



# Examples of Natura 2000 sites cooperation on the protection of the Egyptian Vulture



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### Presentation plan

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- How to set up this objective?
- The need for partners
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### Objective of the Life Egyptian Vulture

- The Egyptian Vulture is an endangered species in Europe, for which some Natura 2000 spaces have been allocated in France.
- The objective of Life is to react urgently to avoid the decline of its core population in the south west of France (50% loss of animals in 50 years).



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### This is what is planned to achieve this objective:

- Create experimental feeding plots,
- Watch the reproduction sites to avoid disturbances,
- Rehabilitate deserted sites,
- Reduce mortality factors,
- Make local participants aware of this issue (farmers, hunters, inhabitants, general public ..).



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### How to set up these objectives?

- By arranging the Natura 2000 sites concerned by this species into networks.



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### The need for partners

- The number of sites included in this network leads to several and various partners
  - local communities: joint trade union for the roach
  - park: local natural Park of Lubéron
  - Conservatory: conservatory for natural spaces
  - Associations: CORA, LPO Aude, CoGard,...
  - Federation of climbing
  - ...



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### The role of LPO

- Program initiator
- Project writer in collaboration with partners
- Then coordinator for the whole set up
- And also often local operator



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### What impacts for local participants: Hunters, farmers, ...

- Actions are under no circumstance to be done at the expense of local participants.
- Actions to be set up - which must be perennial after the end of Life funding - involve the research for shared and integrated solutions.



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### What impacts for local participants? Hunters, farmers...

- Example of breeders and experimental feeding plots for the vultures



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### What impacts for local participants? Hunters, farmers...

- Example of hunters:
  - . No obligation
  - . A campaign to make hunters aware of this outstanding heritage



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- Thanks to the Natura 2000 network, for many years LPO has been involved with some farmers, but also forest wardens, regional and national parks in order to safeguard habitats and species. Thus, it has built better and more sustainable relationships with its different partners.



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- For example, a partnership was set up with **the ONF** regarding **the Docob** to work jointly and thus specify a common strategy for each of its sites to get more results together instead of individually.



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Why not initiate a similar approach with the hunters?



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## Examples of Natura 2000 sites cooperation on the protection of the Egyptian Vulture

# Thank you



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