



CASE STUDIES - ESPC Target 5

Protection of 50% of the most important areas for plant diversity assured by 2010

IPAs in the Kemerovo Region of the Altai-Sayan Eco-Region of the Russian Federation

GSPC Target 5 (ESPC targets 1.4-5; 2.1-3; 2.14)

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Cypripedium macranthon and *Erythronium sibiricum* (Pics. Galina Pronkina. IUCN Russia)

Description

Context The mountainous Altai-Sayan region is one of the most diverse in Russia, containing 334 endemic and 600 sub-endemic plant species, 76 are in the Russian red book. However current legislation and practice are not delivering plant conservation in this globally important region. The aim of this project is to improve plant conservation by developing an effective plant conservation strategy, improving site protection, and sustainable use of wild plant resources by engaging the main stakeholders (national and regional administration, local government, protected area managers, civil society organisations (e.g. NGOs, local traders, and the regional scientific community)

The overall goal of the project is to ensure long-term conservation and sustainable management of the wild plants in the globally significant region of biodiversity in the Russian part of the Altai-Sayan Ecoregion. The project goal also is strengthening institutional and legal measures for protection of endangered plant species through Regional Strategy for Plant Conservation development.

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