The European Forum on Nature Conservation and Pastoralism brings together ecologists, nature conservationists, farmers, and policy makers.

This non-profit network exists to increase understanding of the nature-conservation and cultural value of certain farming systems, and to inform work on their maintenance.
Membership across Europe

- Some 60 members in 20+ countries
- Mainly conservationist background, but all types
- Large and small, not all active and contributing
- Other partners which are not members but share projects and funds (CERPAM, GOs, etc.)
Energising the European network

- Network and Communications Officer appointed.
- Closer contact with members, survey, gather input, share information, etc.
- Better dissemination through social media @EFNCP.
- EFNCP conference in Ireland with sessions for members and partners.
- Participation in other EFNCP events and project activities.
Continuing the work...

- Linking with other “European HNV networks”

**Farmer Research Groups**

- Dehesa, Spain
- Montado and Mosaic Systems, Portugal
- Valonia oak silvopastoral systems, Greece
- Grazed oak woodlands in Sardinia, Italy
- Bocage agroforestry in Brittany, France
- Wood pasture and parkland, UK
- Agroforestry in the Spreewald flood plain, Germany
- Wood pasture, Hungary
- Wood pasture, Romania
- Wood pasture and reindeer, Sweden

- Further funding
Why and how to network?

- What do we expect to get from networking?
  - Sharing knowledge and experience
  - Extending HNV farming
  - Mutual support
  - Policy influence
  - Linking and cooperating with other sectors: tourism, marketing, etc.

- What scale (local, regional, national, European) is the most appropriate for each objective?

- In what type of network are we willing to invest our own resources? What should our priorities be? What other networks will mostly depend on external funding?

- Low-cost internet-based tools (facebook, whatsapp, emails, websites, etc.) and how to overcome their limitations.
Thank you...

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