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## **Abstract**

## CONSERVATION OF AGRO-BIODIVERSITY IN THE CULTURAL LANDSCAPES OF REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA"

Republic of Macedonia trough the process of EU integration is expressing the interest for sharing the same values as the EU member states, accepting the responsibilities and standards for environment and nature protection in line with sustainable development principles.

Conservation of the agro biodiversity in the cultural landscape is the new challenge taking in to consideration the richness of the varieties and landscape present at the territory of Macedonia.

Region of Pelagonija where the last Water Buffaloes are present is a unique opportunity to map our relationship with these domestic animals sharing the land over time with the local people being a part of our national heritage and each of our lives.

The Challenge in a front of us is to save and secure survival and continuity of our shared heritage. It is everyone's responsibility to safeguard cultural landscapes. It is different dimension of protection new way of thinking and perception of our existence on the Planet Earth.

The ongoing care and interpretation of the cultural landscapes in line with conservation of the agro biodiversity will improve our quality of life and deepens a sense of place and identity for future generations.

Challenge in Republic of Macedonia is to map, promote and protect specific regions trough conservation of the agro biodiversity in the cultural landscape.

New policy of regional development and implementation of the Law regulation are the first step in achieving of these goals.