

# Designing a transnational multi-stakeholder project

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# Networks can support partnerships

Euro  : a network bringing together BRs, scientists, practitioners

-> opportunities to develop projects that are based on partnership



: many projects must be based on partnerships





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## Priority axis 4

- Protecting, developing and promoting natural and cultural heritage

### Objective

- Increased capacity of remote and sparsely populated communities for sustainable environmental management
  - > very closely aligned to the goals of biosphere reserves

# Project development

- Bring together BRs from the NPA region
- Add other 'bottom-up' designations
  - Regional parks
  - Potential World Heritage Site
- Initial focus: governance
- Revised focus: creating 'virtuous circles'
  - cultural/natural heritage
  - tourism



# Partnership 1: January-December 2015

- Norway: University of Bergen
- Finland: North Karelia BR
- Norway: Nordhordland candidate BR
- Scotland: Galloway & Southern Ayrshire BR
- Iceland: Snæfellsnes regional park
- Sweden: Vindelälven candidate BR
- Norway: Association of Regional Parks

# Partnership 2: March 2016

- Scotland: University of the Highlands & Islands
- Finland: North Karelia BR
- Norway: Nordhordland candidate BR
- Scotland: Galloway & Southern Ayrshire BR
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- Scotland: Wester Ross BR
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- Finland: Karelia University of Applied Sciences
- Canada: Manicouagan-Uapishka BR (NordMAB)

# Partnership 3: November 2016

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# New project approved

Sustainable Heritage Areas: Partnerships for Ecotourism (SHAPE)

- May 2017 – April 2020
- Budget: €1,523,479

