



European Landscape Convention
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At its 1187th Meeting on 12 December 2013, the Committee of Ministers recognised the great value of the project:

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

*Association for the Restoration and Development of the Által Creek Valley (Tata),
Hungary*

The long-term complex landscape rehabilitation and development programme in the Gerecse Mountains and the Által Creek Valley, carried out by a non-governmental organisation, combines protection of the environment with responsible tourism. Through a comprehensive approach, a former mining site has been rehabilitated and damaged ecosystems restored. The involvement of numerous – public and private – partners has made an everyday landscape extraordinary, conducive to the development of ecotourism. The landscape has been planned in line with the European Landscape Convention. This simultaneously environmental and social project has enabled the public to return to former practices. The high level of participation and quality of governance were appreciated.

Thorbjørn Jagland, Secretary General

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