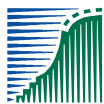




# Practical implementation of Ecological Networks

– stakeholders matter!

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european centre for nature conservation

# Welcome

## **International Stakeholder Workshop**

**“Practical Implementation of Ecological Networks”**

Vught, 11 and 12 February 2009



# Who are we – ECNC?

- Independent organisation working for the conservation and sustainable use of Europe's nature, biodiversity and landscapes
- Not-for-profit foundation
- International team
- Headquarter in the Netherlands and Regional Office in Zagreb, secondment in Paris
- Pan-European scope
- Facilitates and drives the interface between science, society and policy
- Network institution that organises and mobilises expertise between universities, research institutes, conservation agencies and reference centres



# ECNC's vision

## “ECNC for a Beautiful Europe”

- Combining vision with practice
- Focus on common interests between society, land and sea users and biodiversity conservation
- Focus on positive approaches → inspirational, best practices
- Bringing together terrestrial and marine approaches

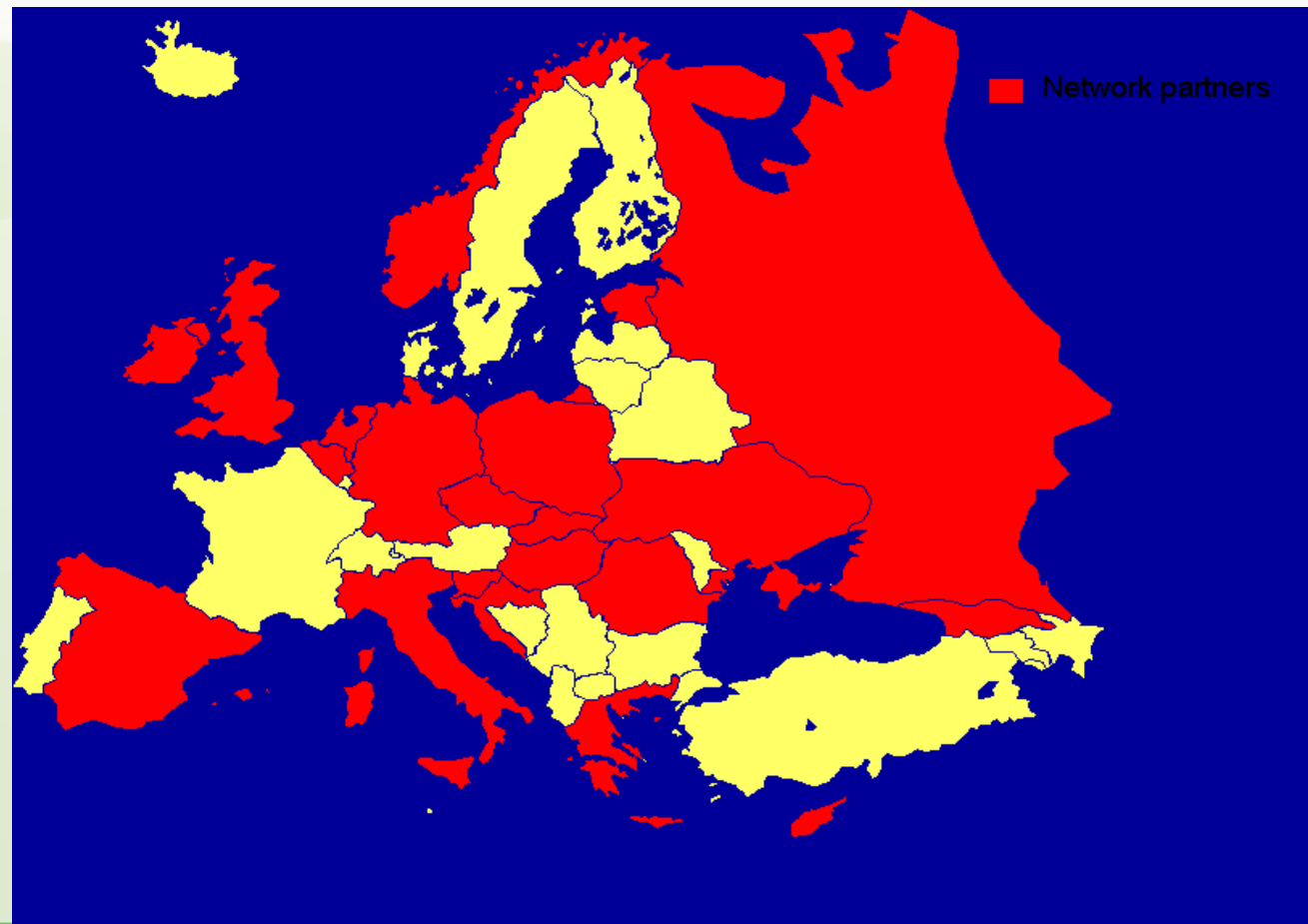


# ECNC network partners

50 partners in  
24 European  
countries

More information

[www.ecnc.org](http://www.ecnc.org)





# Why this workshop?

This is Your Workshop

You are the Stakeholder..

You are our Testing Ground...

We will Learn from You...

# What is in it for you?

We will provide outcomes of the international KEN project – state of the art information and expertise

We enjoy having you around...

You will visit the “Groene Delta project”

# The focus of this workshop

## **KEN - Knowledge for Ecological Networks**

Catalyzing Stakeholder Involvement for the Practical Implementation of Ecological Networks in Europe

- Sister project: SPEN -Spatial Planning and Ecological Networks
- Both funded by the Dutch Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality



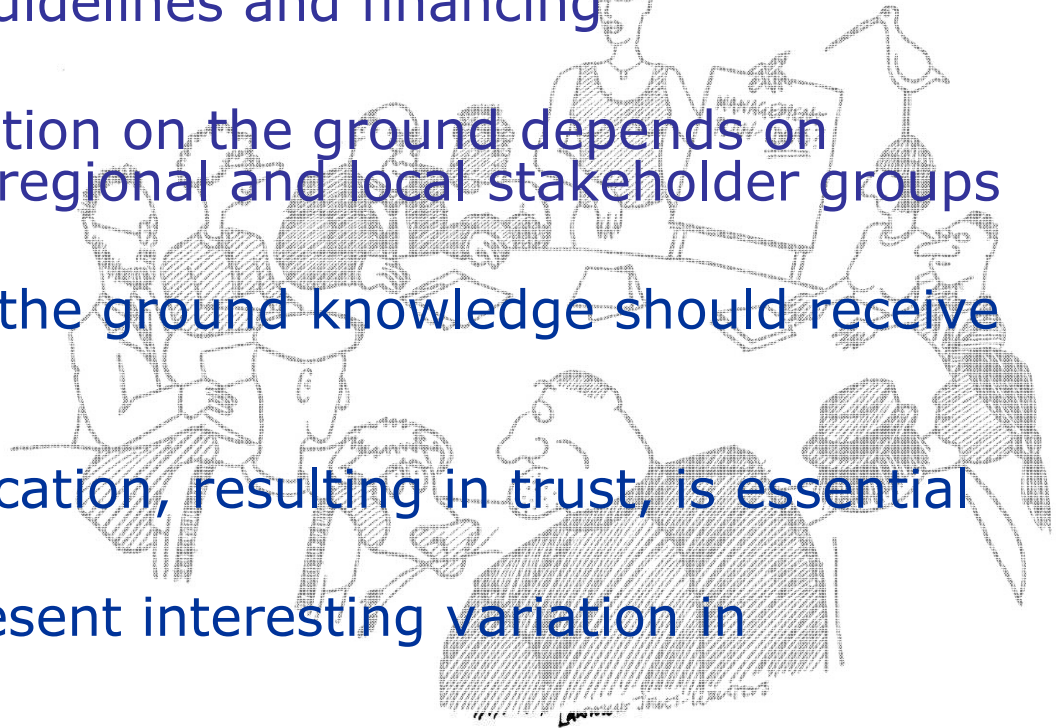
# Oisterwijk conference & workshop

1 and 2 October 2008 in Oisterwijk (NL) preliminary results of KEN & SPEN project were presented and discussed



# KEN Highlights

- Stakeholders have a vital role to play at all levels
- State authorities have a crucial influence on implementation by providing general guidelines and financing
- But ... true implementation on the ground depends on securing support from regional and local stakeholder groups
- Integration of local on the ground knowledge should receive priority
- Building true communication, resulting in trust, is essential
- KEN-case studies represent interesting variation in approaches





# Programme of Workshop (I)

## Morning programme

- Welcome and opening
- Introduction to the workshop and participants, Lawrence Jones-Walters
- The KEN project: objectives and results, Aysegul Cil
- Coffee break
- Ecological Networks: concepts and challenges, Lawrence Jones-Walters
- The implementation of ecological networks in practice, Hans Kampf
- Questions and discussions
- Facilitated working session

# Programme of Workshop (II)

## Afternoon

- Lunch
- Introduction for working groups, Lawrence Jones-Walters
- Working groups (with facilitation)
- Coffee break
- Working groups (with facilitation)
- Feed back from working groups
- Closing, Aysegul Cil
- Diner and social programme



# Programme of Workshop (III)

## **Second day**

Field visit followed by moderated discussion

### **Morning**

Field visit to De Groene Delta

### **Lunch at the farm**

### **Afternoon**

Debate/moderated discussion/panel, based on inspiration  
from visit to Groene Delta