

What is ELBARN?

ELBARN is the European Livestock Breeds Ark and Rescue Net: a network of farms, centres, parks, open air museums as well as people and organisations that work towards on farm/in situ conservation of European rare and indigenous livestock breeds.

ELBARN was launched as a three year, NGO lead, concerted action, co-funded by the European Commission. The project began in 2007.

The aim of the first, three year phase has been to network actors and to locate potential Ark and Rescue Centres throughout Europe. Additionally, work groups were formed to address specific subjects, such as disease legislation or marketing opportunities.

A series of workshops, a questionnaire and numerous fact-finding activities have provided the basis of the project.


Ark and Rescue Centres will:

- keep core breeding groups
- offer help with breeding management
- be open to the public
- offer emergency places for genetically important livestock



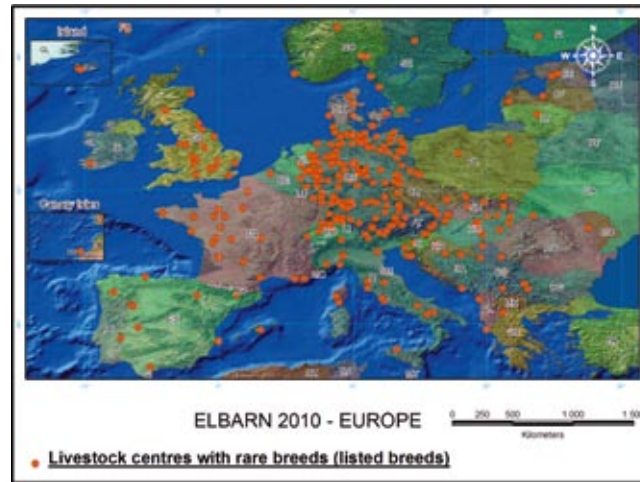
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Network of Ark Centres

The Ark Centres are listed in an online, searchable database that is available for any one who is interested. They can be seen on www.elbarn.net



Map showing the location of Ark Centres in Europe.

At the Ark Centres it is possible to see local livestock breeds. Some Ark Centres offer additional facilities such as accommodation, a farm shop, school visits etc.



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Outcomes

ELBARN Guidelines:

a set of guidelines that can be used by Ark and Rescue Centres. The guidelines cover the subjects of Rescue and Disease, Ark and Rescue Centres, Conservation Breeding and Marketing of Products and Services.

Workshop Results:

all the presentations plus photos and other documents from the five workshops held.

Questionnaire Report:

a short report which sets out the main results of the ELBARN fact-finding questionnaire.

Area Action Plans:

for four areas of Europe, Action Plans set out the needs and requirements to carry the ELBARN project into the future.

ELBARN Brochure:

a comprehensive brochure that explains what agrobiodiversity is and why it is endangered. The brochure is complete with many examples, case studies, pictures, maps and contact points.

www.elbarn.net

Further information

An **Ark Centre** is open to the public and shows a range of local livestock breeds. Ark Centres can also offer facilities for schools, sell farm produce or have accommodation.

A **Rescue Centre** has free space for genetically important animals that may need emergency placement.

For more information or to register an Ark or Rescue Centre, please use the form below or see the ELBARN website for national contact points.

- I wish to register a new Ark Centre
- I wish to register a new Rescue Centre
- I am sending information about an organisation
- I would like to have more information about ELBARN

Address/Question:

Send to:

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Who are the ELBARN Partners?

EURONATUR EuroNatur: The European Nature Heritage Fund – EuroNatur is a non-profit foundation which stands up for the conservation of the European natural heritage.

www.euronatur.org



SAVE Foundation: The SAVE Foundation acts as a European umbrella for organisations concerned with the conservation of agrobiodiversity.

www.save-foundation.net



The Society for the Conservation of Old and Endangered Livestock Breeds (GEH): GEH works practically for the conservation of traditional breeds in Germany.

www.g-e-h.de



SLE: Steunpunt Levend Erfgoed has been dedicated for almost twenty years to the preservation of the local breeds of agricultural animals and poultry in Belgium.

www.SLE.be



RARE: (Razze Autoctone a Rischio di Estinzione) is the association for conservation of local and endangered Italian domestic breeds for their scientific, cultural, economic and environmental value.

www.associazionerare.it



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