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Abstract: Important areas extend in the Western Balkan region, shared between Albania, Montenegro, Kosovo, North Macedonia and Greece; they are well-known hotspots of biodiversity; i.e. Sharri/Scardus/Korab-Koritnik and Bjeshket e Nemuna/Prokletije/Albanian Alps, Shkodra/Skadar, Ohrid & Prespas Lakes,

Vjosa/Aoos River, etc. These transboundary ecosystems, mountainous massifs, lakes and rivers are biodiversity hotspots for the whole of Europe. The species and habitat density is evidently high if compared with the data of the countries in SE Europe. But the political borders divide them into 2-3 parts, often with different approach and rules in nature protection, different use of their resources. An overview of their biodiversity values (i.e. species richness) and human impact will be discussed here. Our main wish and stirring up would be towards a common transboundary protection and management. Permanent common efforts would help better in preserving their values as unique ecosystems in space and time. The transboundary PAs can serve as bridges of cooperation, whether in research and in their protection and restoration measures. Here, it is crucial the European Union's policy towards the Western Balkans in the Stabilization and Association Process (SAP) of their eventual EU membership. Therefore, our appeal is addressed not only to the respective local communities and governments, but also to the European Commission and related EU institutions stressing the importance of the EU membership for all these cross-border ecosystems.

Keywords: Western Balkan; Transboundary PAs; biodiversity hotspots; Transboundary protection and management; EU integration

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