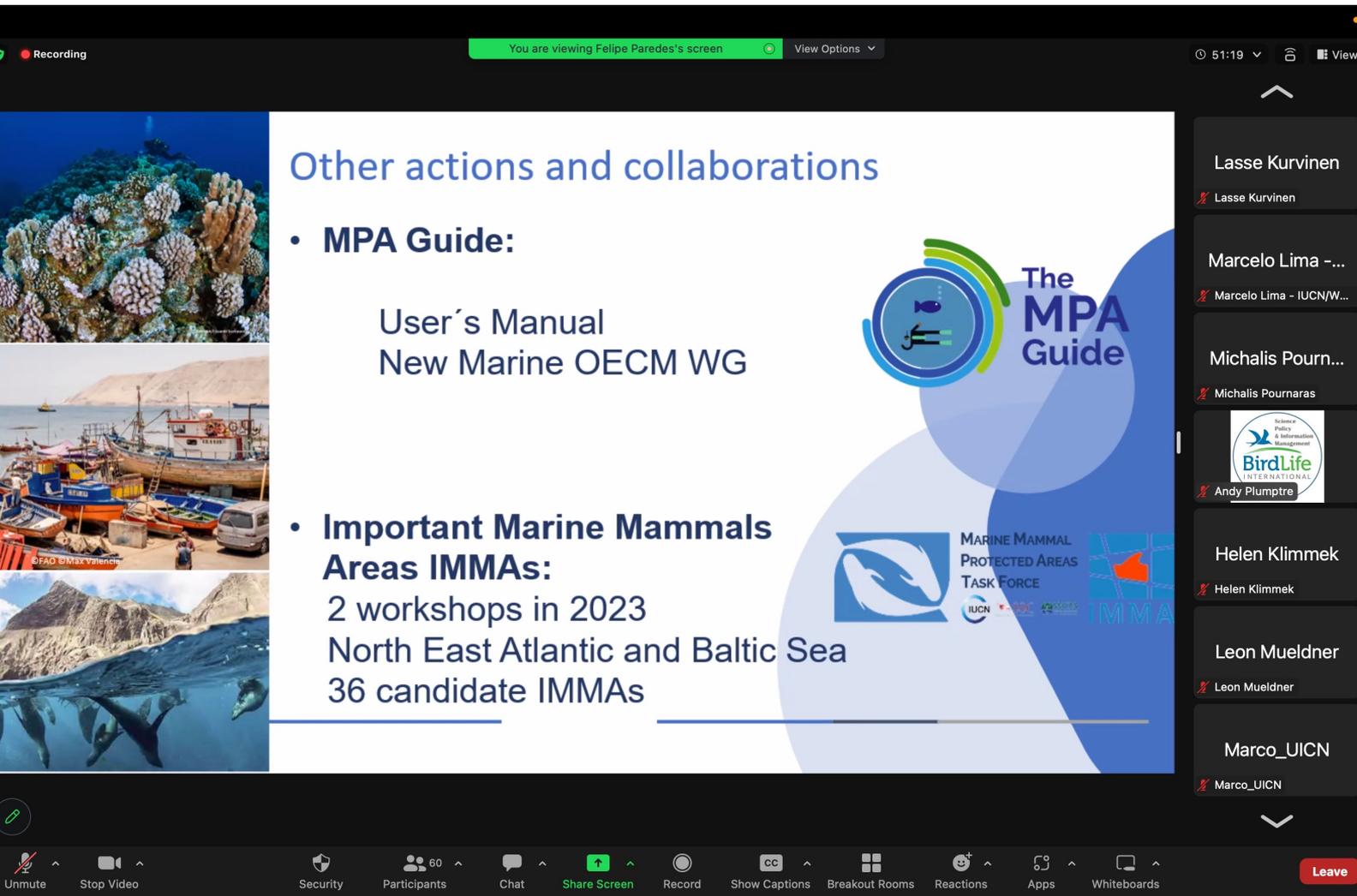
- *Karoline Zsak* – “the study trip to Donau-Auen was one of the best events I participated in onsite recently”



# Marine PAs

## Part of the 30x30 Target - coordinator Sue Wells

- Webinar – 10th of October 2023



The screenshot shows a Zoom webinar interface. At the top, it says "Recording" and "You are viewing Felipe Paredes's screen". The main content is a slide with the following text and graphics:

### Other actions and collaborations

- **MPA Guide:**  
User's Manual  
New Marine OECM WG



The MPA Guide logo features a stylized fish and a person holding a tool, with the text "The MPA Guide".

- **Important Marine Mammals Areas IMMAs:**  
2 workshops in 2023  
North East Atlantic and Baltic Sea  
36 candidate IMMAs



The logo for the Marine Mammal Protected Areas Task Force includes a whale silhouette and the text "MARINE MAMMAL PROTECTED AREAS TASK FORCE".



A small map showing the North East Atlantic and Baltic Sea regions, labeled "IMMA".

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- Lasse Kurvinen
- Marcelo Lima -...
- Michalis Pourn...
- BirdLife INTERNATIONAL (with logo)
- Helen Klimmek
- Leon Muedner
- Marco\_UICN

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# WCPA Europe

- **Connectivity (part of The 30x30 Target, coordinator Marit Schneps)**
  - planning stage, concept developed
- **Old-growth Forest / Strict protection (coordinator Zoltan Kun)**
  - online meetings November 2022, March 2023 and August 2013





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# Members Meetings

- **Online:**
  - May and June 2022
  - March 2023
- **Face to Face:**
  - October 2022 - EUOPARC Conference
  - October 2023 - EUOPARC Conference

# WCPA Europe

- **Upcoming**
  - UNESCO Chair Brown Bag sessions – cooperation (WCPA Members offering presentations) – see sessions here: [www.cuas.at/unesco-chair](http://www.cuas.at/unesco-chair)
  - Connectivity – webinar November
  - Restoration – WG meeting November
  - **WCPA Europe Members’ meeting – 14 November, 17.30 CET**
  - ENGAGE – info seminars organized by IUCN WCPA!

