The Branch of
German Nature
Protection Union
in the Republic of Armenia

NABU-Armenia
How did it start?

2001 – NABU started its work as an environmental conservation consulting company in cooperation with the Ministry of Nature Protection in the Republic of Armenia

2010 – The Armenian Branch of German Nature Protection Union was established

2018 – over 15 projects and campaigns

Coordination and consulting over 30 organizations in Armenia

FOR PEOPLE AND NATURE
Our Partners

1. Development of the Organic Agriculture in Armenia
   - Over
   - 36

2. Nature Conservation
   - Over
   - 30

3. Other non-governmental organizations
   - Over
   - 40

Our key partners
Our Goals

- Research and conservation of the biodiversity of Armenia
- Preservation of wild animals and plants habitats, human-wildlife conflict research, solution development for those conflicts
- Development of the ecotourism and rural tourism in Armenia
- Research and solution development of the social problems in Armenia
- Increasing the level of Eco-education in Armenia
- Consulting and Partnership with conservation oriented organizations
Our Team

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5 state employees

4 project employees

Over 450 volunteers

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Conservation of Armenian Mouflon and its habitat

- **Financial support** against illegal hunting.
- **Eco-educational campaigns** – Armenian Mouflons and Bezoar Goats
- **Monitoring** of the wild population of Armenian Mouflons
Development of the Organic Agriculture in Armenia

- Certification of local producers
- Support in finding business partners abroad
- 36 beneficiaries and we continue to work

20.02.2015 ACBA-CREDIT AGRICOLE BANK and The Armenian Branch of NABU signed an agreement about long term collaboration
Development of the Rural Tourism in Armenia

- Organization of conferences, workshops and trainings for the villagers
- Announcement of Grant projects for the villagers
- Coordination of Selected projects
- Development of the web page which will include all needed information
BIRDS OF PREY RESEARCH AND CONSERVATION PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

- GPS tracking
- Audio recording - monitoring
- Field monitoring (yearly)
- Community involvement
- Development of observation centres
- Eco-education
BIRDS OF PREY OF ARMENIA

Sustainable project

Education
Eco-educational campaigns

Research
Birds of prey nest identification and monitoring

Conservation
Development of conservation program for target species
“FALCON”
Eco-educational campaign

1 Informative lectures at schools

2 Birdwatching excursion for school children

3 Eco-educational campaigns
**“FALCON”**

Eco-educational campaign

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Total number of “Falcon” competition participants

350
“VULTURES OF ARMENIA”
Eco-educational campaign

- Interactive educational materials
- Social media promotion
- Public lecture
- Informative lectures at schools
- Birdwatching excursion
- Birdwatching excursion for school children

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“VULTURES OF ARMENIA”
Eco-educational campaign

Social media informative posts about vultures of Armenia

Total number of participants of birdwatching for school children

Total number of public lecture participants

Winners of the “My favourite vulture” campaign

Duration

Total number of participants from schools

Participant schools

Total number of public birdwatching participants

NABU
EXPEDITION

Estimation of the birds of prey species distribution in Armenia

Birds of prey nest identification

Development of the birds of prey research project for Armenia
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*spotted species are highlighted with white
A bit of Armenia

- Elevation: 980-4090
- Semi-deserts – dense forests
- High mountainous country: (-30) – (+45)
- Elevation: 980-4090

~29,000 m²
Birdwatching and its Difficulties in Armenia

- Low accessibility
- Absence of up to date data
- Absence of interest from community side
- Illegal hunting

346 species
50 years
Illegal hunting in Armenia
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Thank you for your Attention!!!