## Achievements, success stories and lessons learned of the Aquatic warbler conservation

## Introduction to the "Baltic Aquatic Warbler" project

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Securing sustainable farming to ensure globally threatened bird
 species in agrarian landscape

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Budget: $\mathbf{2 . 3} \mathbf{~ m l n}$. Euro; 71\% funding intensity from LIFE+ Nature, 25\% Lithuania MoE

- Habitat restoration (~1300 ha);
- Monitoring and research;
- Establishing agri-environmental shceme;
- Involvement of local community and communication.


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goldengrass



## Stories of the project areas: Tulkiaragė



## Stories of the project areas: Šyša



## Stories of the project areas: Žuvintas



## Stories of the project areas: Lake Pape



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Removal of old vegetation Elimination of reeds

Type of habitat restoration performed


Scientific monitoring data along to the restoration activities


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Aquatic warbler population dynamics in Lithuania

## Establishing preconditions for the habitat maintenance



## Design of agri-environmental measure for AW conservation




Demonstration facility for biomass processing

Ensuring "favorable conservation" status of local farmers


## Working with farmers and local community

- Dialogue meetings and social events;
- Study visits;
- Publications;
- Direct negotiations to ensure late mowing in AW breeding sites
- Practical conservation contracts


Awareness raising and communication



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