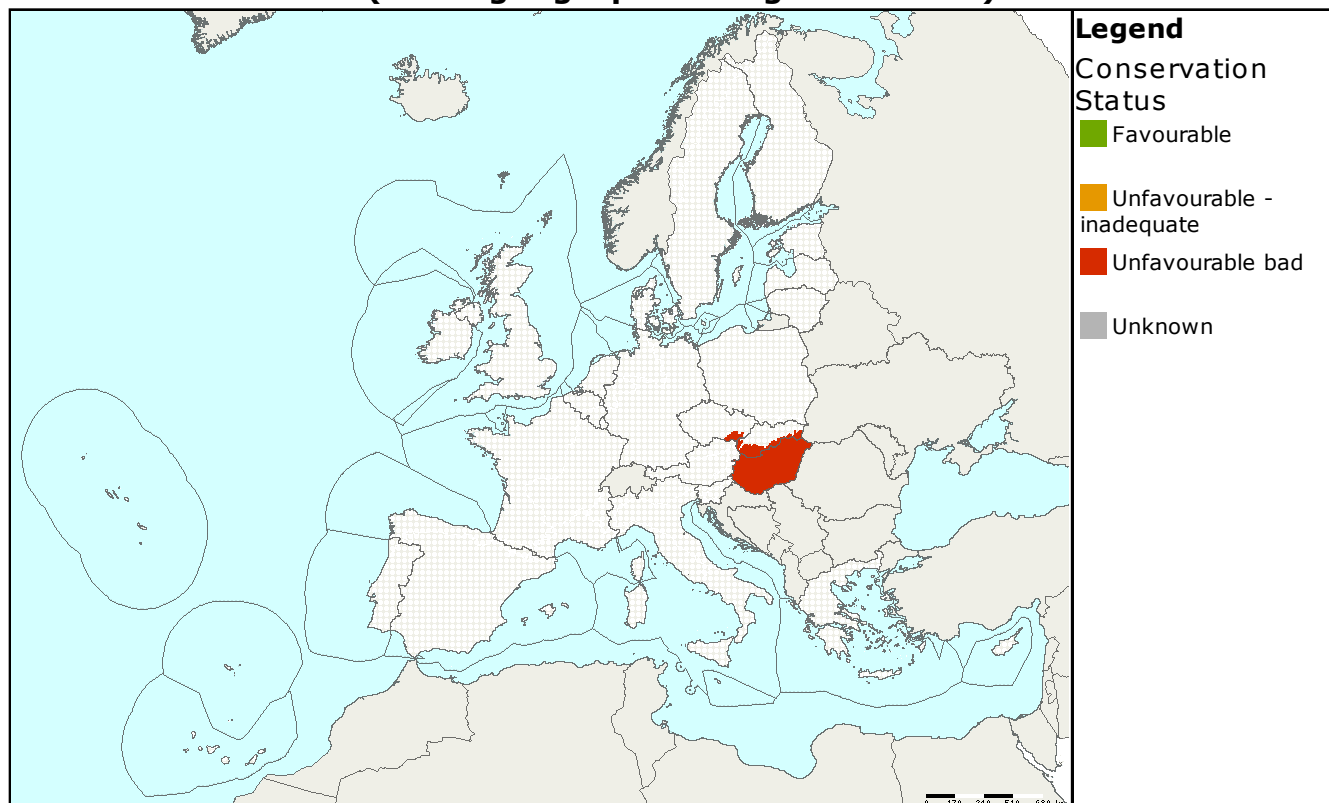


Species name: **Vipera ursinii rakosiensis**
Annex: **II***

Species group: **Amphibians & Reptiles**
Regions: **PAN**

Assessments of conservation status at the European level (all biogeographical regions - EU25)

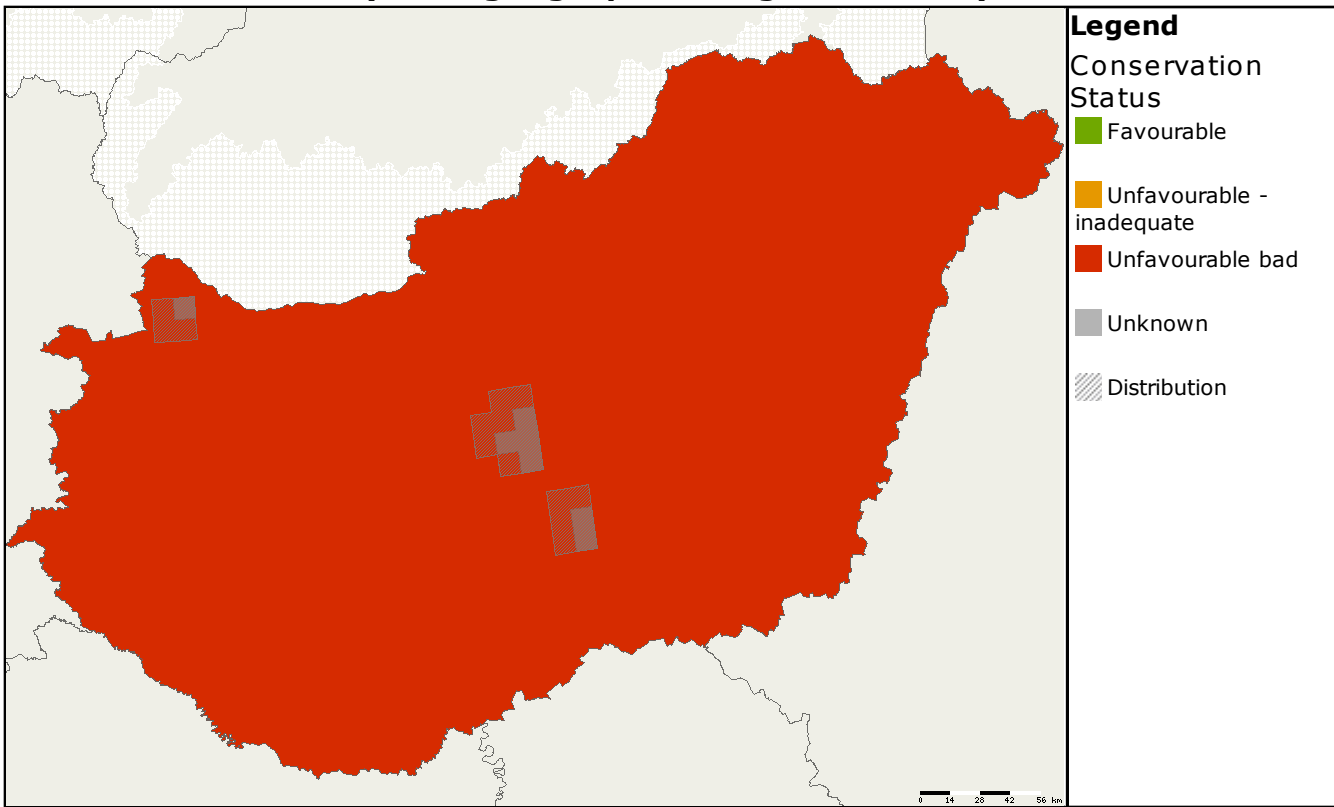


MS	Region	Conservation status assessment					Population size & unit	Population Trend
		Range	Population	Habitat	Future prospects	Overall		
EU25	PAN						500 indiv.	-

The Hungarian meadow viper, a sub-species of the meadow viper, is endemic to the Carpathian basin. Within the EU it also occurs in Romania. It is a grassland species, inhabiting mainly steppic grasslands.

It was reported only from the Pannonian biogeographical region. The conservation status is 'unfavourable bad', the range and population size are decreasing and both are much lower than favourable. The population size is only 500 individuals. Presently it occurs only in two isolated populations. In general the species has been on the decline in Hungary, mainly as a result of destruction of its habitats. The LIFE project focusing on the Hungarian meadow viper is in place.

**Assessments of conservation status as reported by Member states
(all biogeographical regions - EU25)**



MS	Region	Conservation status assessment					Size&unit	Population trend	Data quality
		Range	Population	Habitat	Future prospects	Overall			
HU	PAN	Unfavourable bad	Unfavourable bad	Unfavourable - inadequate	Unfavourable - inadequate	Unfavourable bad	500 - 500 indiv.	-	2

Data quality is based on an assessment by each Member State, 1 = good, 2 = medium, 3 = poor

This information is derived from the Member State national reports submitted to the European Commission under Article 17 of the Habitats Directive in 2007 and covering the period 2001-2006. More detailed information is available at <http://biodiversity.eionet.europa.eu/article17>