

# ROADS TO HEALTHY FORESTS

*Resilient, adaptive, sustainable forests in the Slovakia-Ukraine cross-border region*

## PROJECT TITLE

**Roads to healthy forests: Resilient, adaptive, diverse and sustainable forests in cross-border region of Ukraine and Slovakia**

## IMPLEMENTATION PERIOD

17.12.2019 – 16.12.2022

## ORGANISATIONS INVOLVED

Uzhhorod Forest Enterprise (UA); Vyhoda Forest Enterprise (UA); State Forest of Tatra National Park (SK); Spišská Belá Forests (SK); Forests of Kežmarok (SK); Agency for Sustainable Development of Carpathian region “Forza” (UA)

## PROGRAMME

Hungary – Slovakia – Romania – Ukraine  
ENI CBC 2014-2020

## TOTAL BUDGET

3.523.870,16 €



Climate change is negatively affecting tree growth and regeneration in Europe. It is also causing tree mortality in the Carpathian region. The project Roads to healthy forests has set itself the goal to increase stability and adaptability of Carpathian Forest ecosystems to climate change effects in the Slovakia-Ukraine cross border region. The project aims at integrating the damaged forests with sustainable multispecies, able to adapt to changing climate, and to support their natural regeneration. Moreover, accessibility of forest areas is being improved through the (re)construction and maintenance of forests roads, the setting of riverbank protection and of water polder. An area of 1224ha is being reforested with young trees; 100.000 resilient seedlings a year will be grown in a newly established tree nursery in Ukraine (1.9 ha). In parallel, it is foreseen the setup of an educational centre “Forest and Climate”, where specialists on climate-resilient and adaptive forestry are attending capacity building events to increase their knowledge.



## RISKS AND CLIMATE CHANGE

# ENVIRONMENT



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