

Workshop 5

Poster

"Capacity building for plant conservation"

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Regional landscape parks in Ukraine.

While regional (nature) parks exist since 60-ies in Europe, Ukraine has been developing its network only last 14 years. The regional landscape park (RLP) is a multifunctional protected area, created on the local level, comprising nature conservation, recreation, education, protection of the historical objects. Nowadays there are 37 RLPs and they rank third by the surface of all protected areas (18% and 0,8% of Ukraine). RLPs exist in 17 regions of Ukraine, occupy the biggest area in the Sumska region, where the largest RLP of Ukraine "Seimskij" is situated. RLP "Nadsianskij" is comprised in the trilateral Biosphere reserve. The status of nine RLPs will be increased to National parks. As quantitative and qualitative parameters show Ukrainian RLP-network is still much behind of the European country's one. The potential for creating new RLPs has not been fully used and a big necessity of them exist, specially in the central and eastern parts. The Carpathians, the coastal zone of the Black sea, northern forest regions and others are quite perspective.