

Session 03. Managing conflicts between farming and wildlife

# Problems and experience with predators in sheep and goat production in Slovenia

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# Slovenia has 3 large predators



Bear

Lynx



Crew (Corvus corax)



Wolf



# **Predators territory** Raztinjenostrica v Devendi (priségno po ELDK) bazi) Audienost mau Cinonden ginlagodeno po £106 Naz



## Management approaches



STRICT PROTECTION

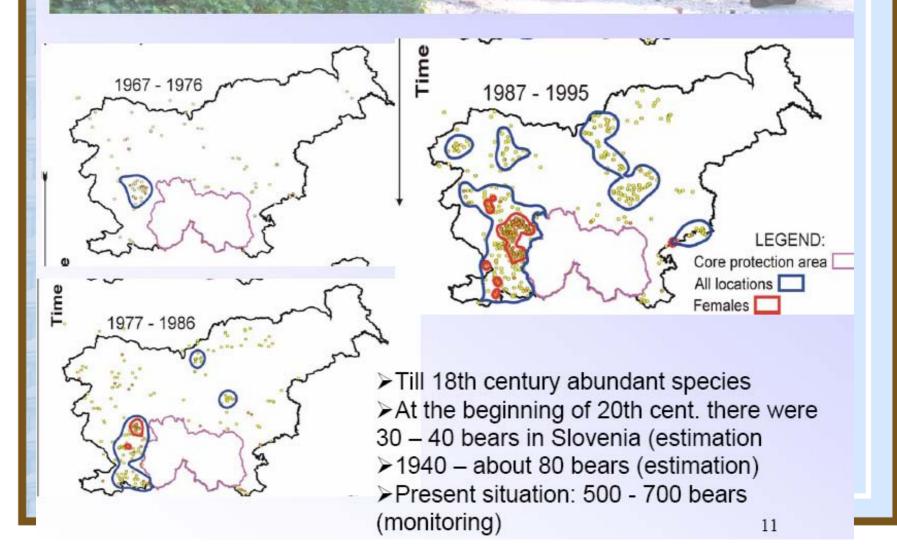


STRICT PROTECTION + EXCEPTIONAL MEASURES



STRICT
PROTECTION
+
MANAGEMENT

# Brown bear spatial extension 1976 - 1995





### Transposition of EU legislation

Habitats directive

Nature

Conservation Act

Decree on the protection of wild animal species

Decree on special conservation areas NATURA 2000

Rules on taking of the specimens of brown bear (Ursus arctos) from the wild

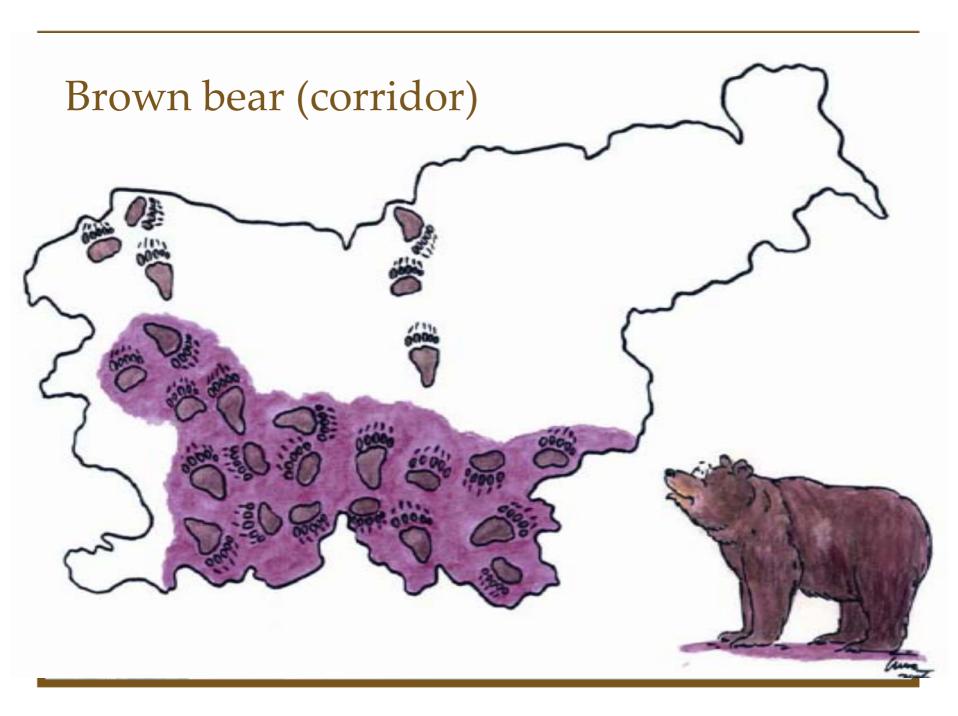
Legislation on impact assessment of plans and projects on brown bear (Ursus arctos)

## Brown bear (*Ursus arctos*) Management Strategy in Slovenia (2002)

The aims of the strategy are:

- \* long-term conservation of the brown bear species in Slovenia, including its habitat and
- \* ensuring coexistence of humans and bears.

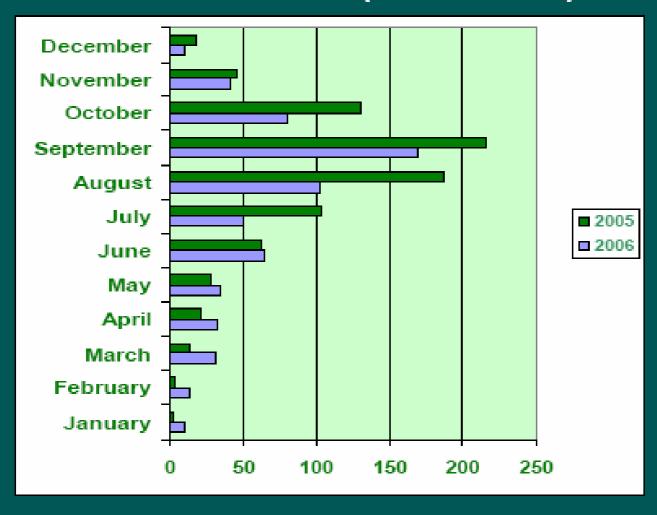








# ANALYSIS OF DAMAGES BROWN BEAR (Ursus arctos)





#### NATIONAL LEGISLATION

- Nature Conservation Act
  - provide the right to compensation
  - to estimate damages of the SFS
  - MESP, EARS makes the final decision on whether the damage must be compensated or not



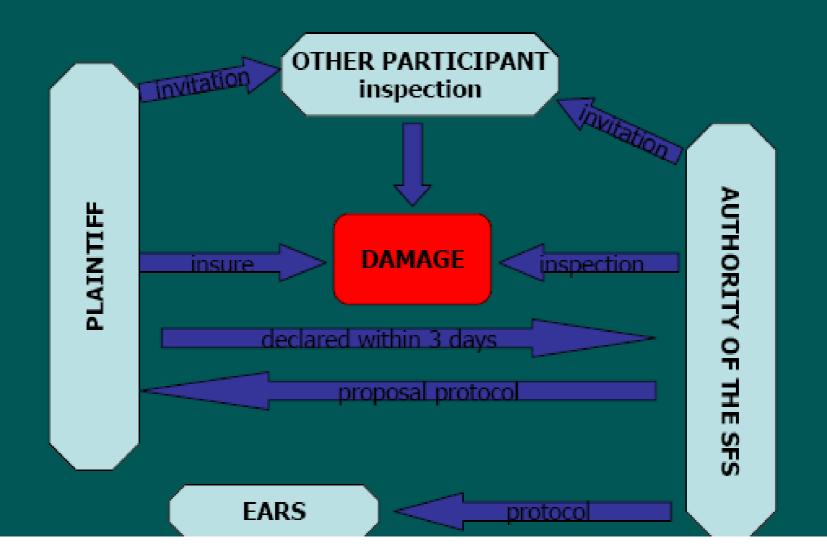
#### NATIONAL LEGISLATION

- Wild Game and Hunting Act
  - define compensation procedure

- Instruction MESP
  - define correct treatment
  - · forms (protocol, agreement, application)
  - pay scale (statistical data, expert opinion)

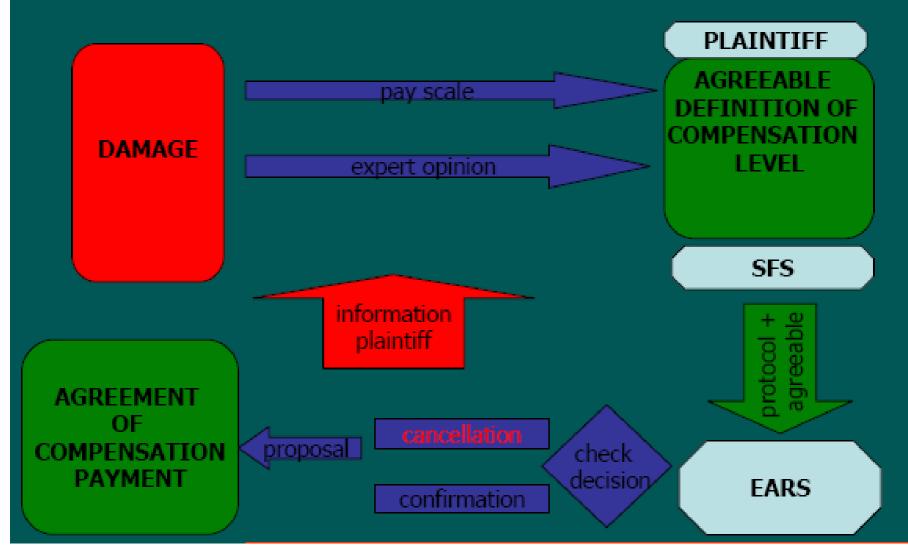


#### **COMPENSATION PROCEDURE**



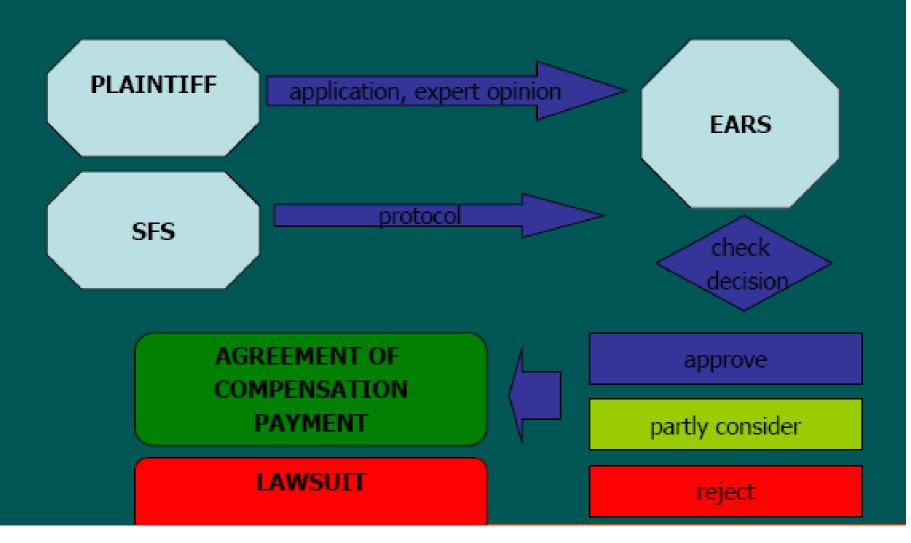


#### AGREEABLE DEFINITION OF COMPENSATION LEVEL





# CLAIM ON THE BASIS OF APPLICAION AND EXPERT OPINION



## Damages in year 2006 (Livestock)

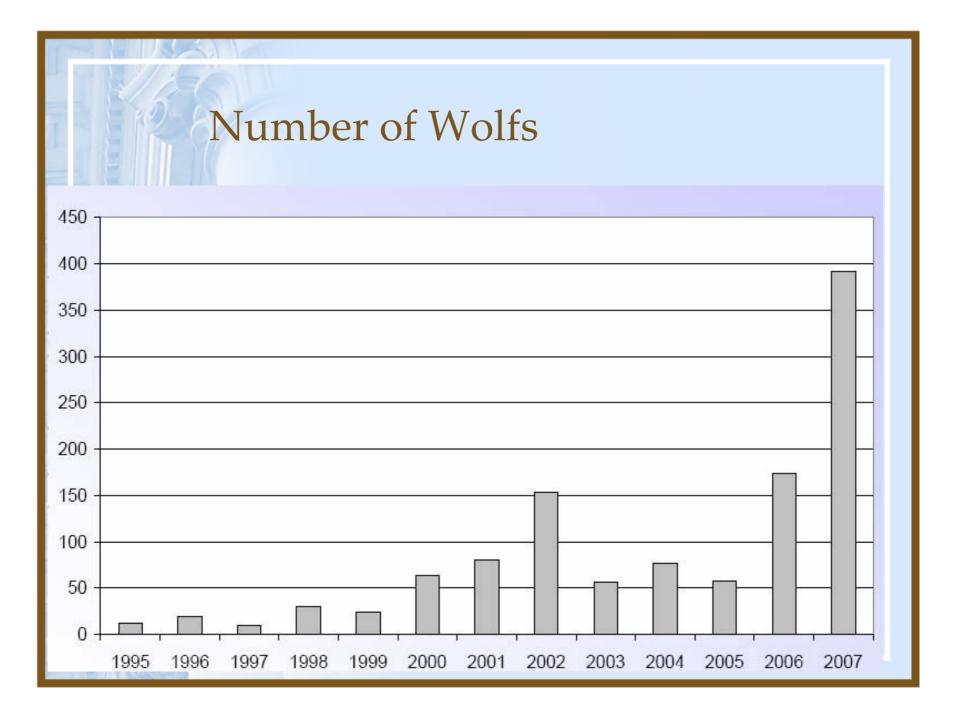
Species	Number attacks	Damage reimb. €
Brown bear	588	145.098
Wolf	164	87.745
Lynx	16	3.280
Crew	185	39.380
Total	953	275.503

# Damages in year 2007 (Livestock)

Protected species	No. Attacks	No. Approved	No. Rejected	Approved money (EUR)
Brown bear	325	294	31	81.866
Wolf	394	356	38	203.636
Lynx	8	7	1	1.161
Crew (raven)	291	17	1	52.640
Total	1018	674	71	339.304

## Attacks 2006/2007

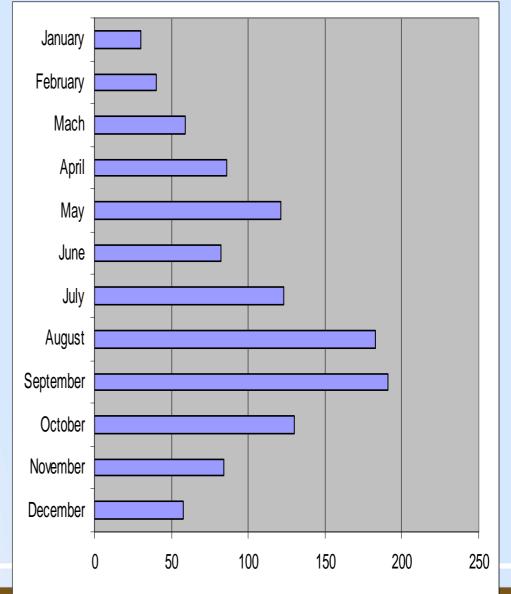
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Attacks by Months (all sp.)

January	30
February	40
Mach	59
April	86
May	121
June	82
July	123
August	183
September	191
October	130
November	84
December	58
Total	1187

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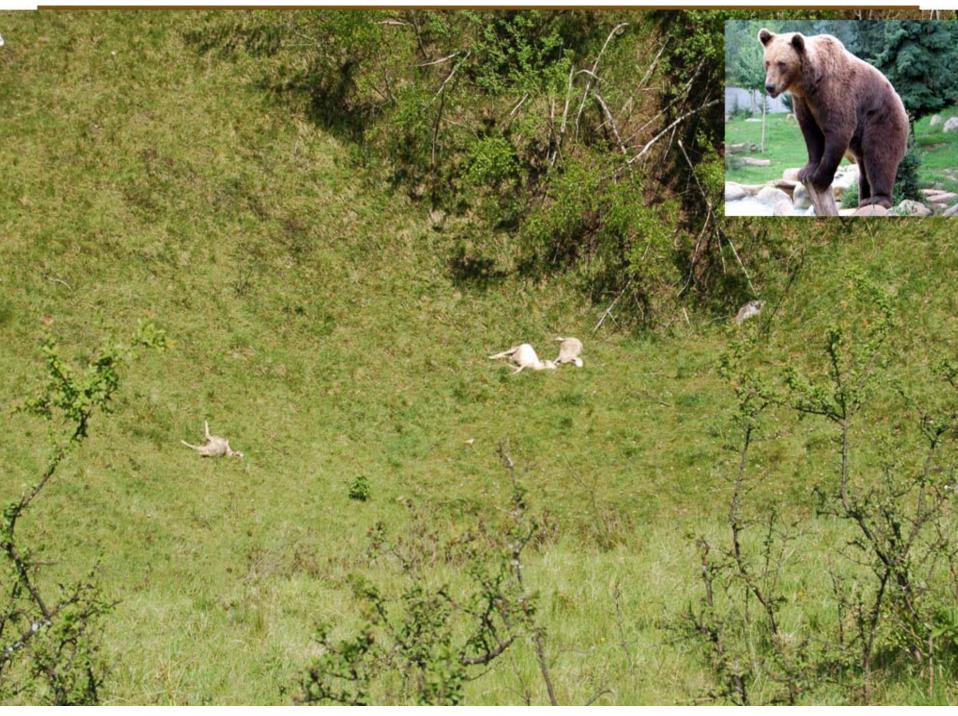














### Animal protection methods

Fence and stable

Massive permanent fence

Temporary electric fence

Permanent electric fence

Massive permanent fence with electric fence

Stable and the pasture

Fence and guard dog on the pasture

Shepherd or workman

Donkeys on pasture

Some other methods (illegally - archery, guns....)

All species of livestock are susceptible to predation, especially young animals, but sheep and goats suffer most





# Thank you





