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LIFE13 NAT/PL/000038 "Protection of valuable natural habitats in Ponidzie"

Budget:

Overall project budget: 1.161.649 EUR which consist: 50% of EU Contribution, 45% of NFOSiGW contribution, 5% of own funds.

- Duration: 01/06/2014 to 01/12/2018
- Coordinating Beneficiary:
   Swietokrzyskie Voivodeship The Complex of Swietokrzyskie and Nida River Landscape Parks
- Co-beneficiary: National Forests, Pińczów Forest District
- Implementation area: 62,89 ha including 55,19 ha of agriculture area and 7,7 ha of forest area.

















## Project objectives

What we wanted to achieve?

### Main objectives:

- 1. Improvement of the conservation status of valuable Natura 2000 habitats in Ponidzie region;
- 2. Establishment of a **genetic reserve** of the threatened plant species typical for the region ;
- **3. Sheep and goat grazing** as an form of active habitats protection;
- 4. Local community support by **restoring extensive grazing management** and construction of touristic infrastructure;
- **5. Wide education** of children and youth as a part of project sustainability.

















# Biodiveristy related business.

#### Model of cooperation:

- Understanding the needs of farmers and need to develop an economically viable model of sheep and goat breeding;
- Partnership approach to the local community, frequent meetings, talks, empathetic approach to problems that arose during project implementation;
- Supporting farmers in terms of missing competences e.g. creating a brand, promoting it, searching for new sales markets, building cooperation.















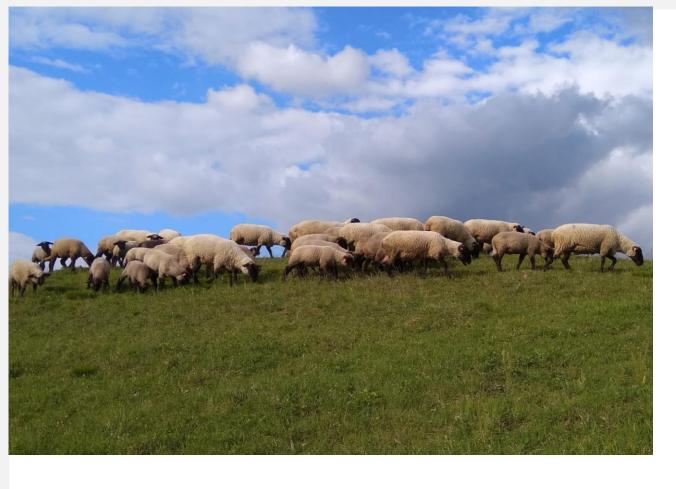












Through project activities, there is a noticeable **development** of a new branch of agricultural activity in Ponidzie region, which is an extensive sheep and goat breeding;

Thanks to the **profitability** of the implemented solutions, farmers systematically develop their farms and expand grazing areas (Natura 2000 sites with valuable habitats);

Inreasing heards of sheep has affected different branches of local businesses like slaughterhouse in Pińczów, which, under the influence of farmers, expanded its activity to include sheeps.

### Effect















