# "Transhumance – seasonal droving of livestock" UNESCO file Process of extension

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# The steps taken in the new extension

- 2023: Inscription of Transhumance on the Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of UNESCO
- February 2024: Meeting under the Carpathian Convention at the request of Poland for extending the file → checking the possibility of all Carpathian countries to join the UNESCO file
- April 2024: Romanian Ministry of Culture decides to coordinate the new extension
- July, September 2024: Online working meetings to prepare the file
  October 2024: Working meeting in Bucharest
  Next steps → March 2025 → December 2026

# **R2.** The importance of **TRANSHUMANCE** for the Sustainable Development Goals

- ✓ Food security
- $\checkmark$  Health care
- $\checkmark$  Quality education
- $\checkmark$  Gender equality
- ✓ Inclusive economic development
- Environmental sustainability including climate change
- ✓ Community resilience

## R3. Assessing existing and ongoing safeguarding projects between "old" and "new" countries

 Carpathian countries' joint projects for documenting and safeguarding Transhumance/pastoralism



#### Bucharest Meeting: 24-25 October, Romanian Ministry of Culture



Spain, Croatia, Italy, Romania, Poland, Slovakia, Serbia, Portugal, Turkiye, Bulgaria, CC

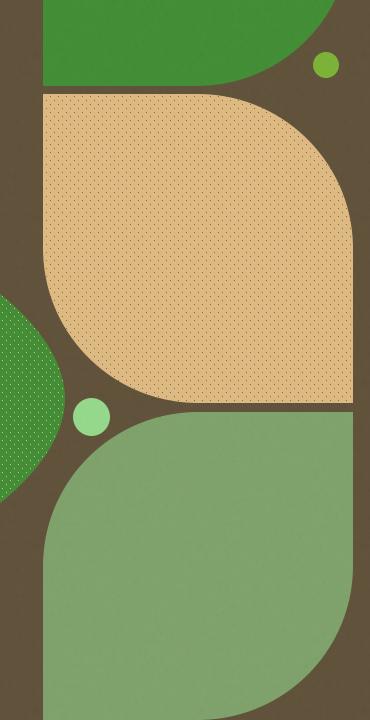


"Romanian-Polish pastoral connection"

National Village Museum, Bucharest (sheep milking station, Alba county/Carpathian vernacular architecture)

## Participation of Carpathian Convention countries to the UNESCO file extension

- Poland, Slovakia, Serbia, Ukraine (& Romania)
  - Administrative mandatory step: The documentation and recognition at the national level of Transhumance as intangible cultural heritage
- The information already provided for the multinational extension:
  - Combining of traditional old pastoral structures and modern ways
  - Environmentally friendly use of Carpathian mountain resources
  - Importance of the institutional support (government, academia)
  - Similarities: seasonality, rituals, sheep breeds, terminology



## Dedicated meeting of the Carpathian Convention countries

### • Poland, Serbia, Slovakia, Romania

- Facilitation by the representative of the Carpathian Convention Secretariat
- Participation of the national focal points of the Carpathian Convention of Romania and Slovakia, and of the representative of the National Agency of the Mountain Area in Romania
- Identifying new ways for enhancing collaboration and support between all Carpathian countries on safeguarding pastoralism
  - "Safeguarding Carpathian Pastoralism" → Register of good safeguarding practices of the UNESCO 2003 Convention

