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# Landscape Award Program in Hungary

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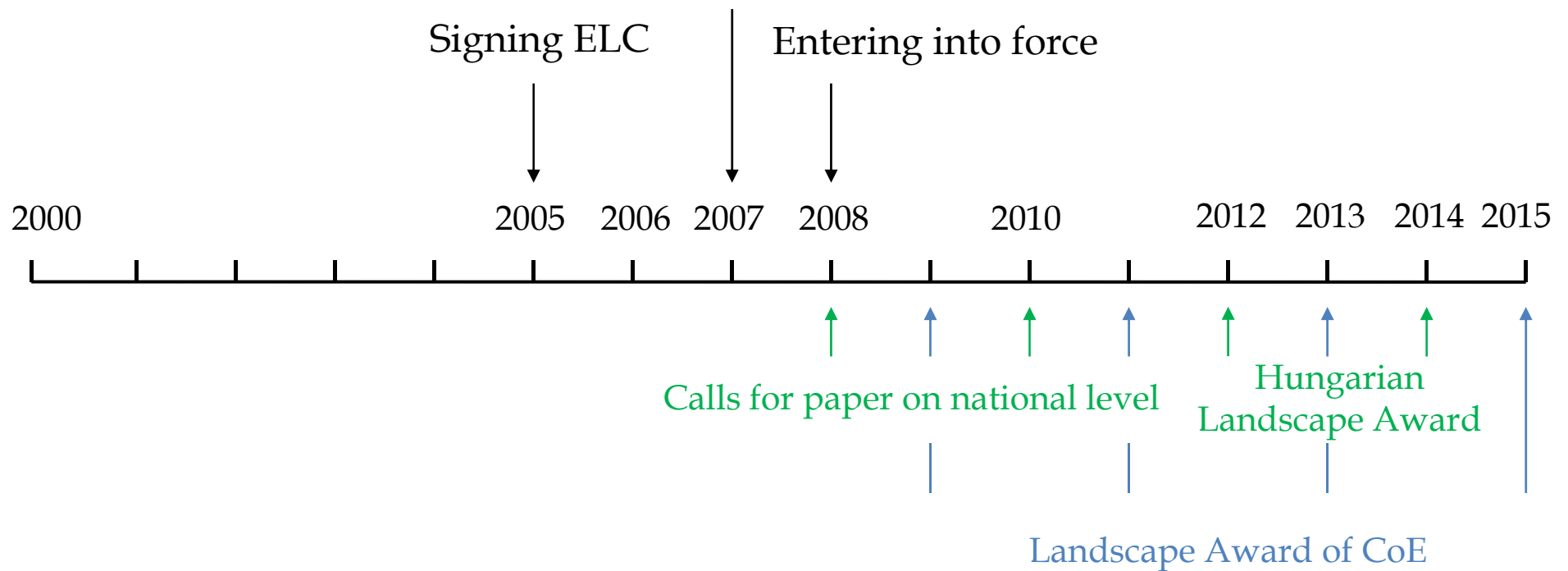
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# ELC and landscape award

## Act No. CXI. on annunciation of ELC





# ELC and landscape award

*Why so important?*

Call open for:

- **local governments;**
- **NGO's.**





## Landscape Award Program on national level

<i>No.</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Number of applicants</i>	<i>Winner</i>
1	<b>2008</b>	5	Pro Vértes Public Foundation – Complex landscape management program in the Zámoly Basin and Vértes Mountains
2	<b>2010</b>	12	Beehive Rocks Nature Conservation Association – Maintaining landscape heritage of Bükkalja Region
3	<b>2012</b>	2	Association for the Restoration and Development of the Által Creek Valley (Tata) - Complex landscape rehabilitation and development program in the Gerecse Mountains and the Által Creek Valley



## Landscape Award Program on national level

*What to win?*

- **Hungarian Landscape Award plaque**  
(for permanent use on site);





# Landscape Award Program on national level

*What to win?*

- translating and sending the application for LA of CoE;

Application for the  
Landscape Award of the Council of Europe (2013)



Complex landscape rehabilitation and development program  
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# Landscape Award Program on national level

*What to win?*

- **introducing the program on different ways** (brochure, mobile exhibition, webpage of ELC in Hungarian).



TÁJI ÖRÖKSÉGÜNK MEGŐRZÉSÉÉRT  
Az Európai Táj Egyezmény hazai megvalósítása



## Some professional considerations

- **Application sheet in similar structure than LA of CoE**
- **Some differences in criteria**
  - *„projects must have been completed and open to the public at least three years, when the candidatures were submitted”*  
but: *„it is an advantage if there is permanent activity since then”*;





## Some professional considerations

### ➤ Some differences in criteria

– Criterion 1 – Sustainable territorial development

Criterion 2 – Exemplary value

Criterion 3 – Public participation

Criterion 4 – Awareness-raising

**Criterion 5 – Complexity**





## LA of CoE 2013

*Applicant: Association for the Restoration and Development of the Által Creek Valley*

*Name of the Project: Complex landscape rehabilitation and development program in the Gerecse Mountains and the Által Creek Valley*

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# Complex landscape rehabilitation and development in the Gerecse Mountains and the Által Creek Valley

*Location:*

Által Creek Valley and the Gerecse Mountains - a former industrial site struggling with numerous environmental challenges, but still rich natural and cultural heritage





# Complex landscape rehabilitation and development in the Gerecse Mountains and the Által Creek Valley

*The association:*

established in 1995 in order to promote the maintenance and sustainable utilisation of the landscape heritage





# **Complex landscape rehabilitation and development in the Gerecse Mountains and the Által Creek Valley**

*Stages of activity:*

Efforts for protecting water quality of Által Creek → complex rehabilitation and development of the Gerecse Mountains and the Által Creek Valley



# Complex landscape rehabilitation and development in the Gerecse Mountains and the Által Creek Valley

*Stages of activity:*

Establishing the Gerecse Nature Park – a joint action of 34 local governments in the region and other affected organisations





# Complex landscape rehabilitation and development in the Gerecse Mountains and the Által Creek Valley

*Stages of activity:*

Establishing the Gerecse Nature Park – a joint action of 34 local governments in the region and other affected organisations



Tata, 1<sup>st</sup> of February, 2013



# **Complex landscape rehabilitation and development in the Gerecse Mountains and the Által Creek Valley**

*Main purpose:*

to implement the complex rehabilitation and development of the landscape, and to achieve a major cooperation for the preservation of landscape and natural values and for enabling the general public to have access to such values.





# **Complex landscape rehabilitation and development in the Gerecse Mountains and the Által Creek Valley**

Main activities:

- preparing and establishing of Gerecse Nature Park;
- improvement of water quality and preservation of the natural values of Lake Old in Tata;
- ecology-wise landscape improvement in the Által Creek Valley;
- providing information and organising environmental training programmes for local people.



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# Complex landscape rehabilitation and development in the Gerecse Mountains and the Által Creek Valley

Main outcomes: **Better cooperation among local stakeholders**





# Complex landscape rehabilitation and development in the Gerecse Mountains and the Által Creek Valley

Main outcomes: **Gerecse Nature Park** – a „framework” for  
further activity of **34 local governments** and other  
stakeholders



