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The presence of protected natural sites. Implications and added value for mountain value chains across MOVING Reference Regions

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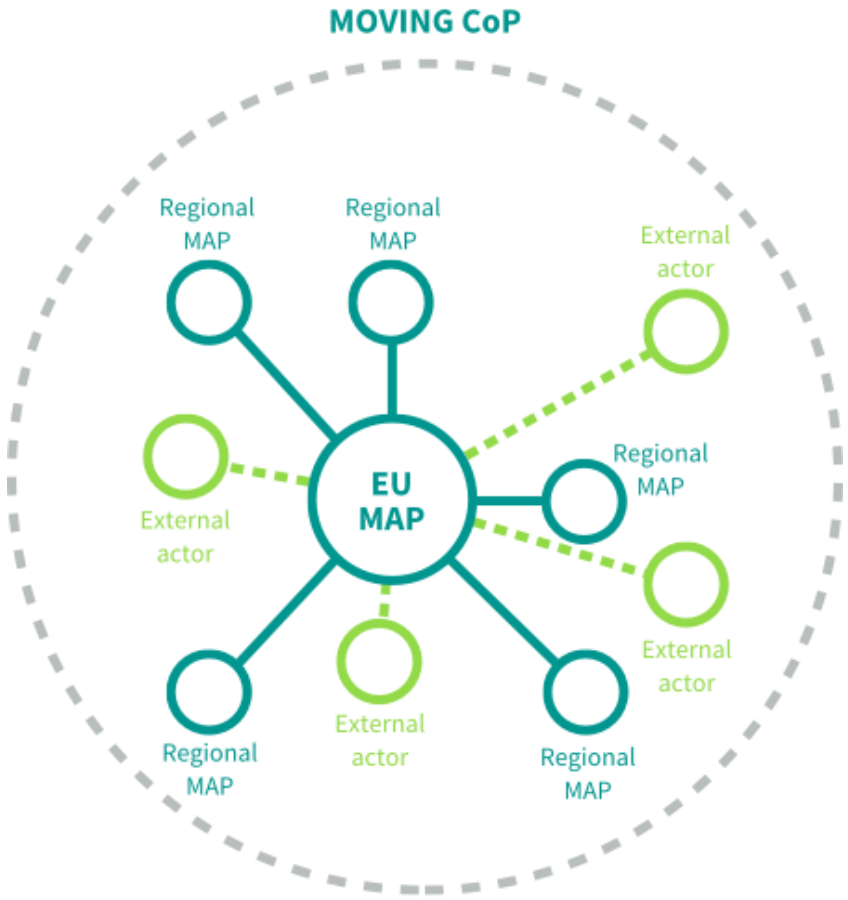


The MOVING CoP is an European-wide Science-Society-Policy interface and **nested structure** built upon:

- 23 regional MAPs established in the 23 Reference Regions
- 1 European-level Multi-Actor Platform (EU MAP)

Joint the EU MAP:

https://moving.d4science.org/expression-of-interest

Briefing rationale

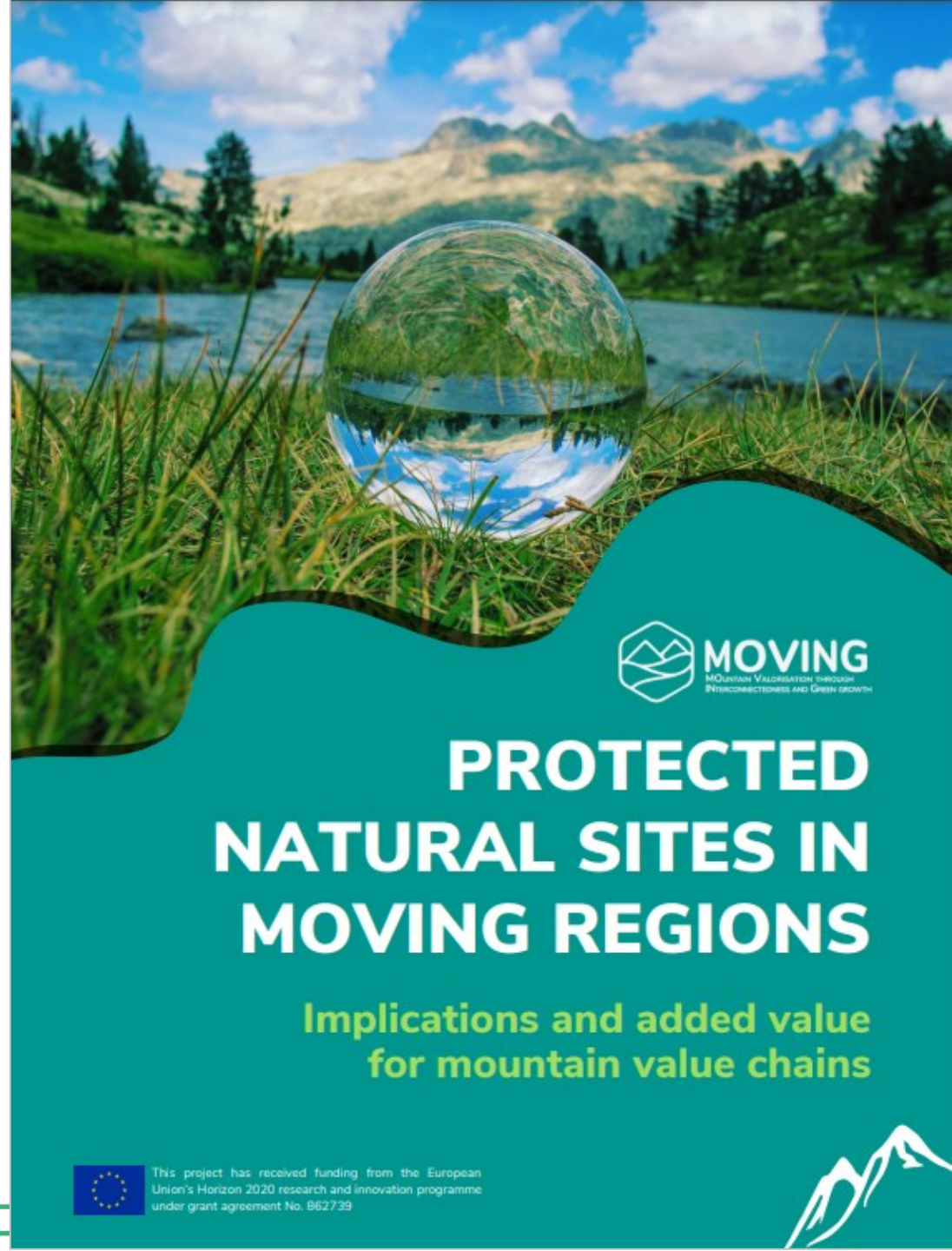
Inspiration

- UNGA declared 2022 as the International Year of Sustainable Mountain Development.
- UNESCO's Man and the Biosphere Programme (MAB) relaunched its World Network of Mountain Biosphere Reserves.

Purpose of the research process

- Identify the presence of different protected natural sites in the 23 MOVING reference regions.
- Provide informative insights and generate an overview of the added value and development implications
- Organise further reflection and actions

https://www.moving-h2020.eu/presence-of-protected-natural-sites-in-movings-reference-regions/



Briefing methodology

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With the main objective of identifying the presence of protected natural sites in their Mountain Reference Region and/or Mountain Reference Landscape.

- March-April 2022, the EU MAP carry out a structured survey to the 23 regional MAPs coordinators.

The survey included **questions** on:

- The main information of the reference region represented.
- The presence of Biosphere Reserves
- The presence of natural protected sites, according to the European Environment Agency database
- The presence of natural protected areas from another category
- The limitations and constraints
- The opportunities and added value

Methodological limitations

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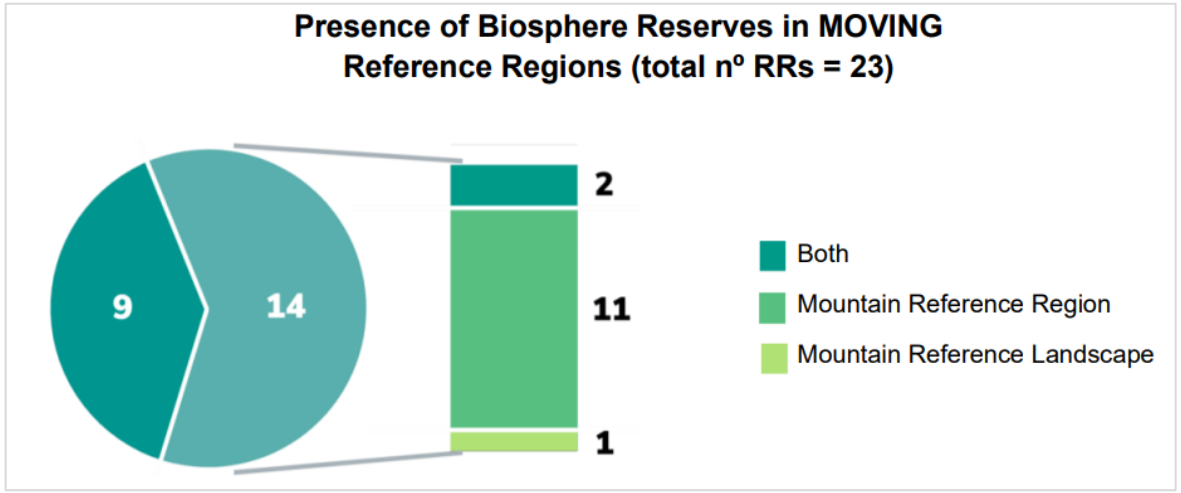
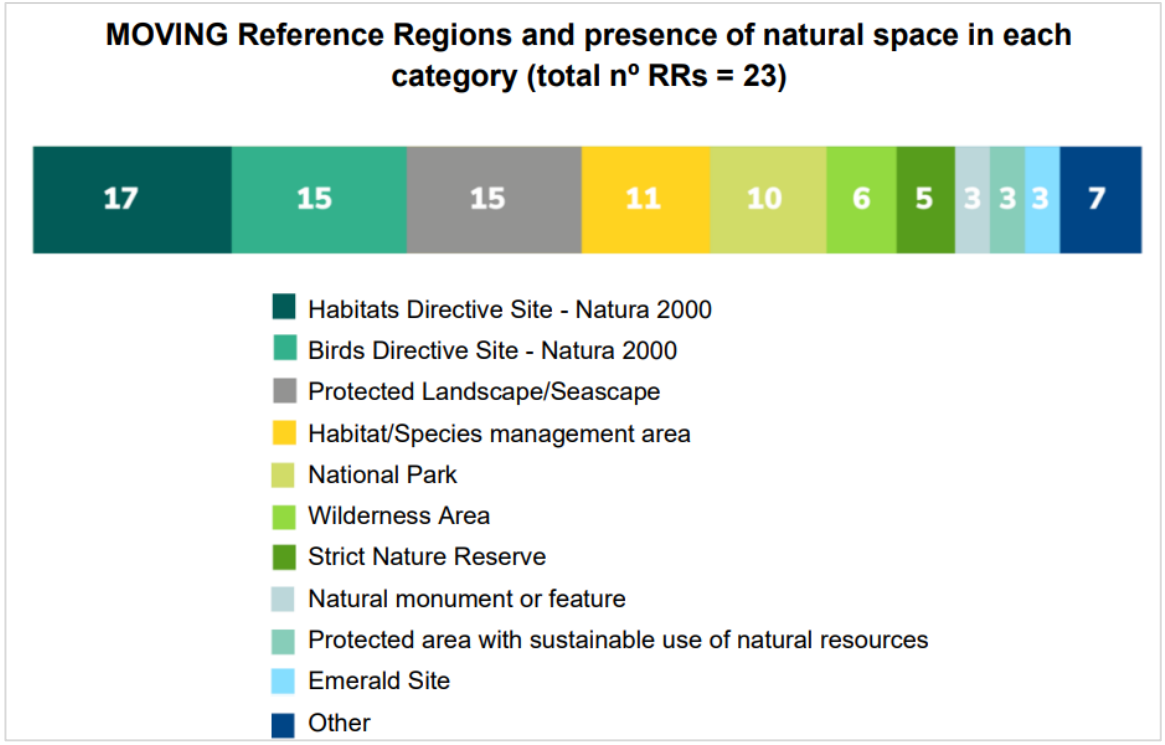
- The diversity of the 23 selected value chains:
  - traditional and innovative value chains.
  - local, regional, national or international level.
  - regarding the focal product and service, it varies between: meat (lamb, beef, Iberian ham); crops (carob, chestnut flour, olive oil, cereals, tomatoes); cheese (sheep, cow); bio-honey; alcohol and soft drinks (wine, whisky), tourism and public goods (biodiversity, agroecology).
- Geographical scope of work:
  - Mountain Reference Regions (MRR)
  - Mountain Reference Landscape (MRL)
- Some reference regions are not in the European Environment Information and Observation Network and/or not covered by the EU's Natura 2000 directives.

Main results (1)





Main results (2)

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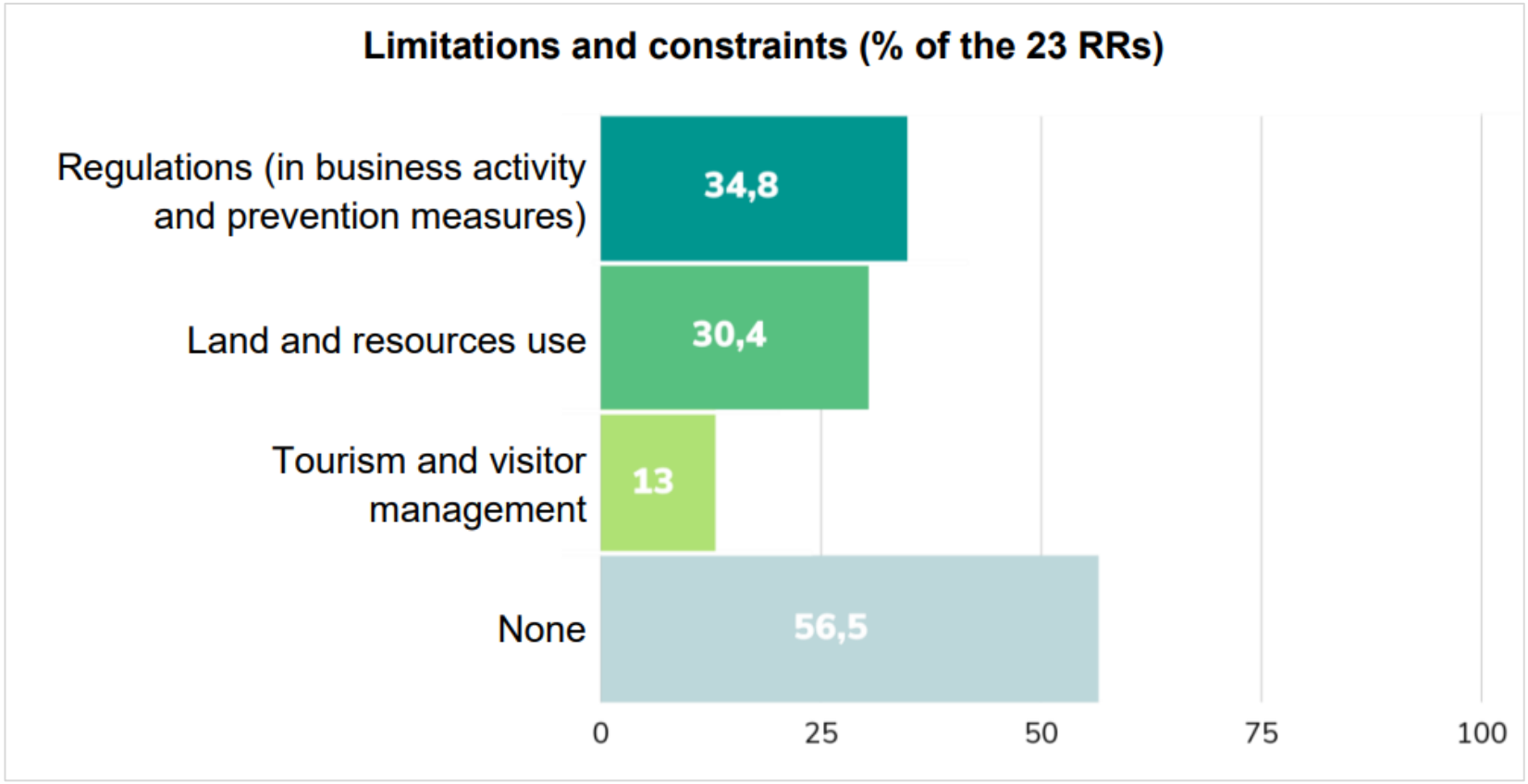
Limitations



Main results (3)

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Opportunities

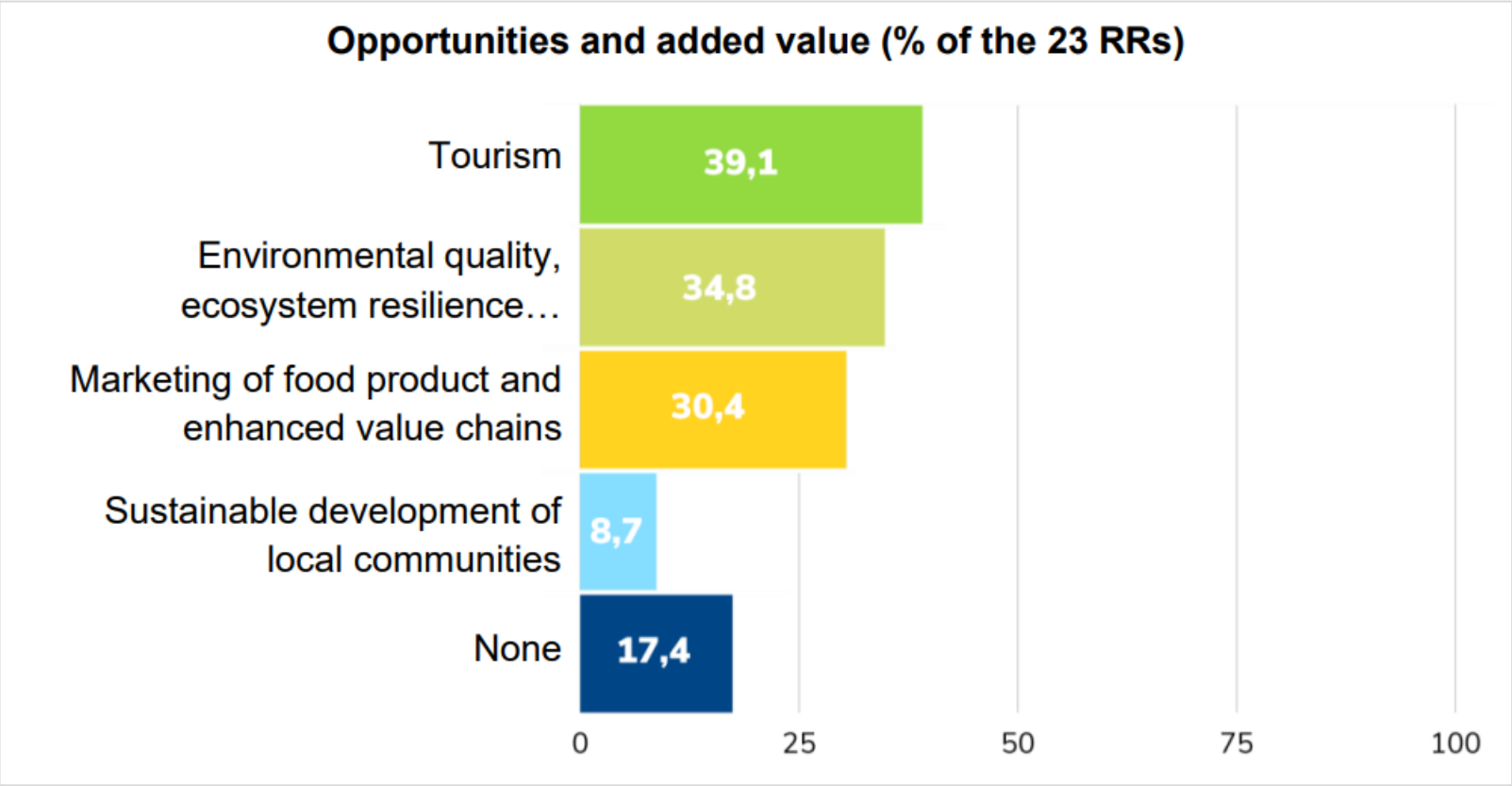

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Table 1. Presence

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2. Stara Planina (Bulgari
3. Šumava – Cesky Les (Czechia)
4. Corsica (France)
7. Transdanubian Mounta (Hungary)
8. Central Apennines (Ita
9. Eastern Alps (Italy)
10. Northern Apennines (Italy)
15. Dinaric Mountains (Serbia)

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4. Corsica (Fra
5. Drome Valley
6. Crete (Greec
7. Transdanubi (Hungary)
8. Central Aper
9. Eastern Alps
10. Northern Ap

Table 2. Protected natural sites in the MRR or MRL

6. Annex I: Overview Reference Regions responses

Table 3. MOVING Reference Regions, selected value chain, presence of BRs and natural spaces, limitations and opportunities

MOVING Reference Region	Selected value chain	No Biosphere Reserves	No different types of Natural spaces	No of main Natural spaces	Limitations and constraints				Opportunities and added value				
					Regulations (in business activity and prevention measures)	Land and resources use	Tourism and visitor management	None	Tourism	Environmental quality, ecosystem resilience and sustainable practices	Marketing of food product and enhanced value chains	Sustainable development of local communities	None
1. Austrian Alps (Austria)	Sheep farmers from the region of Weiz	0	2	>10		1	1		1				
2. Stara Planina (Bulgaria)	Public Goods from High Nature Value Farming	1	2	7	1	1				1			
3. Sumava - Cesky Les (Czechia)	Cattle	1	5	8	1					1	1		
4. Corsica (France)	Chestnut Flour	1	6	-	1		1						1
5. Drome Valley (France)	Sheep meat locally produced and valorised	0	3	4	1	1				1	1		

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Thank you!

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