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High Nature Value farmland “Traditional Agriculture for Nature – European Recognition of Southern and Eastern Europe Landscape”

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Mehedinti, 15-16th of October 2007

Day 1	
Introduction to the meeting: Chair – WWFDCP	
10:00	Brief introduction to the meeting, its aims, organisers & founders - chair
10:10	How the High Nature Value concept fits into international agreements - chair
10:30	Introduction to European level work developing the HNV farmland concept - EFNCP
11:00	Examples of HNV systems from a EU region - EFNCP
11:30	General discussion
12:00	<i>Lunch</i>
13:30	Introduction to the field trip – Raluca Barbu
13:45-18:00	Field trip to area of HNV farmland, aiming to visiting two farms (Strehaia and Cazanesti) and other important sites for traditional practices from Mehedinti County – (participants + organisers + experts)
19:30	<i>Dinner</i>
Day 2	
Review of local HNV farmland types - report by local experts	
10:00	Presentation of the report on biodiversity (focus on e.g. wider European significance of habitat, or notable species) - Ms. Sorina Mataca
10:30	Presentation of the report on agriculture – Mr. Dragos Ispasoiu
11:00	Discussion
11:30	<i>Coffee</i>
Socio-economic realities	
12:00	Presentation of possible threats to HNV farming systems at local level
12:30	Presentation of possible opportunities to HNV farming systems –Mr. Dumitru Dragos (OJCA Mehedinti)
13:00	Discussion
13:30	<i>Lunch</i>
Policy opportunities and initiatives	
14:30-17:00	Interactive session with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation of each current and planned CAP instrument to be implemented in the area - Discussion of how the measures and methods of implementation proposed address the needs of the local HNV farmland – are they appropriate? - Presentation by NGOs of other possible approaches/measures - Raluca Barbu - Discussion on a list of proposed suggestions for improvement of the RDP or of the underlying EU legislation
17:00	End