

📽 GreenGold creates sustainable value with biodiversity project in Romania

As part of the EU's Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) Strategic Plan 2023–2027, GreenGold was accepted for participation in a special EU-funded biodiversity initiative (CAP Measure DR-07). This participation reflects our capability to meet the program's high standards and reinforces our strategy to integrate sustainability into the core of long-term forest asset management.

We have committed over **23,000 hectares** of forests in Romania — comprising oak, beech, and spruce stands across mountainous, hilly, and lowland regions — to enhanced conservation practices that go beyond legal compliance. Importantly, this does not preclude commercial use of the forests through timber harvesting, but introduces some voluntary restrictions and strengthens monitoring and reporting obligations.

Key features of this initiative:

- Biodiversity protection zones established across 20% of the area, where no interventions are carried out—preserving ecological integrity and enhancing long-term carbon storage.
- 2. Robust internal compliance systems to ensure transparent and traceable execution, that can be externally verified.
- 3. Focus on "additionality"—incentivizing actions that exceed baseline legal obligations.

Financially, the program will contribute over EUR 0.5 million annually to GreenGold.

As EU institutions reassess biodiversity financing frameworks, GreenGold is well-positioned to both participate in and benefit from evolving regulatory and funding landscapes.

Our participation places us among the few institutional forest owners in Europe successfully aligning commercial forestry with high-level conservation outcomes. This initiative reflects our view of forests as long-term, living assets—capable of delivering both ecological impact and enduring financial value, while reinforcing GreenGold's role as a forward-looking, sustainability-driven investment platform.

