

Mednarodni kongres v Radencih

Biosferni rezervat Drava-Mura

priložnost za mejno regijo med Avstrijo,
Slovenijo, Hrvaško in Madžarsko

Zaključna deklaracija, 18. maj 1996:

Spoštovani!

Od leta 1992 potekajo poglobljena mednarodna prizadevanja za ohranitev enkratne naravne in kulturne rečne krajine ob Dravi in Muri, kjer reki še nista presekani s hidroenergetskimi jezovi. Sodelovanje strokovnjakov, vladnih strokovnih služb in nevladnih organizacij usklajuje Fondacija za evropsko naravno dediščino EURONATURE.

Ze pred tremi leti je bila podana zamisel o ustanovitvi omrežja zaščitene območij v obliki biosfernega rezervata v skladu z UNESCO-vim programom Človek in biosfera (Man and the Biosphere). Cilj biosfernega rezervata je ohraniti rečni ekosistem z obrečno kulturno krajino. Hkrati naj bi ponudil trajnostno razvojno perspektivo tukajšnjim regijam.

V obdobju, ki je sledilo, so številne organizacije vseh štirih držav zamisel dodobra preučile in raziskale možnosti za njeno uresničitev. Kongres v Radencih pomeni močno potrditev takšne zamisli. Potrdili so jo predstavniki vladnih in nevladnih organizacij iz vseh štirih držav, kot tudi predstavniki mednarodnih ustanov IUCN in UNESCO. V številnih referatih vodilnih strokovnjakov za varovanje rečne krajine ter načrtovanje sonaravnega, trajnostnega razvoja so bile nakazane nove možnosti in rešitve.

S podporo kongresa podpisani pozivamo odgovorne vladne organe, da imenujejo nacionalne komisije za pripravo predloga o biosfernem rezervatu. Nadalje pozivamo te komisije, da ustanovijo mednarodno koordinacijsko telo, ko bo usklajevalo njihove aktivnosti.

Za udeležence kongresa:

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International Conference in Radenci:

The Drava-Mura Biosphere Reserve

A chance for the border region between
Austria, Slovenia, Croatia and Hungary

Final declaration of May 18th, 1996:

Dear Sirs,

Since 1992 increasing international efforts are aiming at the preservation of the unique natural and cultural riverain landscape of a great part of Drava and Mura rivers, which is not yet affected by power dams. Under the coordination of EURONATURE, experts, governmental bureaus and NGOs have been collaborating since then.

Three years ago, an idea was launched about establishing a network of protected areas integrated into a biosphere reserve, as proposed by the "Man and the Biosphere" - programme of UNESCO. The target is to preserve the river ecosystem as well as the cultural landscape forming part of it and, at the same time, to offer prospects of sustainable regional development.

In the following time, a certain number of organizations from all four countries cooperated in working out the idea of the biosphere reserve and finding ways of implementation. The Radenci conference confirmed the plan being well-founded. Support was given by representatives of governmental bodies and NGOs from the four countries as well as by the representatives of IUCN and UNESCO. In numerous lectures of leading experts in preservation of river ecosystems and sustainable development new proposals and solutions were presented.

The undersigned, having attended the conference, request the responsible governmental bodies to establish national committees destined to elaborate the designation of the biosphere reserve, as proposed. Furthermore, we call on these committees to set up an international body for the coordination of their activities.

For the participants of the conference: