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**STRATEGIC PRIORITY AREA 1: CHARACTERIZATION, INVENTORY AND
MONITORING OF TRENDS AND ASSOCIATED RISKS**

Actions undertaken during the past year

1. Permanent process of inventories of the location, population status, trends and characteristics of AnGR (especially horse and donkey).
2. Monitoring trends of AnGR, by responsibility institutions.
3. Updated informations on National Database of Autochtonous Breeds.

Actions planned for the next year

1. International cooperation and activities between neighbouring countries on sharing informations and genetic material related to transboundary breeds.
2. Identification on genetic level and DNA research.

STRATEGIC PRIORITY AREA 2: SUSTAINABLE USE AND DEVELOPMENT

Actions undertaken during the past year

1. Support farmers who decided to converse from conventional to organic production.
2. Activities on Characterization of the indigenous and improved Podolic cattle breeds and identification of threats for extinction in global challenges

Actions planned for the next year

1. Furtter support to promotion of autochtonous breeds.
2. Support Breeding Association

STRATEGIC PRIORITY AREA 3: CONSERVATION

Actions undertaken during the past year

1. Government support stakeholders who keep endangered breeds (subsidies programme).

2. SAVE Foundation supported establishment of breeding group of Domestic Mountain Ponies having characteristics of Tarpan like primitive horses.

Actions planned for the next year

1. Further support for farmers, Breeding Association and NGO dealing with on-farm conservation.

STRATEGIC PRIORITY AREA 4: POLICIES, INSTITUTIONS AND CAPACITY BUILDING

Actions undertaken during the past year

1. On the basis of Law on Animal Husbandry ("Official Gazette RS", No. 41/09), enacted the Rules on the list of genetic reserves of domestic animals, the way of preserving genetic reserves of domestic animals, as well as a list of indigenous breeds of domestic animals and endangered indigenous breeds ("Official Gazette RS", No. 38/10)
2. Starting with translation on national language Global Plan of Action for Animal Genetic Resources and Interlaken Declaration
3. Analysis of pilot HNMF areas typical for Serbia (Deliblato sands, Stara Mt.- Support for Agri-environment Policies and Programming in Serbia, Avalon, IEEP, IUCN, Natura Balkanika) and possibilities of sustainable agriculture and rural development in wetland nature protected areas which holds collections of autochthonic animals (Protection and management of Zasavica Special Nature Reserve as a tool for sustainable rural development, Wageningen International and Pokret gorana Sremska Mitrovica).
4. Serbian umbrella association "Breeders of Old Breeds of Serbia" was established aiming to support Serbian breeders of autochthonous breeds. The association was officially registered in May 2010.
5. UNDP and Serbian Ministry of Environment and Spatial Planning is preparing Serbian Biodiversity Conservation Strategy. Part of the draft Strategy is covering agrobiodiversity conservation.
6. Activities on Development of regional network in function of sustainable breeding programs for transboundary breeds
7. Activities on Preparation of a Meat and Milk Sector Study for the IPARD Programme

Actions planned for the next year

1. Implementation of the multifunctional pilot project for integrated conservation of genetic resources traditional landscapes protection, conservation of traditional grazing practices and valorisation through rural tourism in nature protected areas (GEF project within WB STAR project in Stara Mountain area in Serbia)
3. Development of the HNMF Typology and map of HNMF (Support for Agri-environment Policies and Programming in Serbia, Avalon, IEEP, IUCN, Natura Balkanika)
4. Development of the two pilot Agri-environment schemes - Rural Development support measure for the IPARD axis 3 which will target HNMF (Sustainable Tourism for Rural Development UNDP, MDG-F Program)
5. Creating of 5 years Programme of maintaining of biodiversity in livestock