

CARPATHIAN STAR WAY

*Bringing back the
Carpathian starry nights*

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| PROJECT TITLE | Carpathian Star Way |
| IMPLEMENTATION PERIOD | 01.07.2021 – 31.12.2023 |
| ORGANISATIONS INVOLVED | Vihorlat Observatory (SK); Uzhhorod National University (UA); Uzhansky National Nature Park (UA); Institute Of Development Of Carpathian Region (UA); Rónaőrző Society for Nature Protection (HU) |
| PROGRAMME | Hungary – Slovakia – Romania – Ukraine ENI CBC 2014-2020 |
| TOTAL BUDGET | 677.665,95 € |



Who wouldn't want to see more stars in the sky? The Carpathian Star Way project addresses light pollution, pointing out that the excessive light present in the atmosphere is easy to fix. Just turn off the source! While we depend on artificial lighting for streets, buildings, and industrial sites, excessive lighting harms our view of the night sky and disrupts wildlife. The project's aim is to raise awareness about this issue among public institutions, students, and tourists in three national parks and surrounding areas across Slovakia and Hungary. These regions, with their relatively low light pollution, can serve as models for promoting darker skies and eco-friendly tourism. Through lectures, seminars, and social media campaigns, project partners have reached a broader audience and have encouraged municipalities to adopt better lighting practices. The result is more astro-tourism and inhabitants' full enjoyment of the starry nights of the Carpathians.



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