

**Resolution CM/ResDip(2008)1  
on the revised regulations for the European Diploma for Protected Areas**

*(Adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 20 February 2008  
at the 1018th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies)<sup>1</sup>*

**Appendix 5: Model plan for annual reports**

**Annual report for the year 2018**

Annual reports should describe the changes that have taken place since the previous year in dynamic terms of management and function and not be limited to basic data. Any new text or map introducing a change in the situation of the area should be attached to the annual report.

State: Poland

Name of the area: Bieszczady National Park

Year and number of years since the award or renewal of the European Diploma for Protected Areas:

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<sup>1</sup> As amended by Resolution CM/ResDip(2014)2 on 2 July 2014 at the 1204th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies.  
Internet : <http://www.coe.int/cm>

**1. Conditions:** List here all conditions which were attached to the award or the renewal of the European Diploma. Explain either how the conditions have been totally complied with or detail the progress in complying with the conditions. Please also indicate any unresolved difficulties that you have encountered.

N/A

**2. Recommendations:** List here all recommendations which were attached to the award or the renewal of the European Diploma. Explain either how the recommendations have been totally complied with or detail the progress in complying with the recommendations. Please also indicate any unresolved difficulties that you have encountered.

1. draw up and implement three-year action plans, within the framework of the management plan (2011-2031), and set up a monitoring mechanism based on performance and conservation indicators;

In 2018, the Park completed the implementation of nature protection tasks for the years 2015-2018. On the basis of this document, strict protection of forest ecosystems and alpine pastures was carried out on 70% of the area. Active protection was carried out on the remaining area, including grazing and mowing of meadows (about 2 thousand hectares) and rebuilding of coniferous monoculture (about 100 ha). An area of the Park was opened for tourists - in 2018, the Park was visited by 600,000 visitors. The Park conducted extensive ecological education for various social groups, in which about 28,000 people participated. In 2018, the Park prepared a protection plan for the next three years, 2019-2021, which is currently being processed at the Ministry of the Environment. The relevant ordinance of the Minister of the Environment should be issued by the end of 2018.

1. pursue the efforts to include the beech forests of the Bieszczady National Park on the World Natural Heritage list; aim to harmonise the management of the contiguous beech forests and upland meadows with the similar forests and meadows across the border in the Poloniny National Park (Slovak Republic);

In 2018, efforts to include the most valuable fragments of beech forests, on the list of World Natural Heritage were resumed. Park representative, dr Przemysław Wasiak participated in two international meetings regarding the extension of the entry.

2. manage and control visitor pressure; devise and implement with local stakeholders a sustainable tourism strategy and a prioritised action plan so that the infrastructure of facilities can be developed in line with conservation objectives of the area;

In 2018, the Park signed an EU financed contract, for the improvement of marked trails and protection of nature along touristic routes. As part of this project, in this year following elements were built on the trails: 220 erosion control steps, 46 wooden benches, 280 stone steps, 110 meters of wooden walkways, 20 m<sup>2</sup> of stone slabs, 9 drainage elements, 91 signposts, 36 wooden pillars and 20 guide poles and other the necessary elements were purchased.

The Park also signed a new contract for the reconstruction of the mountain shelter on Polonina Wetlińska.

3. strengthen co-operation between the management of the Bieszczady National Park and municipalities, with a view to forging a common vision and designing common objectives for regional planning and development, taking the biological and landscape interests, and sensitive nature of the site, into account;

In 2018, the Park, with the participation of the ProCarpathia Foundation, organised one meeting on the issue of the establishing of the Consultation Board of the IBR "Eastern Carpathians" (BNP is the part of the reserve). Representatives of the Park participated in meetings of local communities at the level of the Council of Municipalities and Poviats Councils. In turn, representatives of local governments participated in the meetings of the BNP Scientific Board.

4. develop further awareness-raising and educational activities on the role of biodiversity and ecosystem services targeting children and youths;

Over 7.8 thousand participants took part in permanent educational programmes, mainly children and young people. Museum exhibitions were visited by 20.3 thousand people.

In 2018, 25th volume of Roczniki Bieszczadzkie (Annals of Bieszczady) was issued, and map of IBR "Eastern Carpathians" together with mobile Application.

6. continue the monitoring of the flora, fauna and vegetation units, and evaluate the management activities that are necessary for the conservation of species and the restoration of native vegetation.

As part of the monitoring of fauna, the report "Results of monitoring of large predators in the BNP buffer zone in the Cisna commune in 2016-2018" has been published, and is available at

[https://www.bdpn.pl/dokumenty/nauka/2018/2018-07-](https://www.bdpn.pl/dokumenty/nauka/2018/2018-07-03_monitoring%20drapieznikow%20w%20gminie%20Cisna_RAPORT_PODSUMOWUJACY_2016_2018.pdf)

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An article about the monitoring of forest-making processes taking place in forest ecosystems under strict protection available at the following address has been published

<https://www.bdpn.pl/dokumenty/roczniki/rb26/art01.pdf>

The effectiveness of active protection in non-forest ecosystems was monitored.

**3. Site Management:** List here any changes to the European Diploma holding site management, in relation to both terrestrial and aquatic environments (as appropriate), and in relation to staff and finances, since the last annual report was submitted to the Council of Europe. Please also indicate any unresolved difficulties that you have encountered.

During the last year, there have been no significant changes in the management of the Bieszczady National Park.

**4. Boundaries:** Give details of any changes to the boundaries of the European Diploma holding site since the last annual report was submitted to the Council of Europe. If there are any changes, please attach an appropriate map to this report. Please also indicate any unresolved difficulties that you have encountered.

No changes of the BNP's external boundaries

**5. Other information:** List here any other information about the European Diploma holding site which you consider should be provided to the Council of Europe.

We use of the European Diploma logo on the official website [www.bdpn.pl](http://www.bdpn.pl) and on the new information boards which were installed in the park.

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