



Newsletter

LIFE FOR LASCA

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The Post LIFE

On September 16th our FRIS partners came back to visit us, as every year since the LIFE for LASCA project began. The technicians from Slovenia came to Pontevicchio di Magenta, for the latest activities foreseen in the action plan and the future post-LIFE activities. These activities that will be implemented in the future are necessary in order not to make the efforts, carried out in these 4 years, in vain. In fact, a prerogative of LIFE projects, and in any case of all projects for the protection of nature, is precisely the fact that the initial actions have a continuation in the years to come. In this way it will be possible to monitor and preserve the populations of Lasca and the habitat where the releases were made in the wild.

In addition to the meeting between the technicians of FRIS and Ticino Park, the stock of young specimens of Lasca, born in the Park's fish breeding facilities in the course of 2021, was delivered, as per project forecast, with another stock of spawners. All the specimens were transported to Slovenia to the fish hatchery in Kobarid. These Lasca specimens in part will be released in nature and in part will be used for artificial reproduction to make the fish hatchery in Slovenia more productive in view of future releases that will take place from now on.

The Staff of LIFE for Lasca-Photo Pietro Beretta



Young Lasca specimens-Photo Pietro Beretta



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LIFE 2021-2027

From 2021 a new phase of the LIFE program opens. The Call for Proposals 2021 are the objectives of the program updated to date. The phases of the LIFE program up to 2020 were: LIFE I: 1992-1995; LIFE II: 1996-1999, LIFE III: 2000-2006, LIFE +: 2007-2013, in LIFE 2014-2020; this year the new 2021-2027 program is inaugurated, organizing over 5.4 billion euros made available to the EU.

About 3.5 billion euros will be allocated to the "Environment" component, dedicated to nature and biodiversity, circular economy, quality of life and climate actions, in particular, of this last voice, 0.9 billion will be allocated for mitigation and adaptation to climate change, while 1 billion for the transition to clean energy.

The various activities included in the funding are many: information, communication and awareness raising, studies, surveys, model and scenario development, preparation, implementation, surveillance, control and evaluation of legislation, policies and programs, workshops, conferences and meetings, platforms, networks of contacts and good practices.

In addition to the "standard" projects, LIFE provides for some particular forms of intervention such as strategic projects for the protection of nature, co-financed and framed in specific action programs at Member State level in the field of nature and biodiversity protection, aimed at promote the participation of a wide range of stakeholders and coordination / co-financing between different sources.

Climate changes: fallen trees in 2018 due to the Vaia storm in Trentino -Photo Pietro Beretta



European Cooperation Day

On 21 September Europe celebrates the European Cooperation Day. What better example of cooperation than the efforts carried out by the Ticino Park and the FRIS in Slovenia for the safeguarding and conservation of an endangered species such as Lasca in the LIFE for Lasca project ?!

EC Day is the symbol of the union of European cultures and economies, which need to collaborate to achieve better results in various actions, against climate change, for environmental protection, for social inclusion, for water resources management etc.

In practice, the European Union finances cooperation projects, called INTERREG, for over 10 billion euros, to achieve common goals between neighboring countries and neighboring regions.

The Ticino Park actively participates in various Interreg projects such as the "Sharesalmo" (<https://www.sharesalmo.it/>) between Italy and Switzerland for the conservation of native salmonids and the "Parchi Verbano Ticino" (<https://www.parchiverbanoticino.it/>) again between Italy and Switzerland for the management of water resources between Lake Maggiore and River Ticino.

In honor of this cooperation, many events are organized every year such as film reviews, concerts, foot races, local markets, food fairs... and much more!

