



# **EU4Environment Support to Ecosystems and Livelihoods in the Eastern Partnership**



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#### Areas of support



Support to protect biodiversity and natural ecosystems (Emerald Network)

Promoting sustainable natural resources management, economic development and participation at local community level

Support to the promotion of legal trade and preventing illegal trade in wood products

Enhancing strategic financing to the forest and natural resources management sectors















#### Selected Activities: Armenia



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Emerald Network National Action Plan

Emerald site management plans

Community-driven ecotourism planning in the Emerald areas

Guidelines for developing Emerald site management plans

Capacity building for Emerald sites management

Support with planning community-driven non-timber production















### Selected Activities: Azerbaijan



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Emerald Network Roadmap

Emerald site management plans

Assessment of opportunities for community led NRM

Emerald site management plans

Capacity building for Emerald sites management

Business plans for community led activities in the Emerald sites















## Selected Activities: Georgia



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Guidelines for managing forest habitats within Emerald sites

Review of community involvement in forest/NRM activities

Eco-touristic development plans for selected forestry districts

Capacity building for implementation of the Guidelines

Feasibility study on using forest biomass in fuel briquette production

Guidelines for managing forest stands in periurban areas















#### Selected Activities: Moldova



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National Emerald Network Roadmap

Emerald sites management plans

Community and participatory forest management model

Emerald related legal framework

Capacity building on Emerald sites management

Silvopastoral planning for community owned land















#### Selected Activities: Ukraine



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Guidelines on impact assessment & mitigation measures for Emerald sites

Guidelines on developing Emerald sites management plans

Assessment of community engagement in NR management

Capacity building on the implementation of the Guidelines

Emerald sites management plans

Business plans for community led economic activities















## Selected Activities: Region



Joint monitoring research work in transboundary Emerald sites

Knowledge exchange with EU member states on managing Natura 2000 sites

Study trip to an EU country with effective management of Natura 2000 sites with community participation

Lessons learnt reports on community engagement in NRM activities















## New Challenges



Environmental damage caused by the Russian invasion of Ukraine

Stress on environment caused by military waste

Challenges to food security

Loss of biodiversity because of climate change









