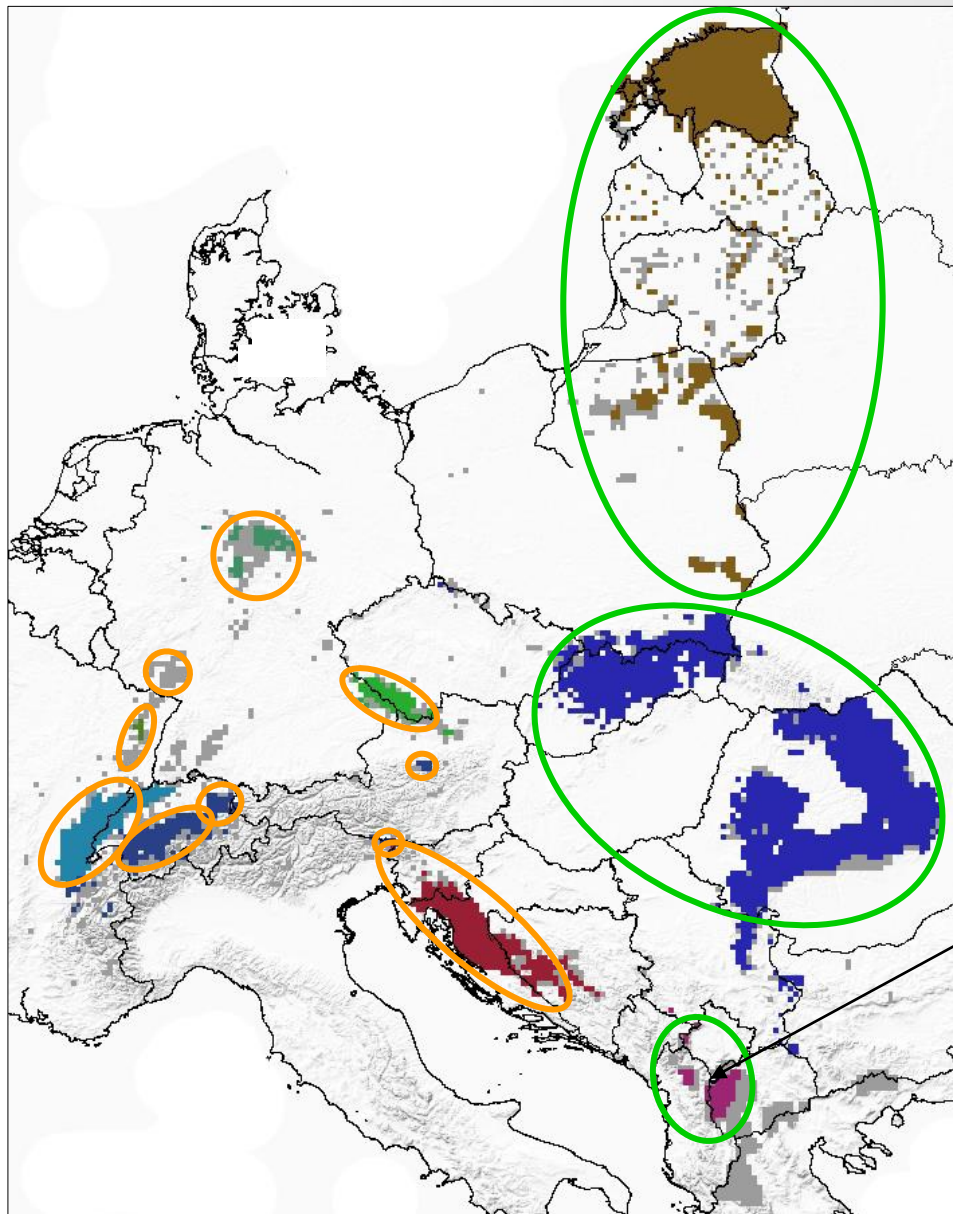


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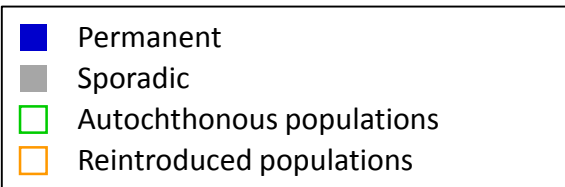


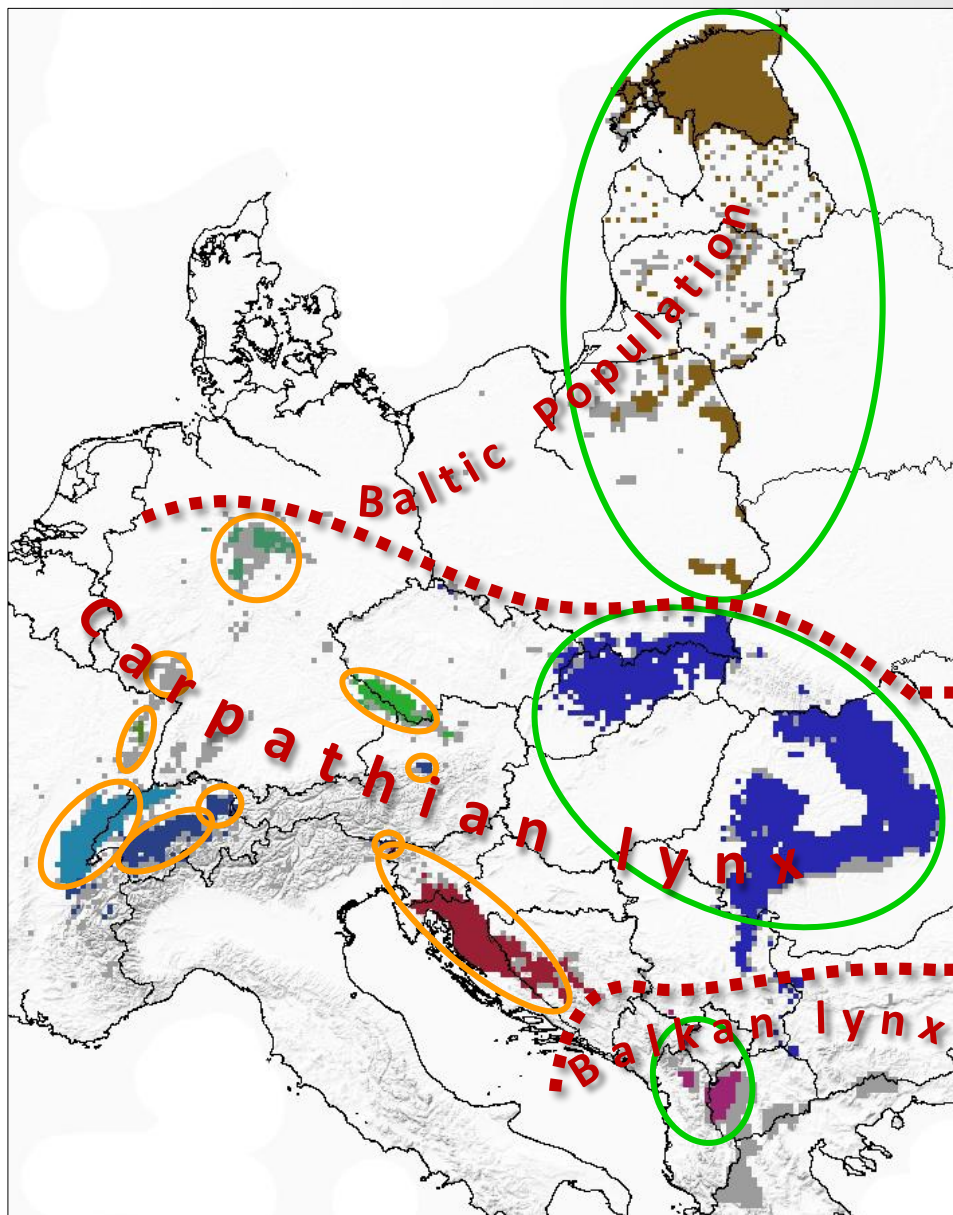


Northern lynx  
*Lynx lynx lynx*

Carpathian lynx  
*Lynx lynx carpathicus*

Balkan lynx  
*Lynx lynx balcanicus*





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Lowlands of north-continental Europe  
*L. i. lynx*

Mountainous regions of West and Central Europe  
*L. i. carpathicus*

Southern Balkan Peninsula  
*L. i. balcanicus*





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Linking Lynx Activities 2023–25\*:

**1. Develop a Conservation Strategy for the lynx in the Carpathian Mountains.**

- Cooperation Bern Convention, Carpathian Convention, IUCN, and all Range Countries

**2. Develop IUCN Guidelines for the Recovery of the Carpathian lynx populations in West and Central Europe**

- Provide guidance for reintroductions/reinforcement to European countries and decision makers

**3. Develop Protocols to harmonise and synchronise lynx conservation in West and Central Europe**

- Synchronise offer/demand of lynx for reintroduction and reinforcement, harmonise

➤ **The Expert Group will inform the Bern Convention SC and Secretariat and hopes for further support/endorsement of Guidelines or Recommendations!**

\*Listing proposal for Eurasian lynx under CMS. Activities included in CMS Concerted Action proposal to CMS COP 14 (Feb 2024)