

Report from the Action plan working group

Annual Meeting of the Pasvik-Inari Advisory
Board

Bygøynes, Norway, 21st-23rd of August 2017



**Year Cycle
of trilateral
cooperation**
- *Main Schedule*

Autumn meeting for the
Advisory Board

(September)

- 1) Report this year's actions
(eg 2010)
- 2) Prioritize common actions
(from **Action Plan**) for next
year (eg 2011)

Winter meeting in "Action
Working Group"

(February)

- 1) Decide upon **1-3** of the
prioritized actions to actually
implement this year (2011)*
- 2) Planning of these actions;
How/when/who/financing

* Additional
unilateral
actions
could be
added freely
by each
country

Spring/summer:
Carry out actions

(April – August)

Field work
Office work



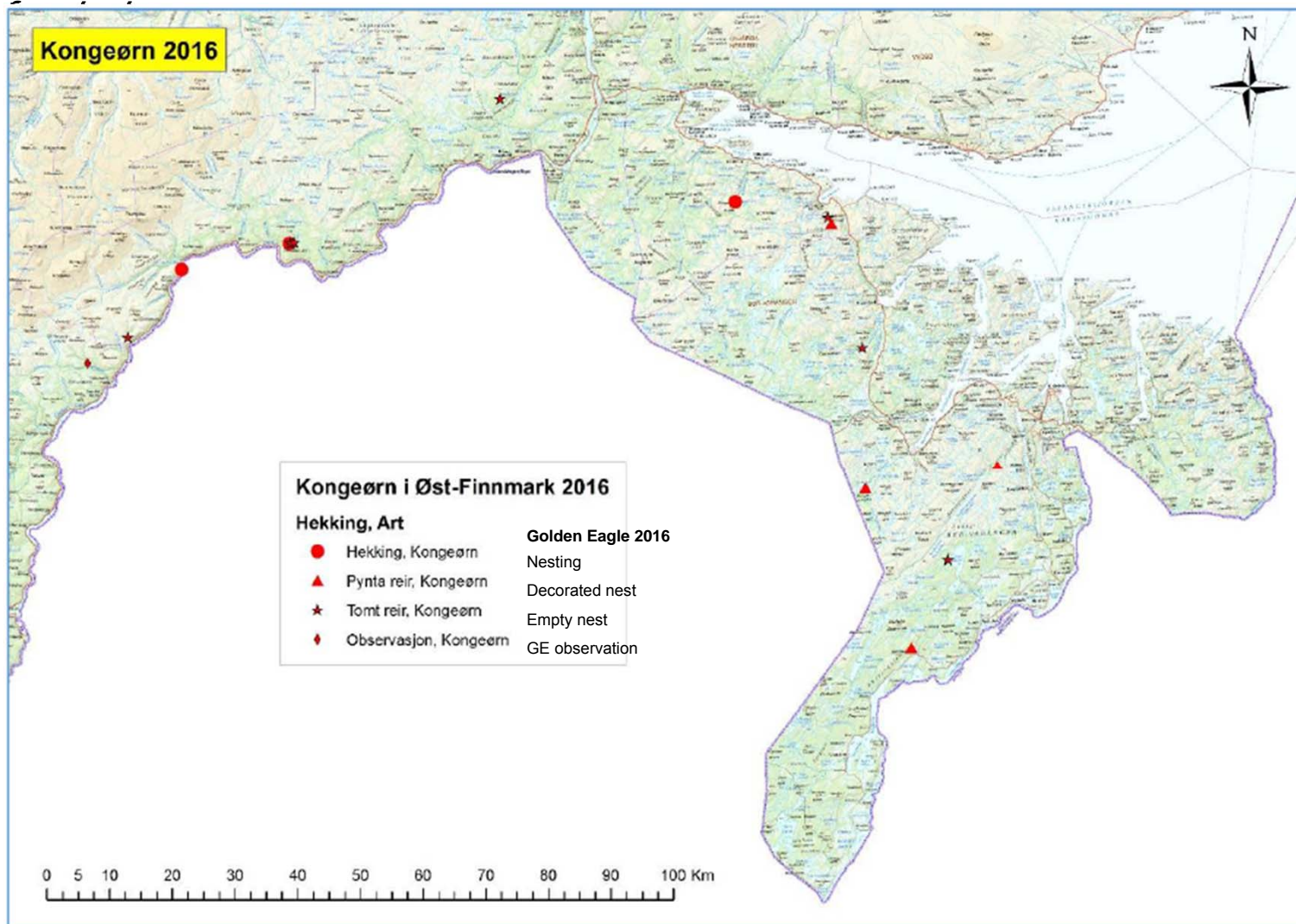
5a. Monitoring activities

- **Waterfowl**
 - 2016: 26.08, 228 ind. birds, to 12 species; 02.09, 251 ind., 16 species.
 - 2017: 24.05, 2110 individuals of 46 species; 01.06, 1237 ind., 38 species.
 - Next autumn observations: 25th of August and 05th of September 2017.
- **Golden Eagle**
 - NO: NINA research institute has mapped Golden Eagle and other birds of prey in 2016 (2 reports finalised and data in Rovbase - see own slide) - cont. same action in 2017 FMFI funding
 - FI: Metsähallitus has monitored breeding in 2017 – see own slide
- **Brown Bear: no joint trilateral action in 2016/2017 - next time in 2019**
 - NO: hair-trapping in Sametti area in 2016 - NIBIO report finalised (see own slide). NIBIO actions in 2017 (own presentation by Paul/ Anne).
- **Bird ringing: results and future work will be discussed in North Calotte GBF-workshop in Norway in September 2017**
 - NO: Biotope and Breewood ringers cooperation. 2015: 3923 birds ringed/ 36 species. 2016: periode 361 birds ringed/ 25 species
 - RU: 2016 - 318 adult birds belonging to 24 species
 - FI: Local branch of Association of Nature Conservation in Finland and volunteers in Ivalo; 2016: results not yet available; 2017: from end of August until mid-September
- **Visitors, see next slide**

5a. cont. Golden Eagle and other birds of prey Norway - short summary for 2016

FMFI funded actions, implemented by NINA and SNO (Alta)

2 reports in Norwegian. Results in Rovbase. Same action in 2017 FMFI



Golden Eagle in Finland

- Breeding result in the Northern Finland was bad as well as in the Northern Sweden, too
 - Food, weather or some other reasons?
- Inari-Utsjoki area has been monitored by helicopter
 - Totally 65 occupied territories but only 10 successful breedings and 11 young
 - 2007- 2016 9-30 successful breedings/year
 - In “Finnish trilateral area” 11 occupied territories and three successful breedings and three young

5a. cont. Brown Bear



Sametti hair-trapping in 2016 - results

Using same “trilateral” system. 20 hair traps. obtained 77 samples: 10 bears identified (6 females and 4 males): 5 known bears and 5 new (4 females and 1 male).

Norway Actions in 2017 - FMFI funded NIBIO implementing

Family structure DNA analysis materials 2004-2016 - Sør-Varanger area

Hair-trapping in Nesseby area

Brown Bears in reindeer calving areas (modelling)

Russian Actions 2017 - PZ collecting hairs in active cooperation with the border authority along the river + photocamera



Core area	Area / Sight	Country	Way of measuring	2015	2016	1.1.-31.7.2017
Pasvik zapovednik	NPA	RUS	counting (permits for entrance)	580	120	25
Øvre-Pasvik NP	NPA	NOR	estimate, *counter	1 956*	1760*	
Pasvik NR	NPA	NOR	estimate	c. 600	c. 600	
Øvre-Pasvik LPA	NPA	NOR	estimate	> 1 500	> 1 500	
Vätsäri WA	NPA	FIN	estimate	7 000	7 000	
Together NPAs				c. 11 636	c. 9 480	
Rajakoski nature school	Visitor centre	RUS	counting	370	310	120
Pasvik zapovednik's visitor centre in Nikel	Visitor centre	RUS	counter	-	567	829
Svanhovd info centre, NIBIO	Visitor centre	NOR	counter	8 961	8 529	5 100
Sámi museum and nature centre Siida	Visitor centre	FIN	counter	113 474	117 414	75 897
Together centres				122 805	126 253	
Piilola hiking trail	Sight	NOR–FIN	counter	160	140	

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- 1 Added here the year 2017, if you Natalia would like to add the numbers of visitors in your new visitor centre f.ex. by the end of July. We do have the monthly data from Siida, which can be presented here too. What about the numbers of visitors in visitor centres in 2017 in Norway, Tiia?

Riina Tervo; 3.8.2017

5b. Enlightenment actions

- **New Visitor Center in Nikel:**
 - It was built in 2011-2016; Visitor Center was constructed and equipped at the end of 2016. It was funded by the Ministry of Natural Resources and the Environment of the Russian Federation, Nornikel and Kolsk mining company. Total funding was around 96 million roubles.
 - The Visitor Center was accepted as satisfactory by the Russian Government inspection on 17 January 2017 and the Year of the Ecology in Russia has started with this event.
 - The international celebration in honor of opening the center to the public was held on 15th of March 2017 and it was dedicated to 25 year anniversary of the Pasvik Reserve and the 100-year anniversary of the Russian Nature Protection System.
- **Trilateral bird watching trips**
 - altogether 29 participants on a cold and snowy day in three countries. Norway won with result of 50 species and 664 bird individuals - congrats!
 - link to web news: <https://prosjekt.fylkesmannen.no/Pasvik-Inari/News/Bird-watching-in-2017/>
- **Joint info material about Brown bear**
 - RU: Marina Trusova - [special presentation](#)
 - NO: Nibio is implementing a series of open public meetings in 2016/2017
- **Green Belt of Fennoscandia workshop in Svanvik, Norway 1.9.-2.9**
 - Field day: bird ringing and be-a-researcher. Seminar: bird ringing, monitoring and ways. Participants from SWE, NOR, RUS and FIN
 - Funding and working time from North Calotte Council, Parks & Wildlife Finland, C County Governor in Finnmark and Øvre Pasvik NP board + partners/ participants





Photo by O. Krotova

5c. Distribution of information

- Communication and marketing plan - In preparation
- Results from brown bear monitoring
 - Published on EU's platform on Coexistence between people and large carnivores; Meeting in Italy in October 2017
 - Natura 2000 award -application: after all not possible, because of the "too good" status of brown bear in Finland
 - Presentation "Brown bear monitoring in PITP: international cooperation experience", Forum in Sochi, December 2016, presented by Natalia Polikarpova
- Presentations and articles
 - Best practices from Pasvik-Inari cooperation in plenary session of 9th Pan-European Green Belt Conference in Koli (FI), November 2016: oral presentation and roll-up
 - "Pasvik Times" newspaper (2016, 2017 - a few articles about PITP)
- Webpages
 - News about new Visitor Center in Nikel, trilateral bird trips and bears on Pasvik-Inari internal website; Russia - PZ Facebook (bird counting, biodiversity info, field expeditions)
- Photo exhibition - on hold
 - Photos about landscape, species and cultural heritage selected.



Pasvik Inari Trilateral Park



Siste artikler

Juni 2017 (3)

- > Bird watching in 2017
- > Transborder Brown Bears
- > New visitors center in Nikel

Januar 2017 (1)

- > Best practises in protected areas

Juni 2016 (1)

- > Bird watching in 2016

Artikkelarkiv

Bird watching in 2017

Publisert 14.06.2017

Annual bird watching trips in Pasvik-Inari-Pechengal

New visitors center in Nikel

Publisert 14.06.2017

Pasvik zapovednik has opened their new visitor center in N



Transborder Bears

Publisert 14.06.2017

Case study published on Coaxis platform on Coaxis people and large c

5d. EUROPARC cooperation

- Activities according to verifier's recommendations
 - Visitor survey: translated questionnaires, on hold
 - Hunting database - in preparation
 - Buffer zone of the Pasvik Reserve - in future. Also the regional protected area - the Nature park "Korablekk" - was established in April 2017. Pasvik Reserve experts were involved in this work and preparation of the documents.
- Annual meeting of Transboundary Parks
 - "Changing Climate, Changing Parks" in Julian Alps Transboundary Ecoregion (IT/SI) June 2017: radical loss of glaciers in the Alps; mitigation and adaptation to climate change
 - Water management in Podyji-Thaytal Transboundary Parks (CZ/AU) 5.-8.6.2018
- TB Task Force
 - Pasvik-Inari tp cooperation represented via Tiia - conducted one brain storm meeting in January 2016 - worked out the TB Strategy (other parties: MH/Arto, Maas-Schwalm Nette/Leo, Krkonosha/Jakub, Julian Alps/Stefano)
- TB Strategy
 - Drafted by EUROPARC - presented at the TPN meeting in 2017



Transboundary Parks
EUROPARC

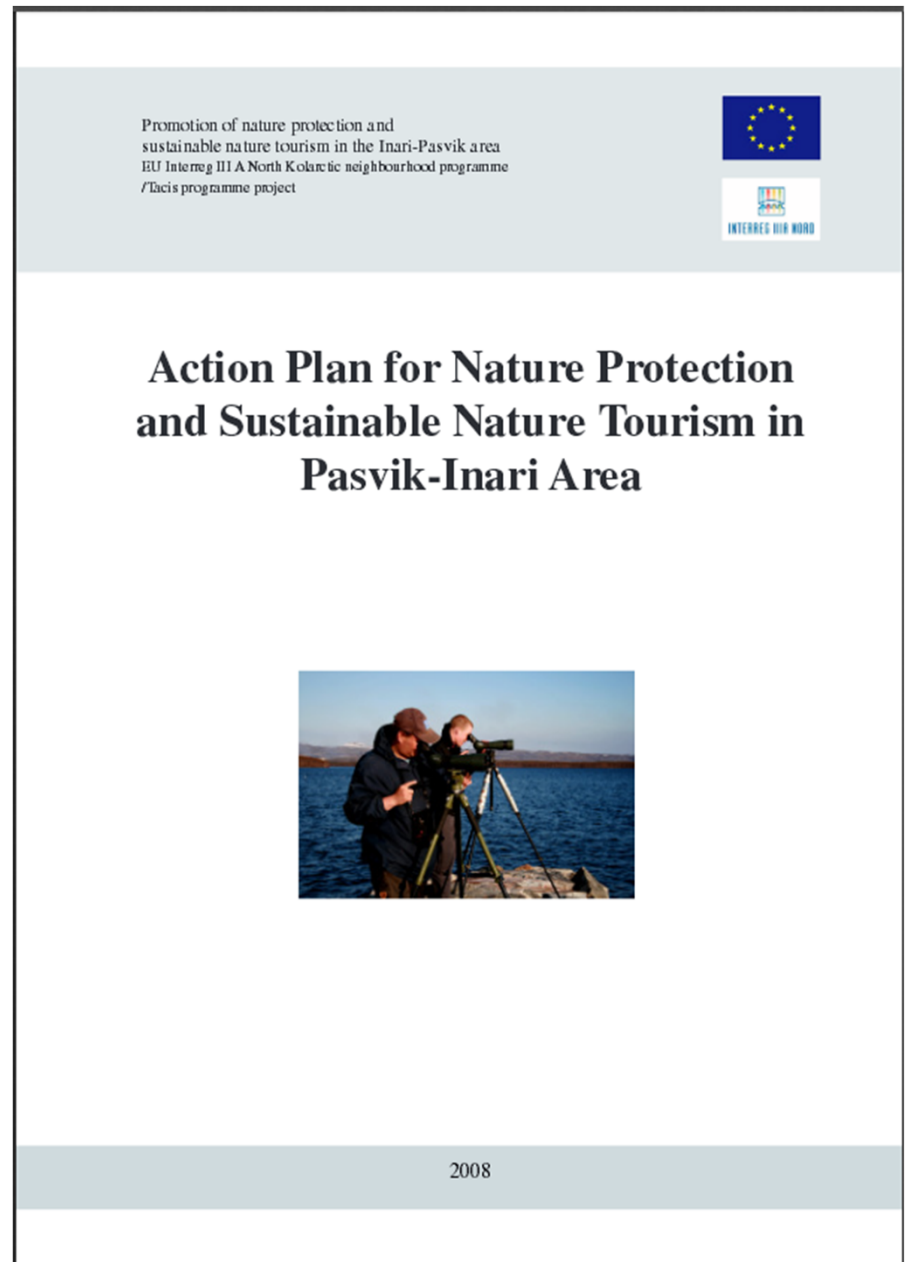
TransParcNet 2017



Photos @ EUROPARC Federation

5e. Action plan

- Status of current 53 listed actions
 - incl. continuous annual cooperation, monitoring actions and projects implemented 2008-2018
 - 37 actions either finalised or continuous, 15 in prep./ put on hold for funding or other reasons, 1 action rejected
 - very good and operational joint strategic and practical planning tool!
- Updating the action plan
 - in prep - contents outline drafted
 - still relevant and unfinalised actions from old plan can be included in new plan
 - draft of new action plan for viewing in AB in 2018 meeting?
 - coming “into force” in 2019-2029



5e. Outline for new action plan

Action plan for Pasvik-Inari trilateral park 2019-2029

Abstract/ Preface

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1. Introduction and history of the trilateral cooperation
2. Revising the Action plan - process

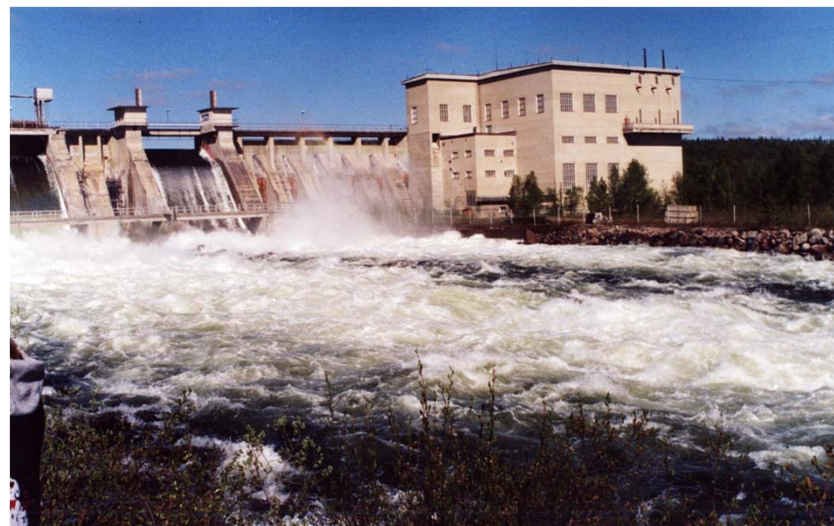
Part A – Background and general info...

3. The Pasvik-Inari area on top of the “*Green Belt Fennoscandia*”
 - 3.1 Climate, landscape, nature, geology and cultural heritage - etc.
4. Protected areas in Pasvik-Inari area
 - 4.1 Rules, regulations, acts and management plans – etc.
5. Nature protection, research and monitoring
6. Environmental enlightenment
7. Nature based tourism
8. Dissemination, communication and marketing

Part B – Cooperation – strategies and new action plan 2019-2029

9. Cooperation
 - 9.1 Vision
 - 9.2 Main objectives, strategies and actions

Annexes



Do you have a PARTNER on the other side of the border?

- ENI Kolarctic -programme

- Funded

- KO1078 REARC - Ecological Restoration of Arctic Rivers led by County Administrative Board for Norrbotten

- KO1110 Cross-border dialogue and Multi-Use Planning in the Pasvik and Grense Jakobselv catchments led by County Governor of Finnmark

- Proposed - did not get funding in 1st call - new proposals will be worked out to future calls

- ARCTIC LIGHT, Project planning led by Parks & Wildlife Finland: new services and products combining nature with tourism; environmental education; 2nd call closing on September 29th 2017

- TRANSCONNECT, Project planning led by Finnish Environment Institute: 3rd call opening in the beginning of 2018. Pasvik-Inari cooperation: the repairing infrastructure on Varlam Isle, updated joint brochure of PITP, international habitat expeditions (mires, forests, biodiversity), bird ringing and multimedia products for the Visitor Center etc.

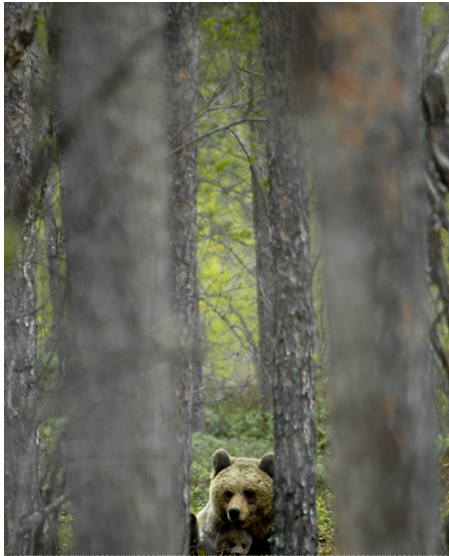
- LIFE

- Proposed

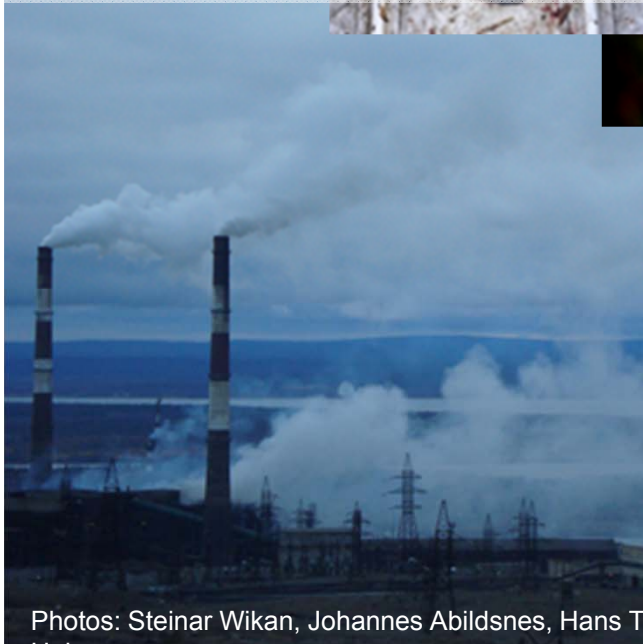
- “European Green Belt Life” led by Euronatur and Parks & Wildlife Finland: networking managers of nature protection areas, active conservation works on demonstration areas, common dissemination activities

6. New targets for 2018

- Annual activities in monitoring and enlightenment
 - MONITORING: trilateral bird ringing, waterfowls, DNA-monitoring of salmonid fish in Pasvik River, updating the bibliography database
 - ECO-EDUCATION: PITP photo exhibition, visitor center exposition in Nikel, pop-publications and web-page interviews on the Brown bear.
- Project work - Funded ENI projects launch (REARC and Multi- use Plan Pasvik)
- New Action plan up-date brainstorming and writing work
- Planning work for Brown Bear trilateral action for 2019
- EUROPARC - cooperation
 - Preparation for re-verification, on hold
 - One-day workshop for filling up the application together, paying fee worth of 2 000 Euros



Takk! Kiitos! Giitu! Спасибо!
Thank You!



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