

ACTION PLAN FOR ISRAEL INPUT IN TRANS-BOUNDARY PARK (STRANDJA)

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- **Introductory statement**

The aim is to conserve the biodiversity and landscape in one of trans-boundary mountains – Stranja. One third of this mountain is situated in Bulgaria and two thirds are in Turkey. This mountain is an important place for the European migratory bird species. It is a part of the second migratory fly-way, that passes through Israel twice a year – in spring and fall.

- **Goal:**

In our 50 master plans, which I'm responsible for, I will promote the addition of about spring & fall bird migration route.

Emphasis will be on improving their physical conditions and the possibility to provide the opportunity to let people learn and see more by providing signage (pictures, explanations, etc.) and making facilities which will attract people to watch and learn about these birds in their habitat.

- **Barriers:**

1. I don't know a lot about bird's migration.
2. This topic never came up before in our plans.
3. There is a need to explain the importance of the connection between our actions in protected areas and forests and the actions of other countries along the fly-way.

- **Benefits:**

1. Increased protection of the birds and their habitats,
2. Provide an opportunity for people to learn about bird migration and the importance to protect sites along the fly-way, enhancement of bird survival for future generations.
3. Eco-tourism development based on bird watching.

Actions	Indicators of success	Resources needed
To distribute the information about bird's migration route (especially in Israel). Conservation of resting areas statutorily.	Printing maps with bird's routs and rest areas. Infrastructure development – signs, observation points, bird watching equipment.	Funds, Specialists, Ornithologists
Design a presentation for key individuals in KKL to ensure a broad based understanding of KKL's role in providing bird habitats	Presentation	Funds and time

Key stakeholders:

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Ministry of Environment	Good cooperation with other authorities and countries	
NRA	Good cooperation with other authorities and countries, Protection of bird biodiversity	
Universities	New topics for research	
Farmers		They will not be able to use their lands, the crop will be endangered
KKL	Good cooperation with other authorities and countries and appreciation of people	
NGOs - SPNI Society Of Protection Nature In Israel,	Protection of bird biodiversity	