PONT Grants Programme

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- Private, independent foundation under German Law
- Transboundary conservation trust fund for collaboration and long term funding of conservation by existing Protected Areas, Municipalities, NGOs and research institutes
- Initiatives proposed and implemented by (local) organisations, having a vested interest in the outcomes, are co-financed by PONT
- Co-funding, create synergies/partnerships & avoid overlap
- Lobby for political commitment and government funding

Our Values

Ownership

Pace according to capacity

Culture of being able to learn by doing (also from mistakes)

Long-term (local) partnerships

Conservation actions on the ground

Support for local organisations

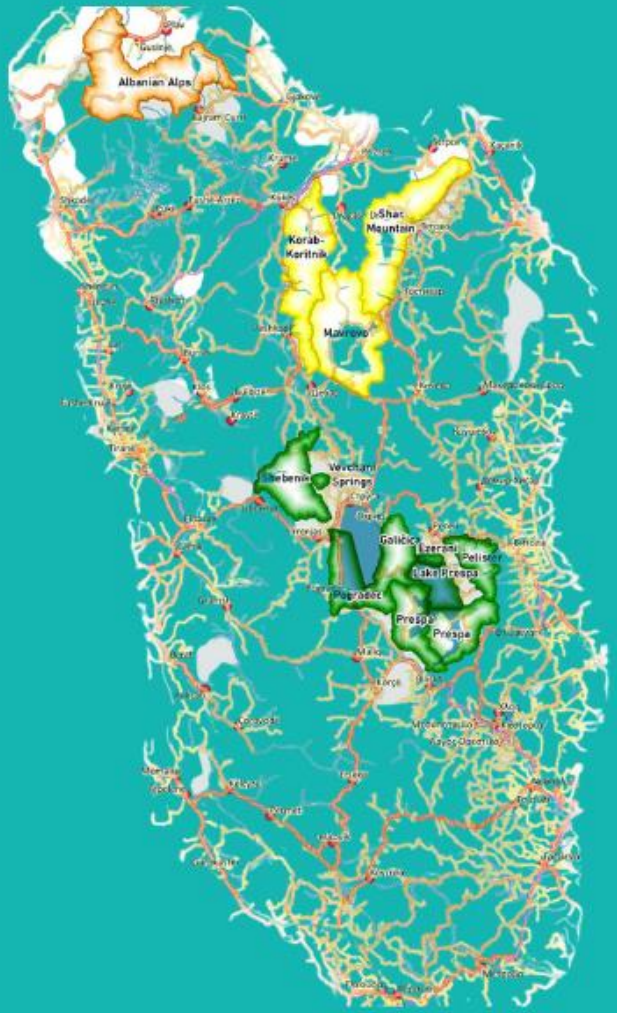
Long-term with focus on programmes rather than project driven

Bringing science and citizens closer together

Respecting traditional culture and knowledge

Giving the younger generation a role to play

PONT Focus Region



Our Mission - Conserving nature for a sustainable future through long-term partnerships and financing

Our Vision - Transboundary conservation areas are reconnected and sustained as important biodiversity hotspots where people live and work in harmony with nature

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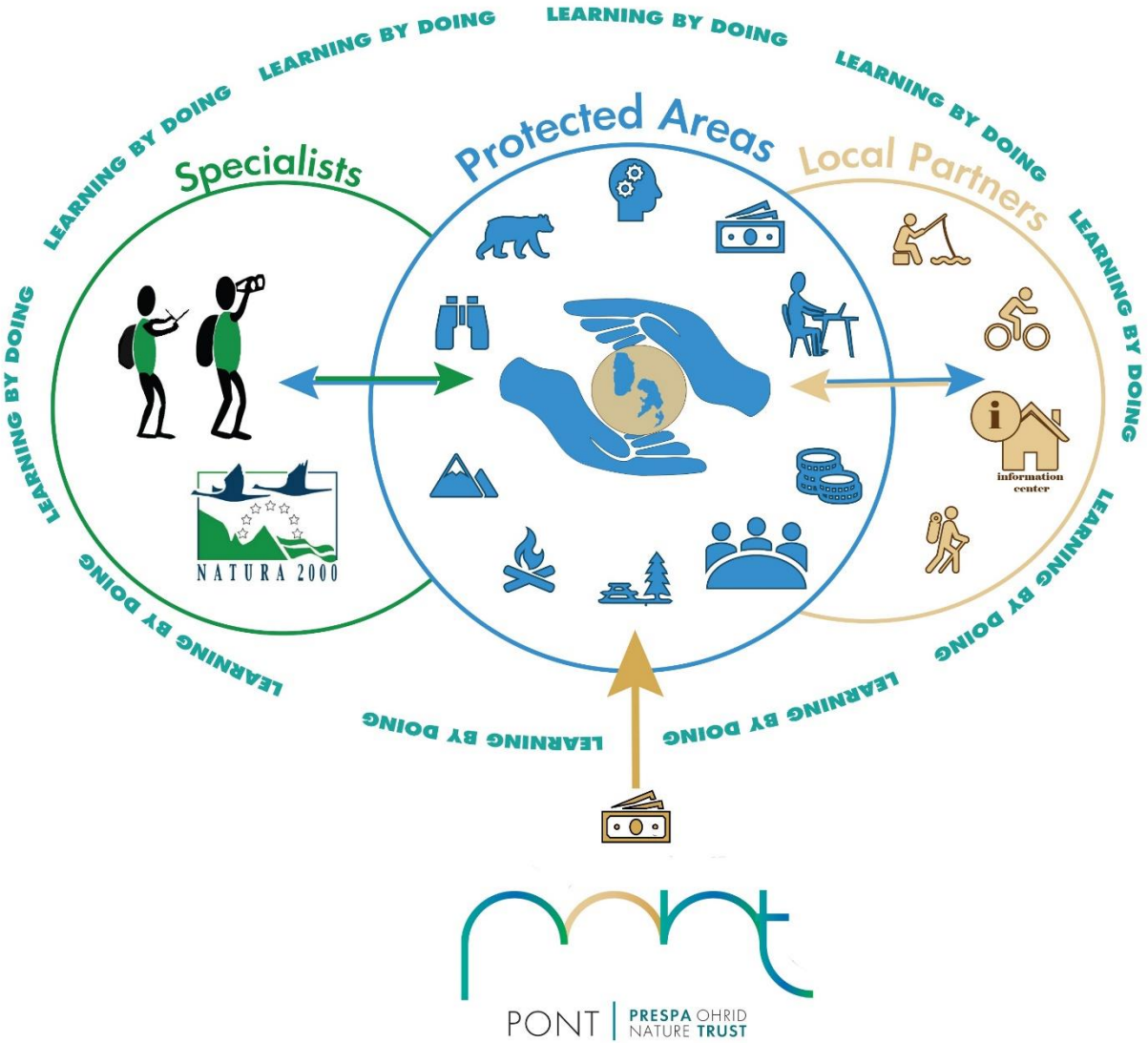
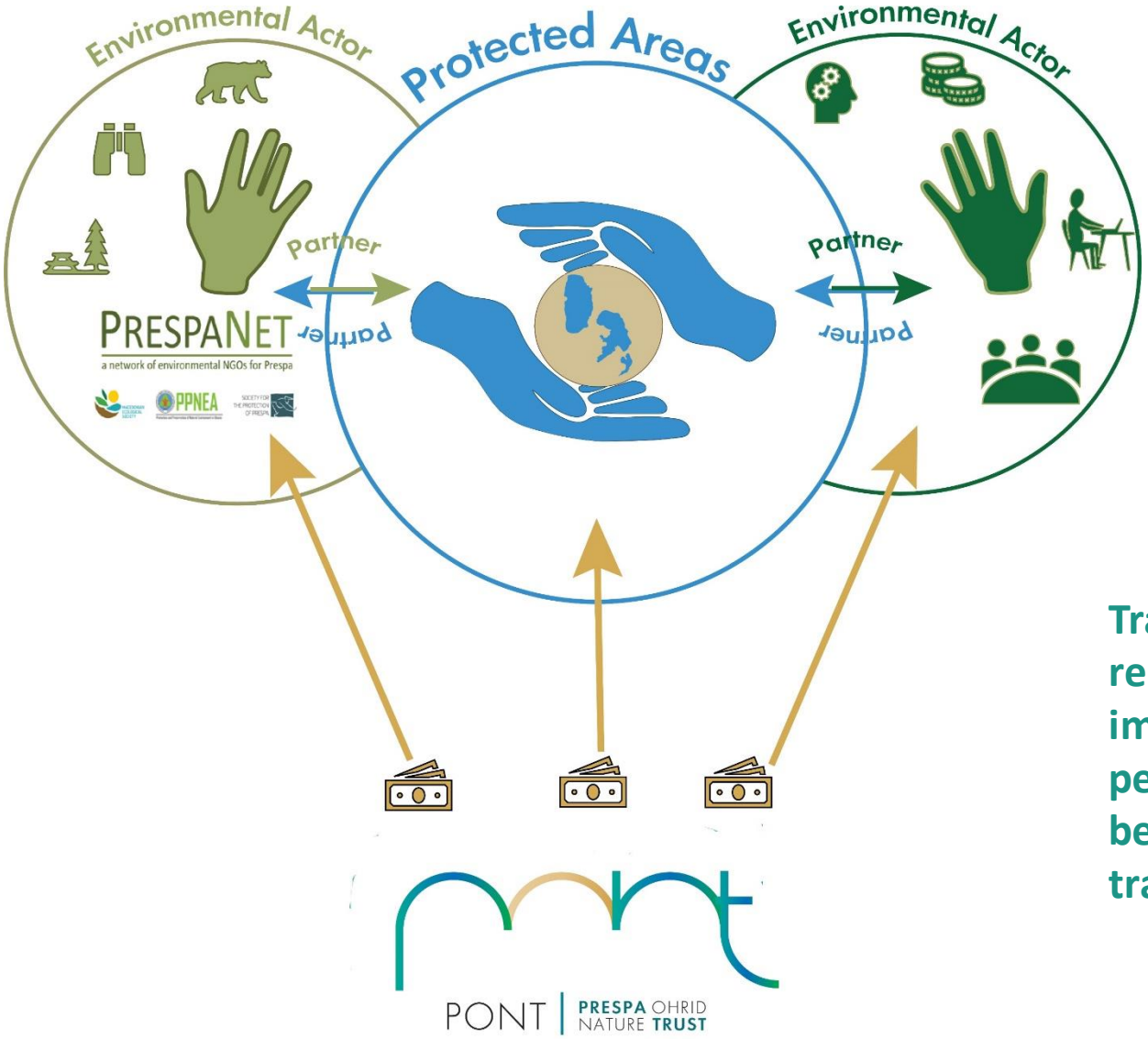
Protected Area Grant Programme



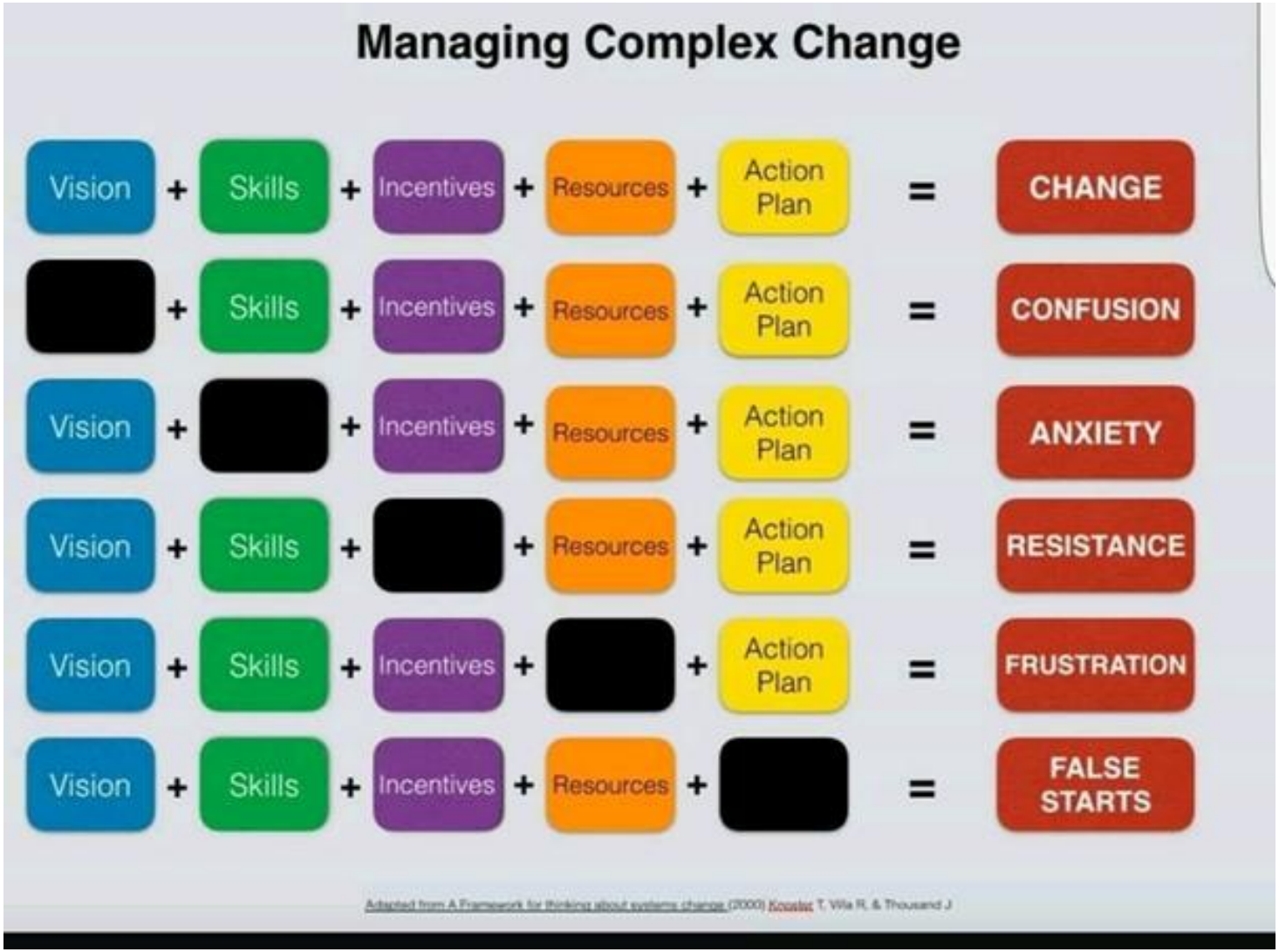
Transformation of the Protected Area system from project-driven to self-managed with increased management effectiveness according to European/ International standards

Environmental Actor Grant Programme



Transformation into a more resilient landscape with improved participation by local people and cooperation between partners (including transboundary cooperation)

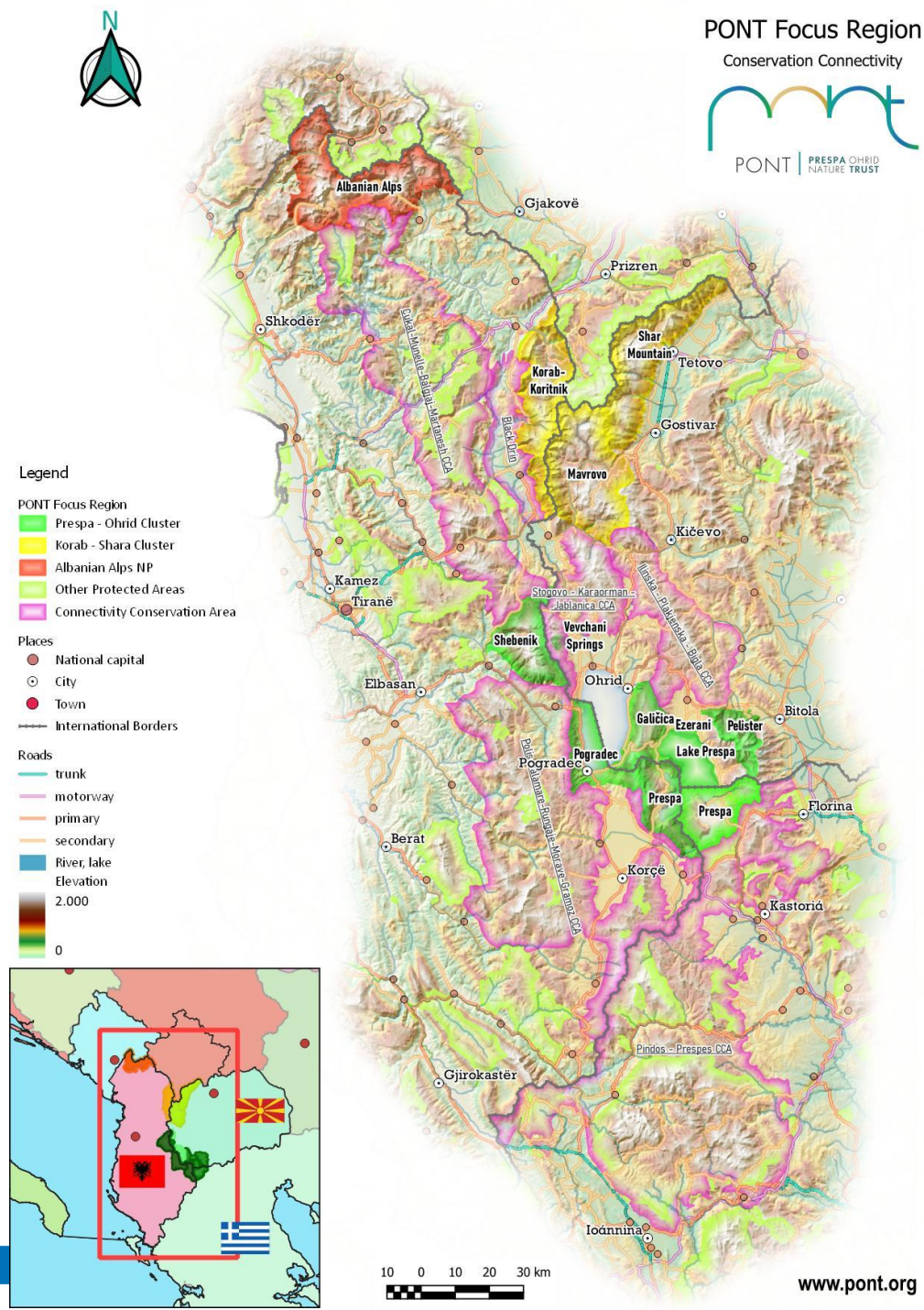
Case for Support



PONT supports grantees in all the elements needed to make this transformation

Current Grantees https://www.pont.org/programme/

Conservation Connectivity



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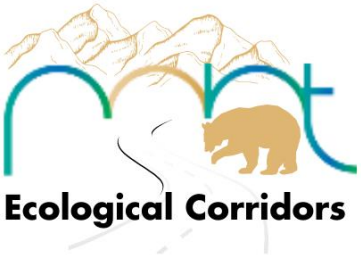

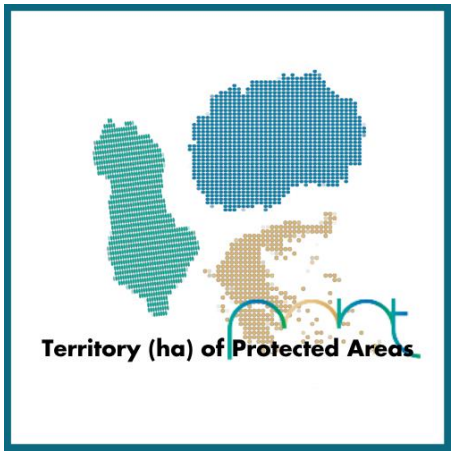

Partnerships

Impact indicators	Baseline	2022	Target 2032	Target 2040
Territory (ha) of Protected Areas supported by PONT operating in line with international (IUCN) standards	0	351.234	350.000	>400.000
Number of strategically PONT financed partnerships between PAs and Environmental Actors (EAs)	0	24	24	28
Number of conservation actions benefiting priority Natura 2000 habitat types	1	7	8	10
Number of conservation actions benefiting priority Natura 2000 species	9	35	60	80
Number of conservation actions benefiting endemic species	0	34	45	55
Number of hectares of ecological corridors with strengthened management of biodiversity	0	2.300	152.300	152.300
Number of green businesses/initiatives supported	0	18	38	48

Thank you!