RED4NATURE CHANGING EU RENEWABLE ENERGY POLICY

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WHO ARE WE?

NGO based in Radolfzell & Brussels

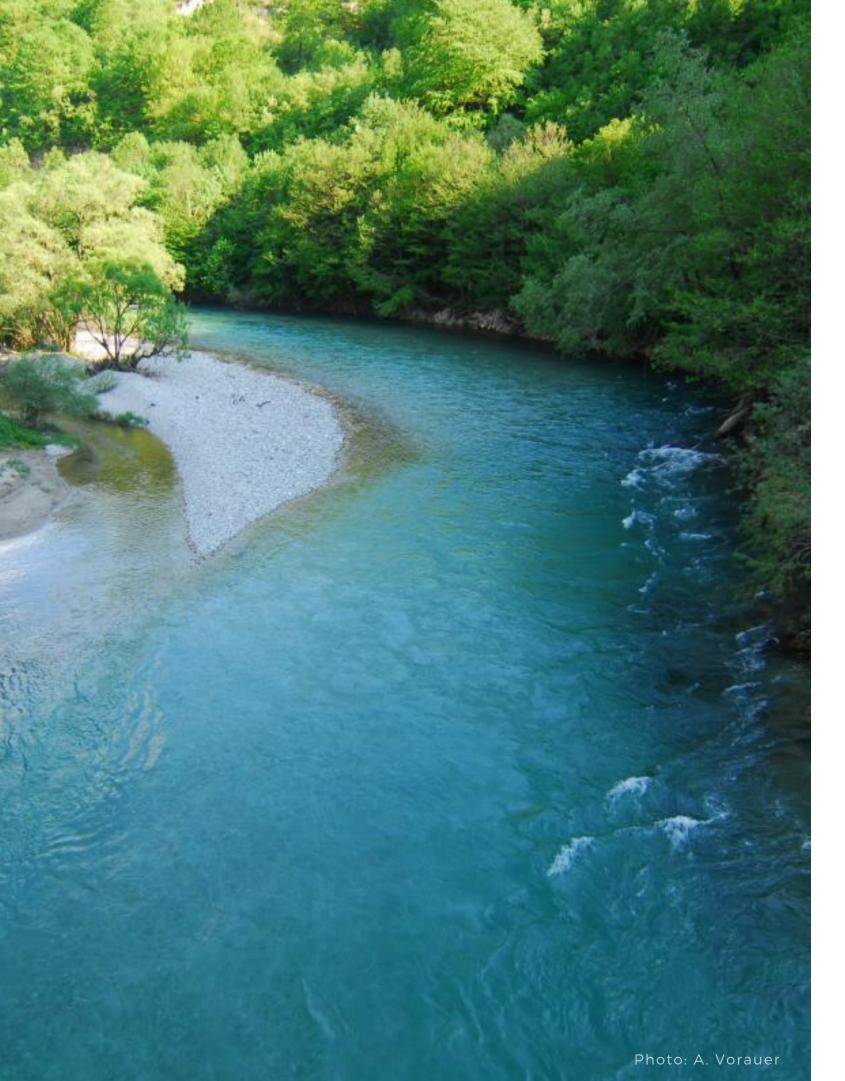
Working with local NGOs and activists in Europe

Focus on nature conservation in Central, Eastern Europe

Connect people and nature

Conservation focus:
wetlands, rivers, lakes, primary forests;
migratory birds and large carnivores;
cultural landscapes and traditional livelihoods





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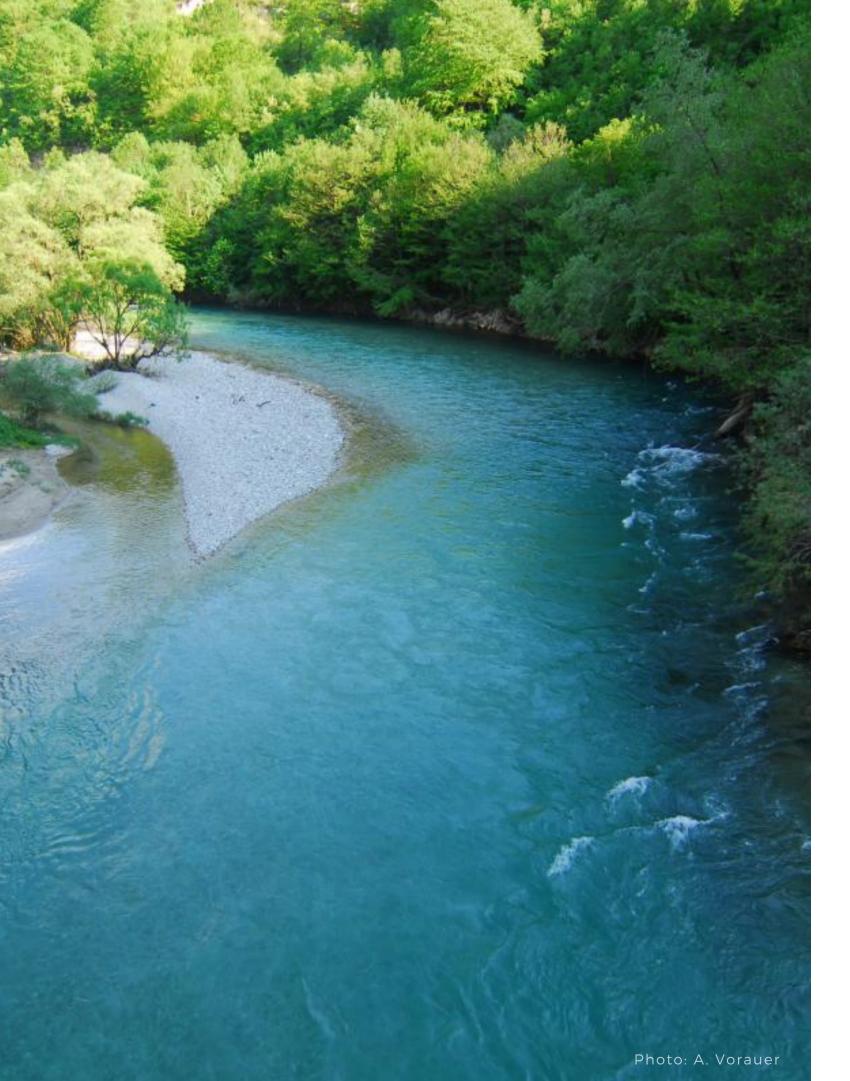
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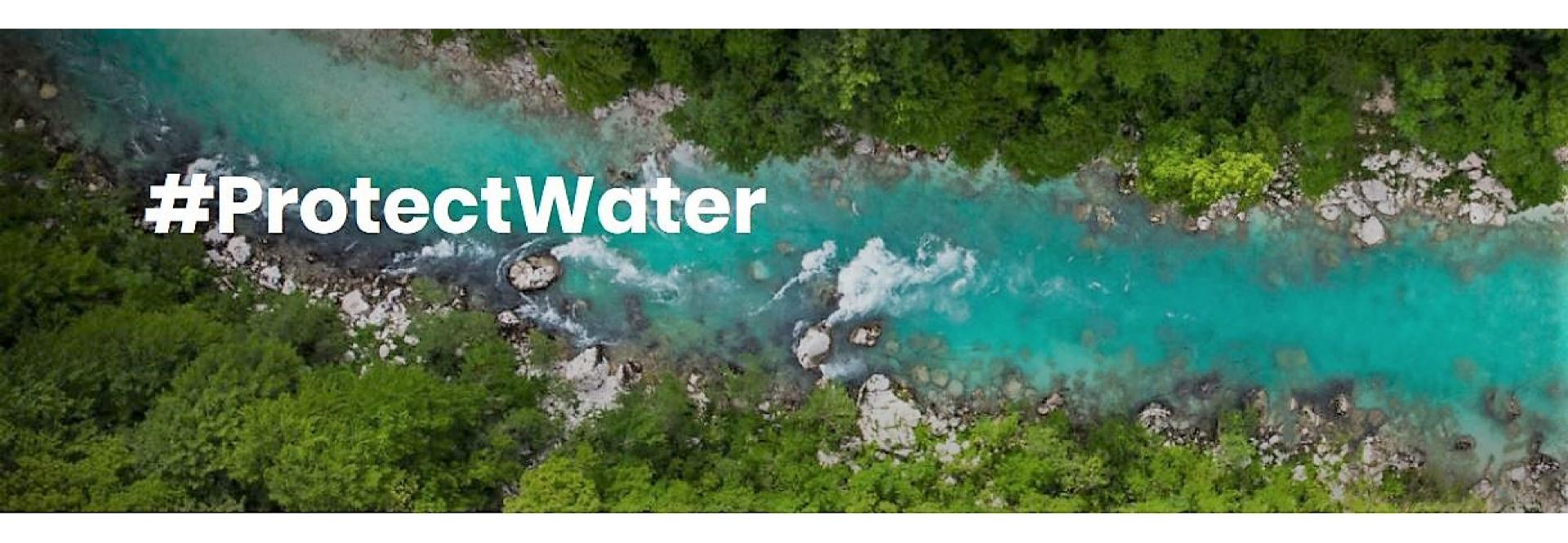
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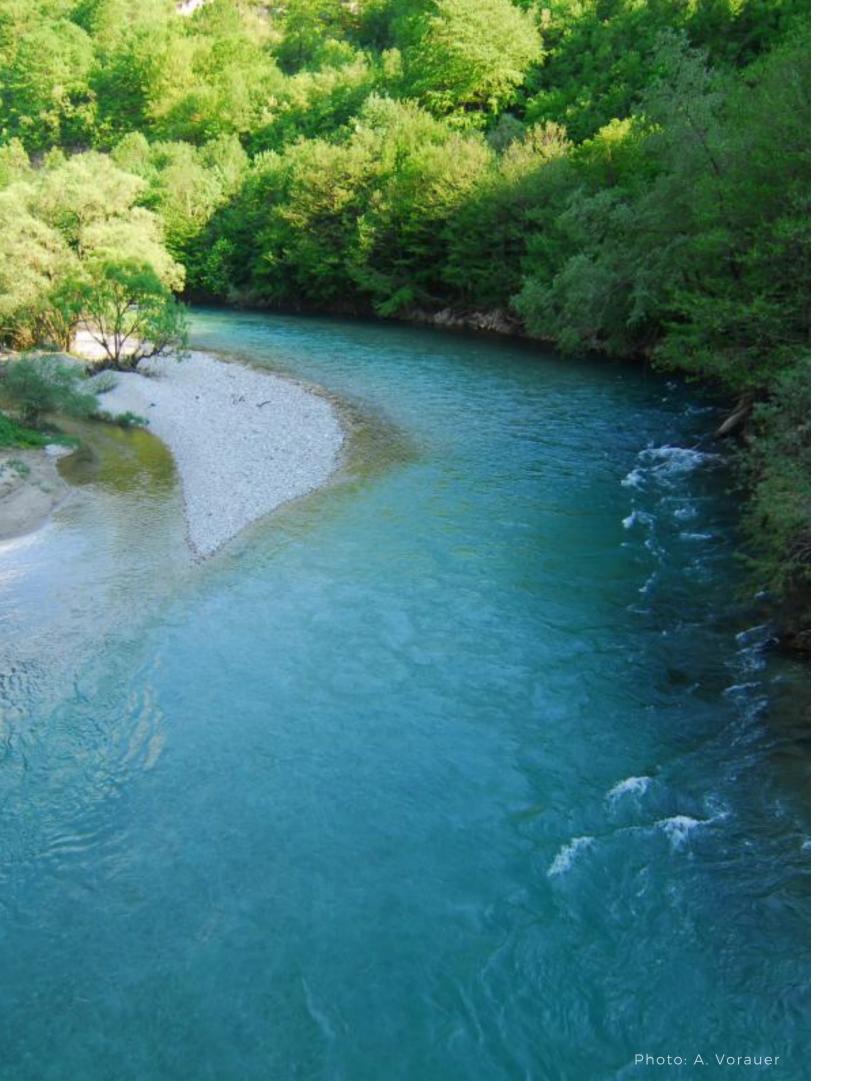












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No Money No Dams: NGOs call on EBRD to stop hydropower finance (2018-2019)

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NO MONEY. NO DAMS.

Tell International Banks to Stop Investing in the Destruction of Europe's Last Wild Rivers













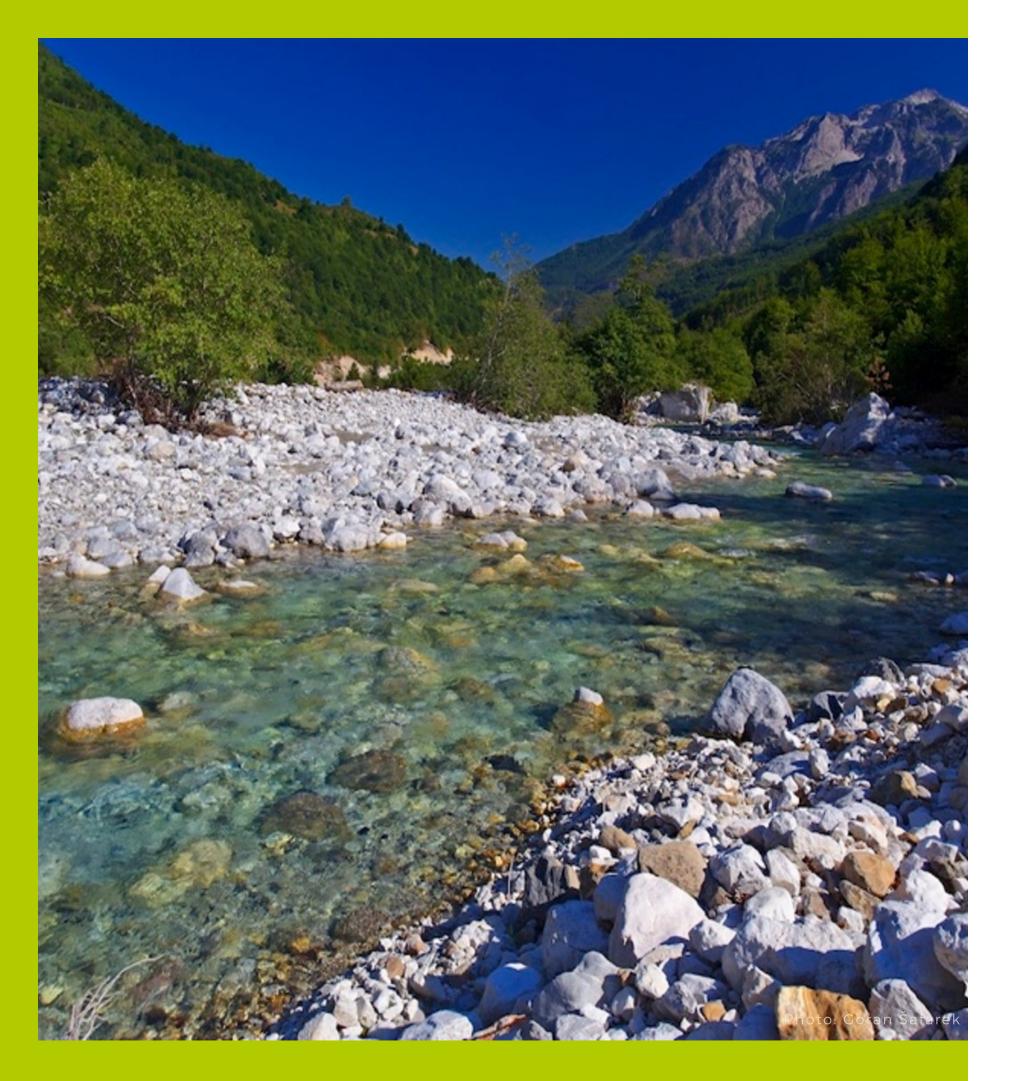


WHY RED4NATURE

The Renewable Energy Directive (RED): reducing carbon emissions through renewable energy investments

Aligning climate mitigation with nature conservation objectives

Let's talk about low-nature-impact energy!



WHAT LEGISLATIVE CHANGE?

NEW EU DIRECTION

- New hydropower (& forest biomass) cannot be counted towards RE targets
- Sensitivity of species and habitats accounted for in planning decisions for RE
- Change the grid to enable decentralised energy (e.g. solar)
- Incentivise solar energy on buildings
- Incentivise heating with geothermal energy



TIMELINE

EU POLITICS

- Phase 1: European Commission drafts proposal
- Phase 2: European Parliament and Council adopt positions until June 2022
 - Key players:
 - MEP Markus Pieper
 - MEP Nils Torvalds
 - Slovenian & French Presidency
- Phase 3: Triologue Negotiations until 2023



OUR STRATEGY

TAKE UP SPACE

- Build online presence
 - Trend #RED4Nature & #StopFakeRenewables
 - Blog about what we think
 - Create Platform with other nature NGOs - Joint statement
 - Bring online media attention
- Build in-person presence
 - Intense lobby meetings
 - Host political events
 - Send postcards to ministers and MEPs
 - Interview MEPs create social media content



WHAT YOU CAN DO AS ACTIVISITS?

- Lead actions nationally: host events, invite MEPs/politicians to see a river
- Speak to national decision makers: call them, come to lobby week meetings, go to their events

- Support each other online: twitter, facebook, instagram, tiktok
- Attend events & speak up: online or offline ask questions, take up space; make your voice heard



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