

LIFE Elia-RTE project  
LIFE 10/NAT/BE/709 :

Alternative vegetation management  
in favour of biodiversity  
in forest corridors of HT and THT lines  
in Belgium and in France



LIFE Elia-RTE  
Restitution conference  
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## 1. Genesis of the project and basic concept





## 2. Project editing

### 1. LIFE + Biodiversity

\* Inside and outside Natura 2000



### 2. LIFE + Biodiversity

\* innovative

### 3. LIFE + Biodiversity

\* European dimension





## 2. Project editing



**Budget : 2,5 M € → 3,2 M €**



36 %

25 %

24 %

15 %

39 %



**Duration : 09/2011 – 08/2016 → 12/2017**

**Team : 6 → 7 (5,2 ETP)**

28 sites in **Belgium**

7 sites in **France**





## 2. Project editing

Beneficiary coordinator of the project : a company

Associated beneficiary : a company

Location of the project team: 2 NGO



Investment level of the two companies:

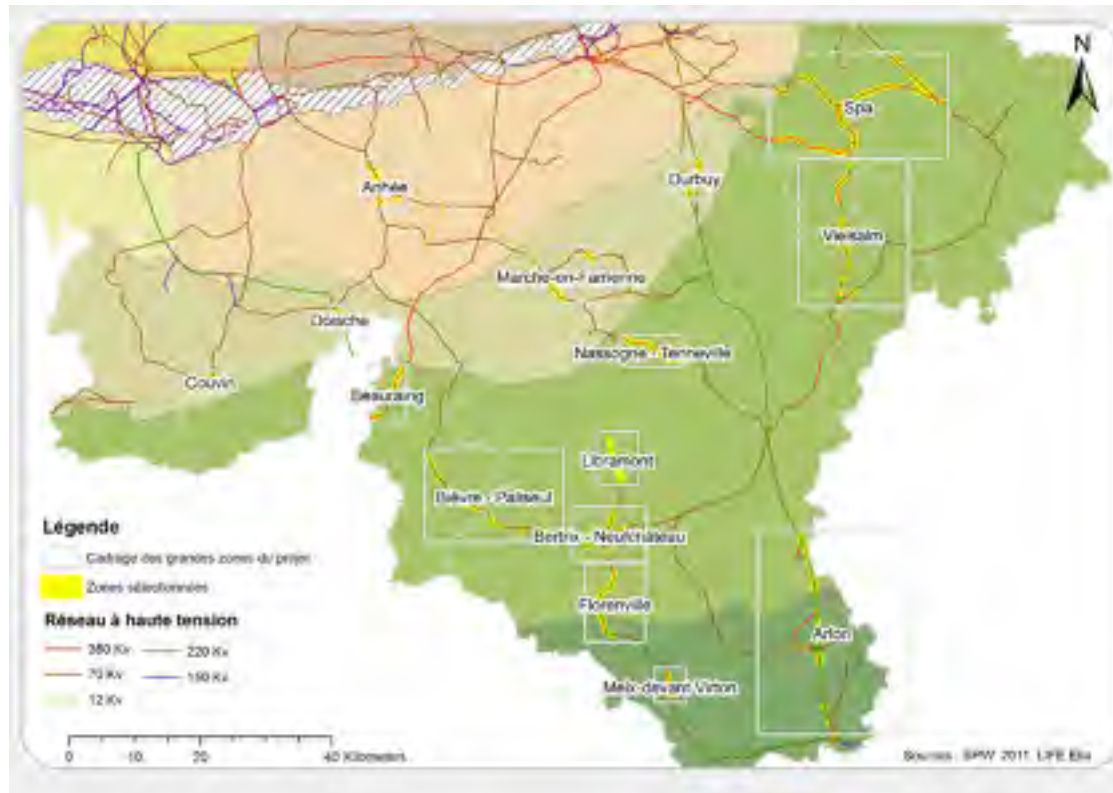
Elia : 18,02 %      RTE : 4,35 %      =      22,37 %



Elia : 24,05 %      RTE : 14,77 %      =      38,82 %



### 3. Initial location of the project





#### 4. Begining of the project



Initial report (after 6 months)

Request for additional sites  
< DNF (forestry administration)  
< Landowners  
< Elia

agreement of the European Commission



## 5. Project team





## 5. Project team : geographically dispersed





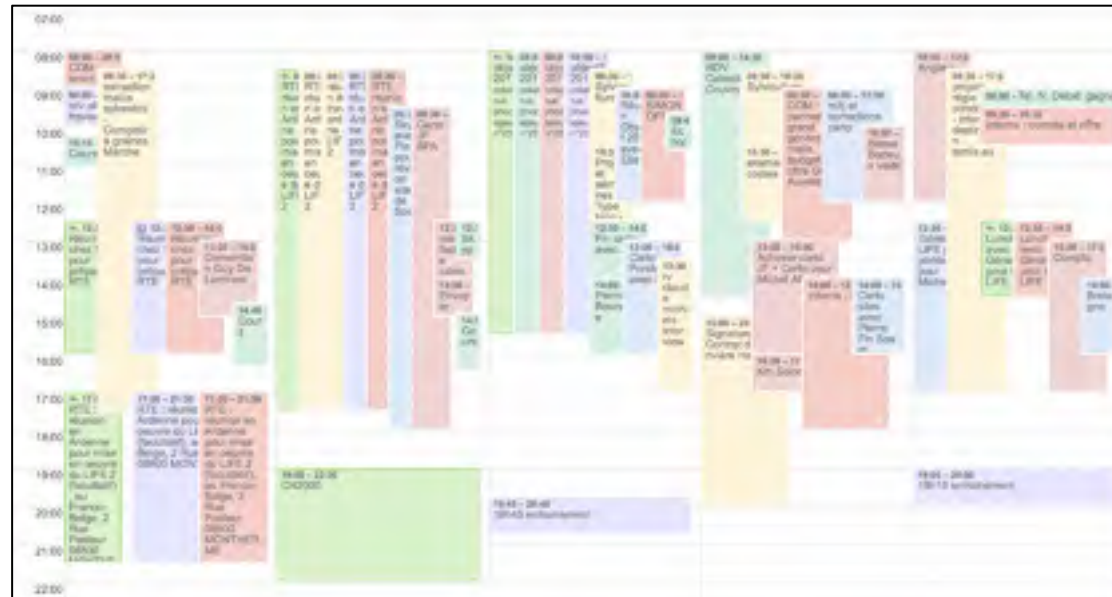
## 6. How the team works ?



Communication management



Time management





## 7. Project stakeholder network



### **Landowners**

50 municipalities, landowners under powerlines = municipal deliberation

220 private landowners contacted for agreement

### **Forest managers**

DNF territorial administration

8 regional directions

24 local directions

81 forest yard

### **Rurality stakeholder in France**

3 Regional nature parks

ONF (forestry administration)

1 departmental federation of hunter

2 National nature reserves

10 Municipalities

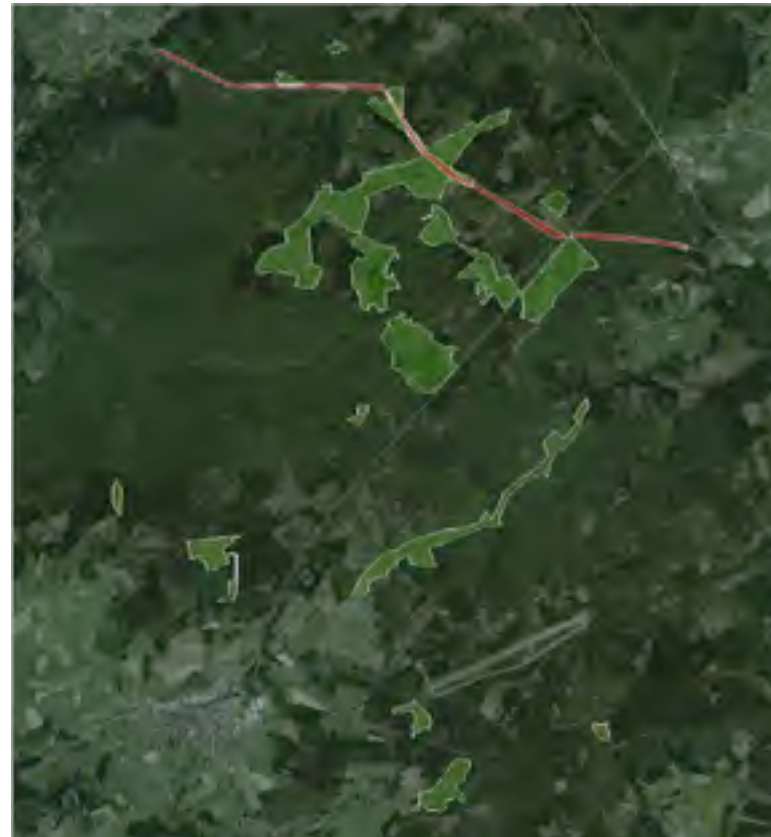
80 private landowners





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### Interactions with other LIFE projects





- 8. Restoration actions (C) in Walloon Region and in France

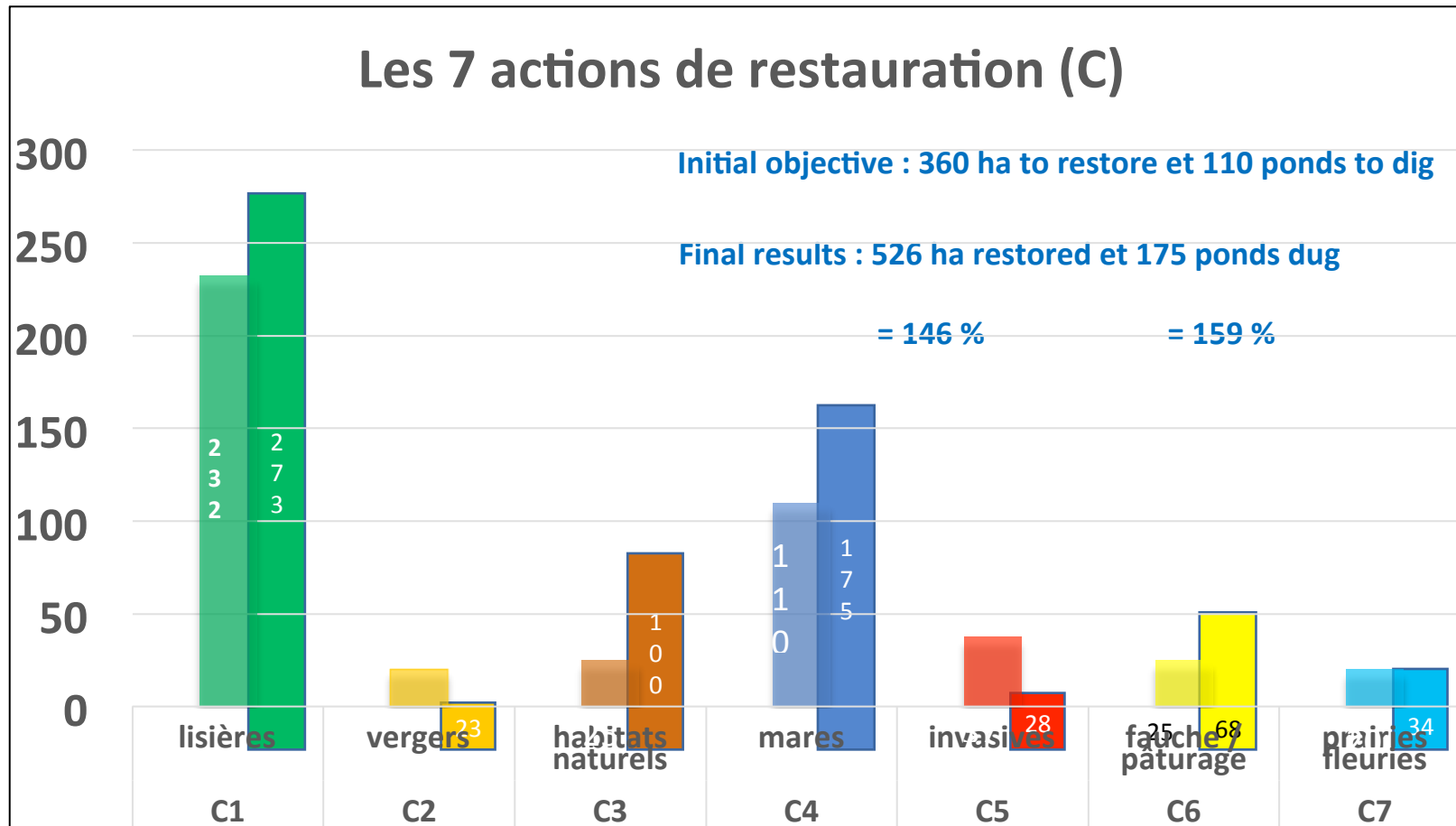


275.500 forest seedlings  
21.000 fruit trees





- 8. Restoration actions (C) in Walloon Region and in France





## 9. Communication - Trainings



127 News = 1,7 per month



## 10. European networking



17 countries visited

CIGRE  
Entso-e  
CEE  
CILB  
ITTECOP  
International land  
conservation network  
Best grid  
IENE  
REN  
RGI

Request from Chile



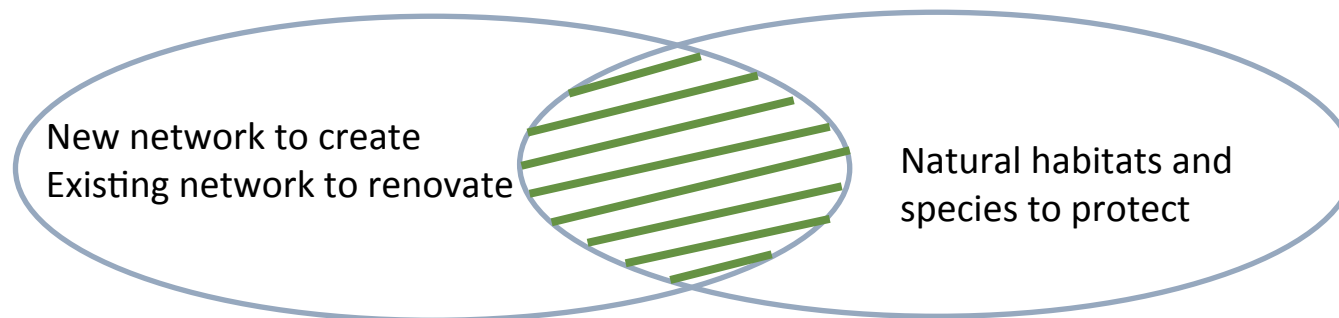
## 11. Prospect

### DG Energy

20% of renewable energy

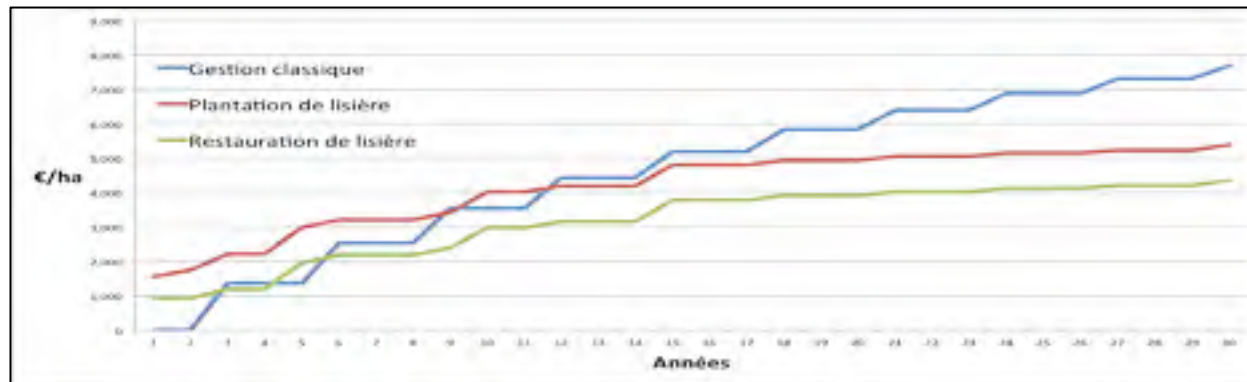
### DG Environment

Natura 2000  
Green infrastructures





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Cost – benefit analysis



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Capitalization of the team's expertise

Extension of LIFE methods to GRT (Elia, RTE, others)

Thinking about issues of DG energy – DG environment for GRT : how to combine those targets ?



thanks for your attention

