THE PROJECT

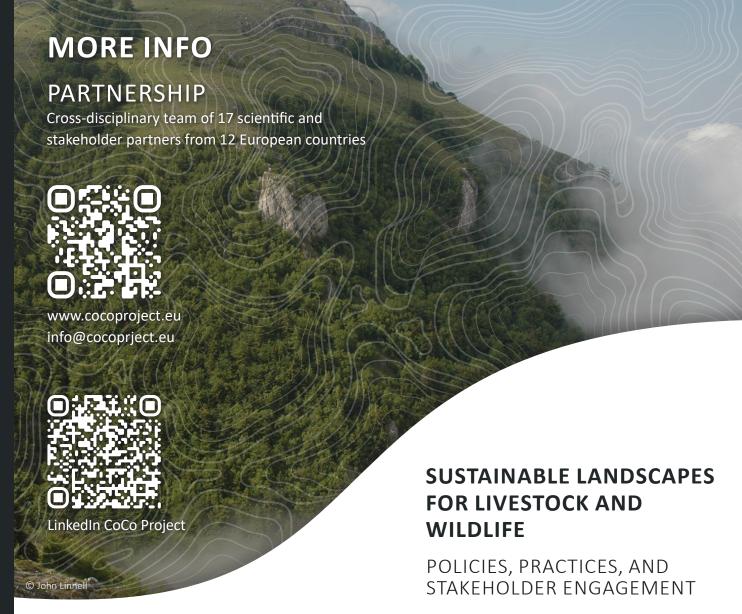
The CoCo Horizon Europe project brings together different kinds of knowledge—from science, traditional practices, and personal experiences—to help people and wildlife thrive side by side.

VISION

We want to transform an entrenched conflict to a future state where pastoralism is valued and viable and coexist with wildlife in multifunctional landscapes.

ACTIVITIES

- Bringing together and combining knowledge from various scientific fields and practical experiences.
- Collecting and analysing new data in areas where knowledge is lacking.
- Creating new ways for scientists and stakeholders to work together.
- Encouraging understanding, trust, and cooperation among the different interest groups involved in agriculture, wildlife management, and biodiversity conservation.



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THE CHALLENGE

Pastoralism and High Nature Value farming are important yet threatened land use systems that are key to maintaining biodiversity in Europe. However, these systems face multiple challenges due to modern economic and land use pressures.

Historically, pastoralists and wildlife shared

wild boar and livestock depredation by wolves or bears. The return of these species, especially where they have been absent for many decades, has sparked polarised social conflicts and highlevel political debates about how they should be managed.

Finding effective animal husbandry practices to deal with wildlife return represents an additional difficulty on top of many others for pastoralists. It is essential that this responsibility is shared across society and that blame for social conflict and costs for living with wildlife does not fall only on pastoralists.

