



EUROPEAN RANGER FEDERATION

**Connecting Rangers across Borders
= Multiplying Conservation Skills**

Why Rangers are important also in Europe

From subtle keystone species to large carnivores, from dense forests and floodplains to alpine, grassland and coastal habitats: Also in Europe, Rangers with in-depth knowledge and skills as diverse as the nature they protect bridge the conservation of our natural treasures and integration of human interests, especially in local communities. A massive task. Because just as the use of resources soars, so does the planet's need for untouched ecosystems. Equipping rangers to fulfill their role as voice of nature must therefore be of top priority!

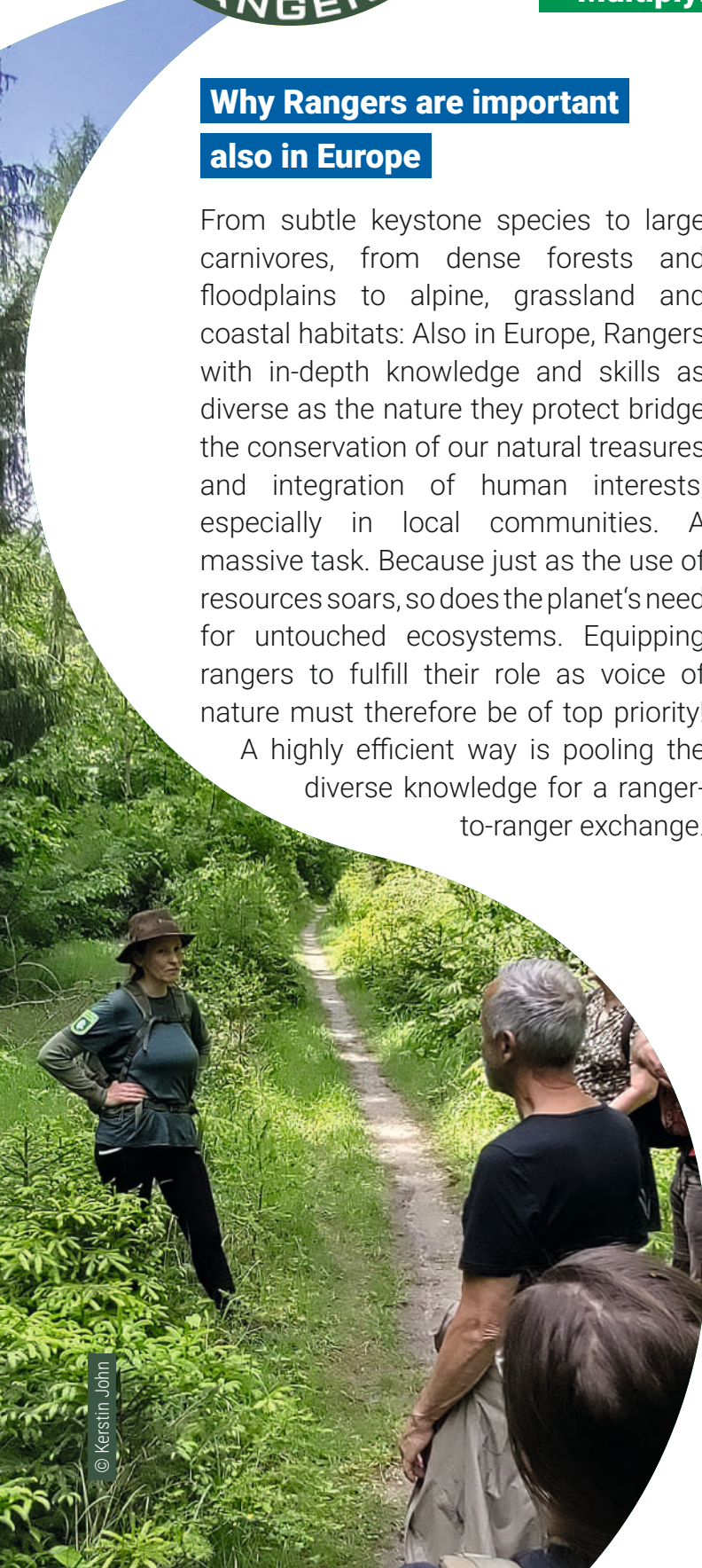
A highly efficient way is pooling the diverse knowledge for a ranger-to-ranger exchange.

European Ranger Congress: Multiplying conservation skills by connecting rangers

Connecting Rangers Across Borders = Multiplying Conservation Skills: This formula proves true at every international ranger exchange. The 6th European Ranger Congress (ERC) is our continent's biggest platform, gathering about 200 Rangers. This year's ERC theme will be 'Rangers – the Voice of Nature: Building a Bridge between Local Communities and Nature Conservation'. Global conservation goals depend on the acceptance of those directly affected: the local population. We will discuss and practice ways to strengthen rangers as bridge builders by integrating local needs, knowledge and heritage into nature conservation.



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How you can help multiplying conservation skills

In terms of time and money, many rangers in Europe do not have sufficient support to join training opportunities like the ERC. Sometimes rangers even barely earn an income to make a living – including countries that are home to the richest natural treasures. You can help to multiply conservation skills on our continent by broad ranger participation at this year's ERC:

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What we do

Our goal: To spread the word that rangers and their crucial work for nature are urgently needed in Europe – and it is society's duty to provide them with adequate resources! The ERF is also networking professional rangers and others involved in the day-to-day management of protected areas, the conservation of wildlife and habitats, visitor safety, education and interpretation, engaging with local communities, law enforcement and anti-poaching activities. We represent more than 5,000 members of more than 40 member associations and have established exchange formats such as twinning partnerships between countries or international training courses. By also supporting the establishment of new associations as well as training and networking individual rangers in need, we reach more than 25,000 rangers on our continent.



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