

Worksheet

- Target group: kindergarten groups and school classes or groups with their accompanying teachers; local groups
- Group size: 3-30 persons
- Total time allocation: Action period every year between May 22 and June 5, more precisely from the International Biological Diversity Day, Natura 2000 Day, European and Hungarian Week of National Parks to the World Environmental Day. For a group, the preparation of the photo tour (identification of the Natura 2000 area, planning) can take 1 hour. The tour can take 1-4 hours, depending on the distance. The search for traces of life in the field itself takes 15-75 minutes. Selecting the photos, finalizing the texts and uploading them can take 10-60 minutes, depending on the local group culture.
- Material equipment for the implementation of the programme: at least one camera per group, or at least one participant's (or the accompanying person's) own smart device that can be used to take photos.
- Programme structure and instructions: programme layout, objectives of each session, time allocation, instructions for a facilitator, instructions for students - - all of this is included in the Call for Action, see below.

Traces of Life Action Call for eco-schools and green kindergartens - extract

The Educational Research and Development Institute, with the professional support of the Department of Nature Conservation of the Ministry of Agriculture, publishes a call for action under the title Traces of Life Action. All public education institutions can participate in the campaign, regardless of whether the given kindergarten or school is in an urban or rural environment.

The purpose of the Action is for to find a Natura 2000 area in the surroundings of your kindergarten or school, visit it, take a/some photo and upload it to a common digital surface by June 14. Next to the photo, enter the nine-digit code of the Natura 2000 area, the name and address of the institution and group, and the title of the photo(s).

The call aims to help people learn about the Natura 2000 concept, experiential pedagogy in the field, and the pedagogical use of digital opportunities. In accordance with the practice of previous years, the uploaded photos will be made public - a few days late - in a common map application, so that the green kindergartens and eco-schools can also see the creations of the partner institutions and show their joint results to others. In addition to pride in local values, virtual publicity also helps to strengthen relationships between kindergartens and schools committed to environmental education. All participating groups win, as they can get to know the valuable landscape of their natural environment at the European level, the species and associations that live there, and the people who maintain the values, through an enjoyable activity. The Traces of Life Action is repeated every year, thereby serving the community-institutional documentation of changes in a landscape, as well as the development of living relationships between grades and generations. Previous photos can be browsed at the bottom of the [page](#).

Action period: 21 May - 14 June

A. Task for kindergarten teams

Find and discover the Natura 2000 area closest to the kindergarten and show a sign of life on the Internet!

As a help, the booklet Let's go Nature! and its aids can be downloaded from the page available at the link.

1. Using an Internet source (<http://natura2000.eea.europa.eu/>) or local, national park expert contact, identify the nearest location (Natura 2000 area) and some of its interesting features. Do not forget to write down the code of the area, because in addition to a photo, you will also need the code of the location, i.e. the Natura 2000 area (example: HUBF30003).

2. During a trip or visit during the promotional period, take a photo of a Natura 2000 marker species or its traces (signs of life), or a group photo at one of the Natura 2000 sites so that the landscape is also visible in the photo, or capture the joys and sorrows taken in the area their map. The Promotion does not limit the number of participants in the field program (there is no upper or lower limit).

3. At least a few photos per participating team, or the photo of the joy-sorrow map, can be uploaded to the Life Signs Action between May 21 and June 14.

Attention! On the protected site, you can operate in accordance with nature conservation regulations, and works can only be made in accordance with nature conservation regulations!

We recommend that you publish the pictures on your kindergarten's website or virtual community group, to which you can of course attach many more creations and descriptions of activities.

B. Task for school teams

Students of eco-school groups (e.g. class, hobby group, hiking club) or, possibly, with the help of their teachers, search for the Natura 2000 area closest to their school on the Internet (<http://natura2000.eea.europa.eu/>) and discover it. Visit here and look for Natura 2000 plant or animal species and their signs of life. On the spot, take a photo of the landscape that clearly shows the valuable habitat; or a photo of a Natura 2000 species and its vital signs; or, in consultation with the area manager of the Natura 2000 area, the group should take part in habitat maintenance work and take a photo of it. Name the photo (file, files) and save the photo as a digital file, 600*800 resolution, jpg or png type image. If they also participated in habitat maintenance work, the name of the work process should be included in the name of the digital file of the photo showing this.

Do not forget to write down the code of the area, because in addition to a photo, you will also need the code of the location, i.e. the Natura 2000 area (example: HUBF30003).

For preparation and processing of the topic, we recommend Naturázzunk! puzzle book tasks and tests. It can be downloaded together with pedagogical aids from the page available at the [link](#).

The photo and the code can be uploaded to the Action until midnight on June 14. The Promotion does not limit the number of participants in the field program (there is no upper or lower limit).

Attention! Activities can be carried out on site in accordance with nature conservation regulations, and works can only be made in accordance with nature conservation regulations.

If you see, for example, a bog turtle, green leaf frog, or stag beetle in the area, you can also upload the observation to the website www.vadonleso.hu. These species are easily identifiable Natura 2000 marking species, so they are included in the Vadonleső campaign. We recommend to publish the pictures on the school's website, to which, of course, many more works and descriptions can be attached.