



THE IRON CURTAIN TRAIL

„Awareness raising workshop for Estonia, Finland, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland and Norway“

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German best practise activities along the Green Belt

“Experience Green Belt”



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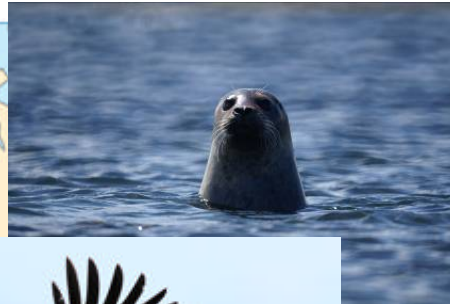
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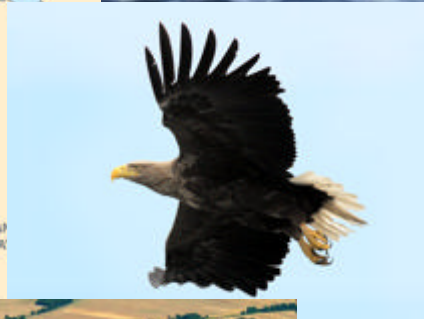
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The Green Belt Initiative



Common nature heritage



**Treasure chest of diversity
.....a living monument to European
history**



BUND Green Belt Initiative



Experience Green Belt

Context „Nature - Culture – History“

Main aim: Testing and developing of bookable nature-tourism offers to strengthen the sustainable protection of the ecological habitat network Green Belt and to increase the local/regional added value.

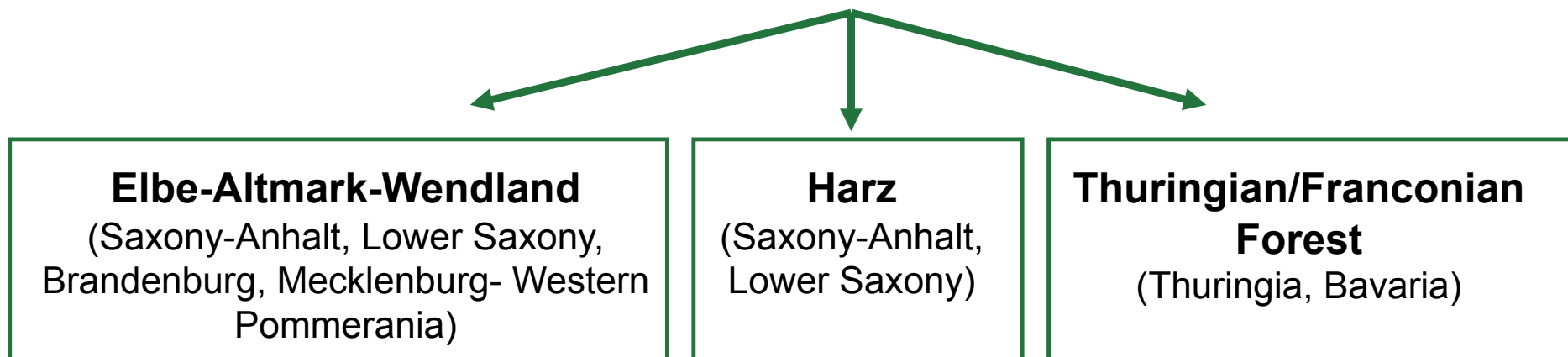


Project organisation:



► **Scientific steering** – “bracket-function” for the Green Belt
BUND-Project Office Green Belt cooperates with several competent partners in ecology, sustainable tourism and marketing

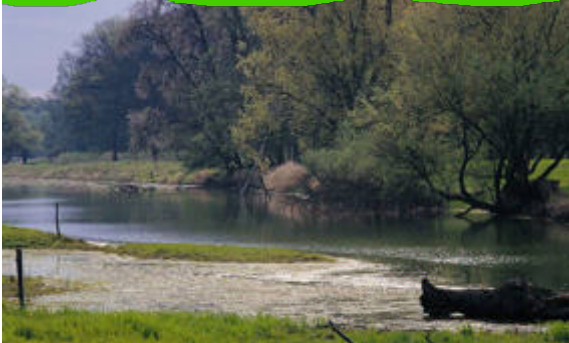
► **Implementation by local partners in three model regions**





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Model Regions



Elbe-Altmark-Wendland:

Border experiences in the four-state-corner



Harz: *Harz without frontiers – border paths through nature and history*

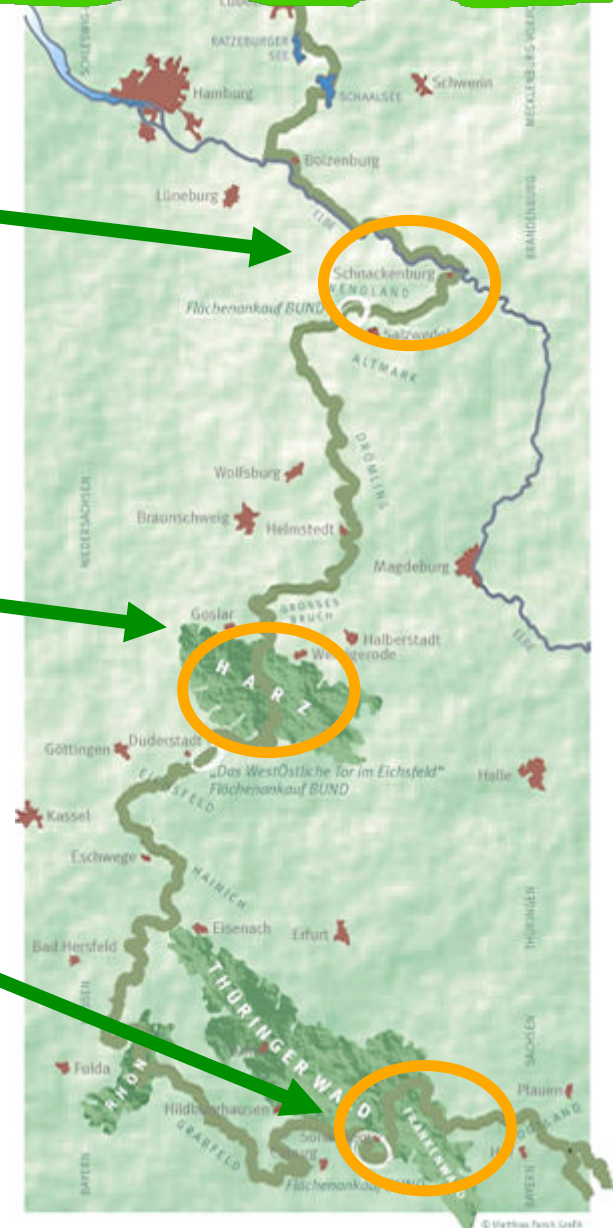


Nature parks Thuringian

Forest/Thuringian Slate

Mountains/Franconian Forest:

The Green Belt – an (inter)active experience





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Success and further recommendations



First success for the Experience Green Belt concept:

The Eichsfeld implemented the concept in it's region

There is still a lot to do

- Nature conservation and preservation needs more support. We are still far away from a coherent ecological network by 2010
- The Green Belt needs more promotion. The Green Belt in Germany is known by just 8 % of Germans

Help and engagement of EU is needed:

- to allocate financial means for further programmes and transboundary activities
- to support sustainable land use
- to help with preservation aspects

The Green Belt with its nature – culture – history context is the cornerstone for cycle tourism along the former Iron Curtain



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Thank you for your attention!

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Scientific Steering - **Corporate Identity/Corporate Design**



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