### Social participation

## Poison is a problem for all: help us in this fight!



The problem of poisoned baits involves the entire society.

Active participation of municipalities is essential to raise public awareness about the risks of poison for the environment, public health and economy of the regions.

#### What do we offer?

Free services for the members of the three European Networks against Poison:

- Technical advice for the control of predation and farming and hunting management.
- Legal advice.
- Mediation with authorities and stakeholders in finding solutions to conflicts with wildlife.
- Information on grants and subsidies.
- Training courses, dissemination events and promotion of the area.



If you want more information about the European Networks against Poison, or you know any poisoning event, do not hesitate to contact us on:

### Freephone against poison

Spain: 900 8ll 482

Portugal: 800 500 108

Continental Greece: 800 II 0I 0I 0I

Crete: 800 || 02 02 02

Or visit our website:

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Innovation Against Poison





















# Innovation against poison

Working together we all win!

Project LIFE09 NAT/000533 "Innovative actions against illegal poisoning in EU Mediterranean pilot areas"



## Why a LIFE project against poison?

Illegal use of poisoned baits is a serious threat to public health and biodiversity. It is dangerous for people and puts at risk many endangered species. Besides, it involves serious legal consequences for whoever uses them.

Fight against poison is not recent; however, measures carried out so far have revealed the need to work together with affected stakeholders.

The main aim of this international project is to contribute eradicating the illegal use of poison, putting into practice innovative actions which may help stockbreeders, hunters and general public, always counting with their active participation.

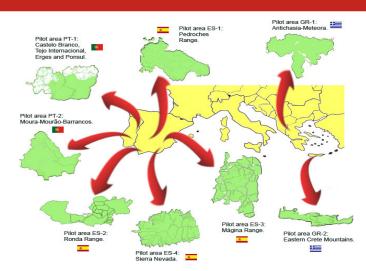


The LIFE programme is the EU's funding instrument for the environment and conservation initiatives.





### What do we do?



The project is being implemented in 8 pilot areas in Spain, Portugal and Greece and which will lead the fight against illegal poisoning at an European level.

### The actions of the project

- Establishment of the three European Networks against poison: European Network of Stockbreeders, Hunters and Municipalities against illegal poisoning.
- Implementation of the European Canine Team.
- Monitoring and evaluation of the use of illegal poisoned baits by means of bioindicator species and results from the canine team.
- Production of technical guides about hunting and farming management and control of damages due to predation.
- Free phone against poison
- Communication actions, awareness raising campaigns and promotion of social participation in municipalities.

## Social participation: the key to success



Extensive stockbreeding is necessary for the conservation of natural areas.

However, lack of profitability, conflicts with predators and the absence of generational shifts, together with the use of bad farming practices may lead into a threat for biodiversity and the farming activity itself.

We work on the root of the problem looking for solutions with the participation of all stakeholders



Good hunting practices are fully compatible with biodiversity and environment conservation. In addition to this, they strengthen local economy.

Nevertheless, bad practices carried out by some individuals contribute to the poor image of the hunters' collective.