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<p><b>Jablanica Mt.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology Students' Research Society's field trip</li> <li>• Collection of data on biodiversity</li> <li>• Participation of the Macedonian Lynx Group</li> </ul>	 	


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<p><b>Baseline survey in PA</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interviews with local people (questionnaires)</li> <li>• The first experience in the village of Vevchani</li> <li>• 51 people were interviewed in 15 villages</li> <li>• Large mammals tracks were observed and collected</li> <li>• Further analyzes are given to Robert Janevski in the Mol</li> </ul>	 	



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<p><b>Jablanica Mt.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biodiversity data</li> <li>• “Balkan Green Belt as ecological corridor for bear, lynx and wolf – Jablanica Mt.”</li> <li>• Socio-economic assessment</li> </ul>		

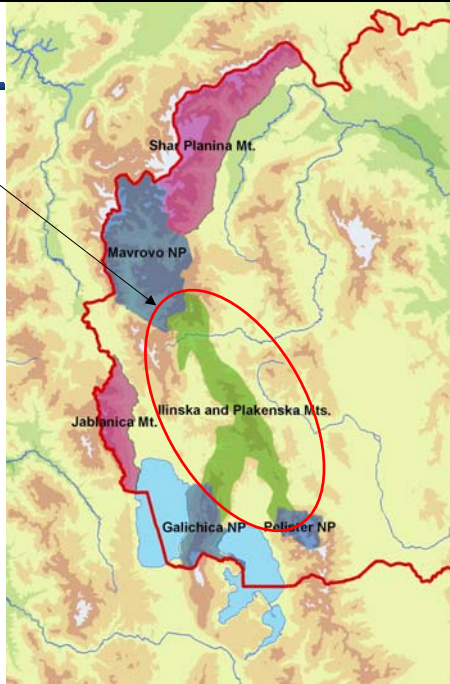
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<p><b>Follow-up</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finish socio-economic assessment</li> <li>• Start of pilot projects</li> <li>• Submission of PA proposal to MoEPP</li> </ul>		


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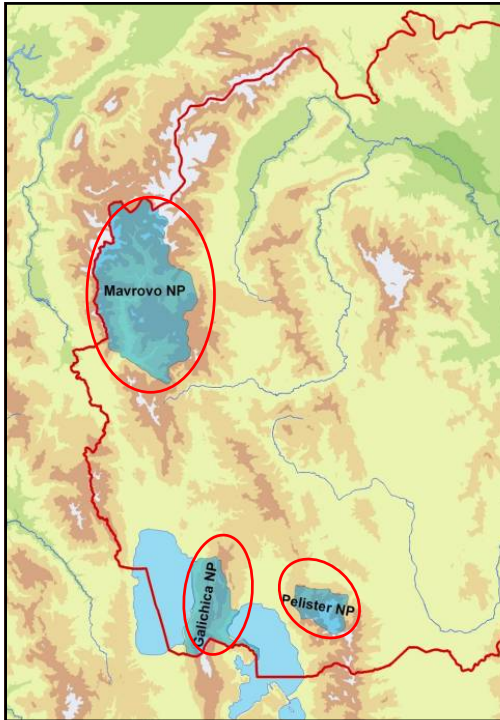
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<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <h2 style="margin: 0;">Follow-up</h2> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Finish the reports</li> <li>Complete the data base</li> <li>Socio-economic status information</li> <li>Production of booklet</li> <li>Production of tourist map</li> </ul> </div> <div style="width: 50%; text-align: right;">     </div> </div>		

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<p><b>Ilinska-Plakenska Mts.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Important biocorridors</li> <li>• “Macedonian” Green Belt</li> <li>• Low human population density and minimal infrastructure</li> <li>• Relief and high percent of well-preserved forest coverage</li> </ul>		

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<p><b>Ilinska-Plakenska Mts.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evaluation of the natural characteristics</li> <li>• Submit a proposal - value as a biocorridor</li> <li>• Raise public awareness</li> <li>• Possible benefits</li> </ul>		

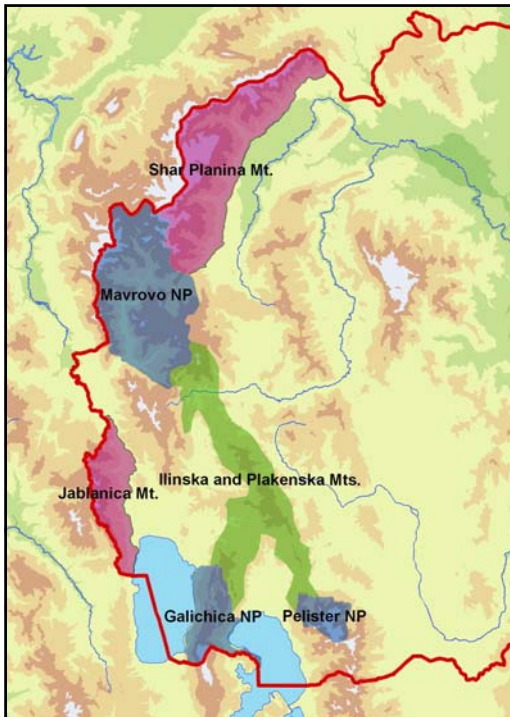
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## Conclusions

- Mavrovo NP
- Galichica NP
- Pelister NP



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- Interconnected network of large PAs
- High natural value that can be conserved
- Clear potential for long-term sustainable use  
..... if we act now