



Ecological connectivity in the EU Green Deal and Biodiversity Strategy 2030

Expectations towards the Member States re. implementation and coherence across the borders

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Biodiversity in crisis in the EU

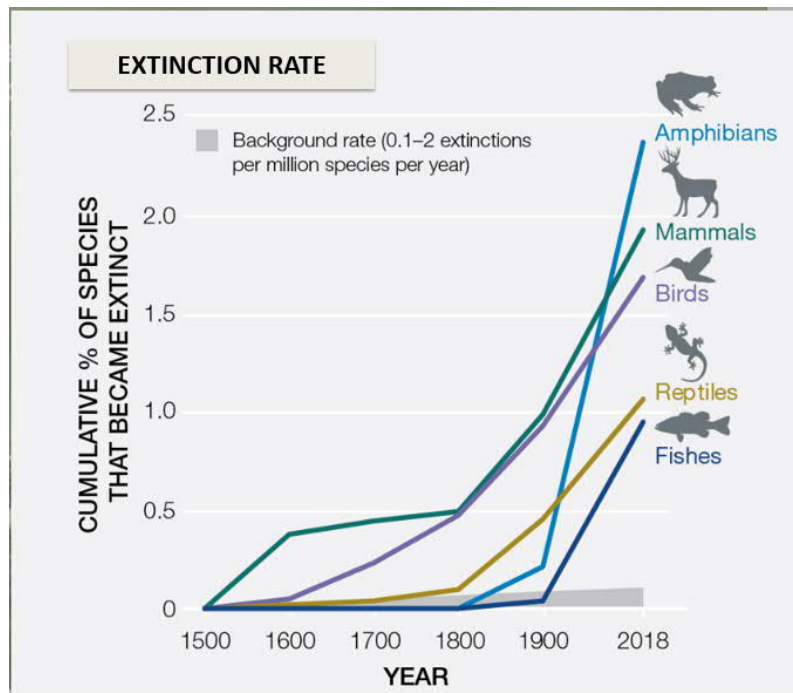


Figure 3.4 Conservation status of habitats at EU level

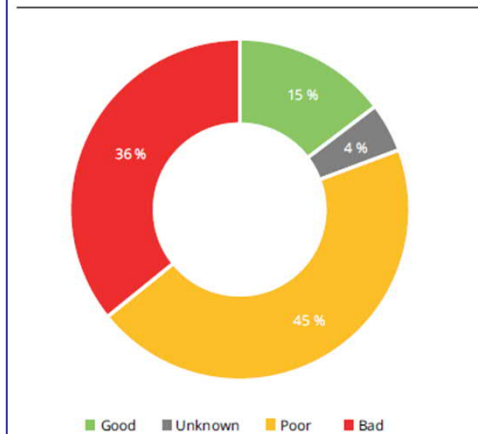
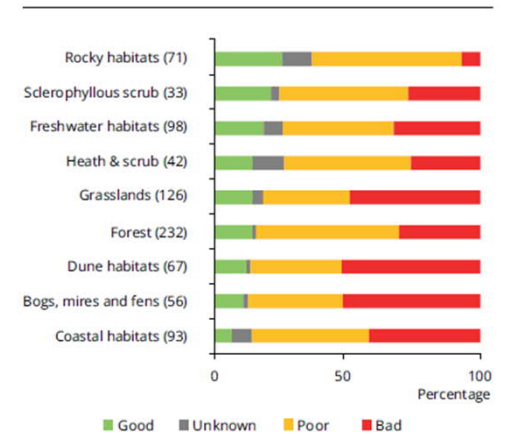
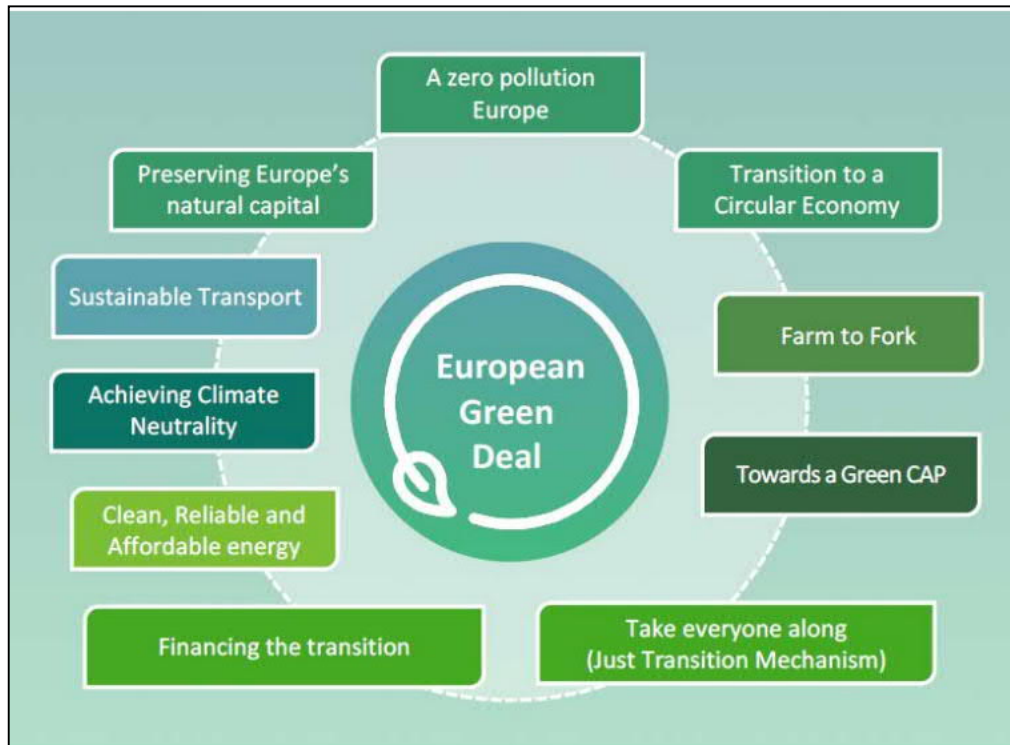


Figure 3.5 Conservation status per habitat group at the EU level





EU response



Elements of the EU Biodiversity Strategy



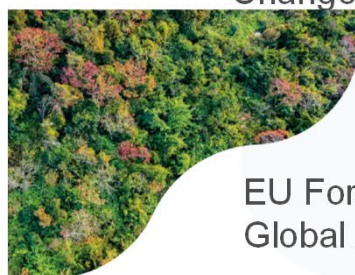
Protect Nature



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Restore Nature



EU For An Ambitious
Global Agenda



Protect Nature



Protect 30% of EU land and sea

- Based on Natura 2000 and nationally designated areas
- EU wide target, take into account specific situation in MS
- Integrate **ecological corridors** to build coherent network →
specific reference to the role to **cross-border cooperation**
(green and blue infrastructure) within ETC



Strictly protect a third of these areas

- Covering areas of very high biodiversity value & important for mitigation and adaptation to climate change, including all primary and old growth forest



Restore Nature



EU Restoration Plan with 2030 commitments :

- ✓ Legally binding targets
- ✓ No deterioration of any protected habitats and species by 2030:
trend to be positive for at least 30%
- ✓ Agroecology: Organic farming >25%
- ✓ Biodiverse landscape features >10%
- ✓ 50% reduction of use and risk of pesticides
- ✓ Reduction of pollution from fertilisers by 50% and by 20% their use
- ✓ Plant 3 billion additional trees respecting ecological principles
- ✓ Reverse decline in pollinators
- ✓ Restore 25,000km free flowing rivers



Nature Restoration Regulation: structure

Overarching objective

Restoration targets

Implementation framework

National
Restoration Plans

Monitoring and
Reporting



Overarching objective

- By 2030 → restoration measures will cover 20% of EU's land and sea
- By 2050 → measures in place for ALL ecosystems in need of restoration

Restoration targets

Protected
Habitat Types
(Annex I HD)



Habitats of
protected
species (BHD)



Marine
Habitats
(beyond HD)



Urban
ecosystems



River
connectivity



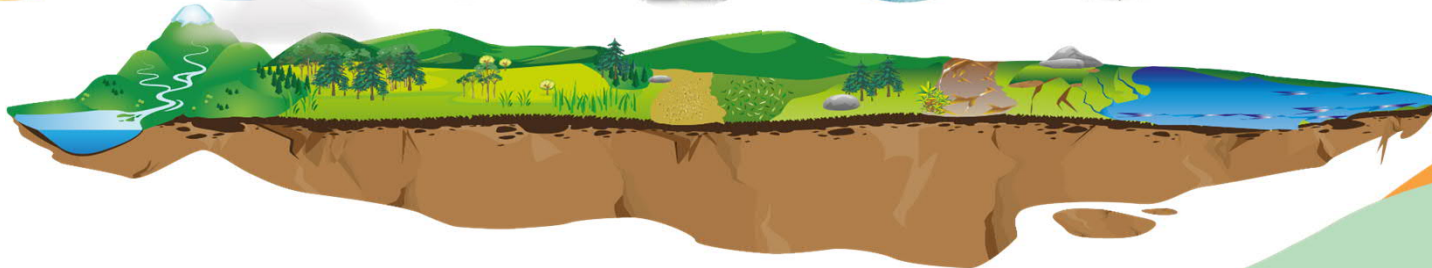
Pollinators



Agro-
ecosystems



Forest
ecosystems



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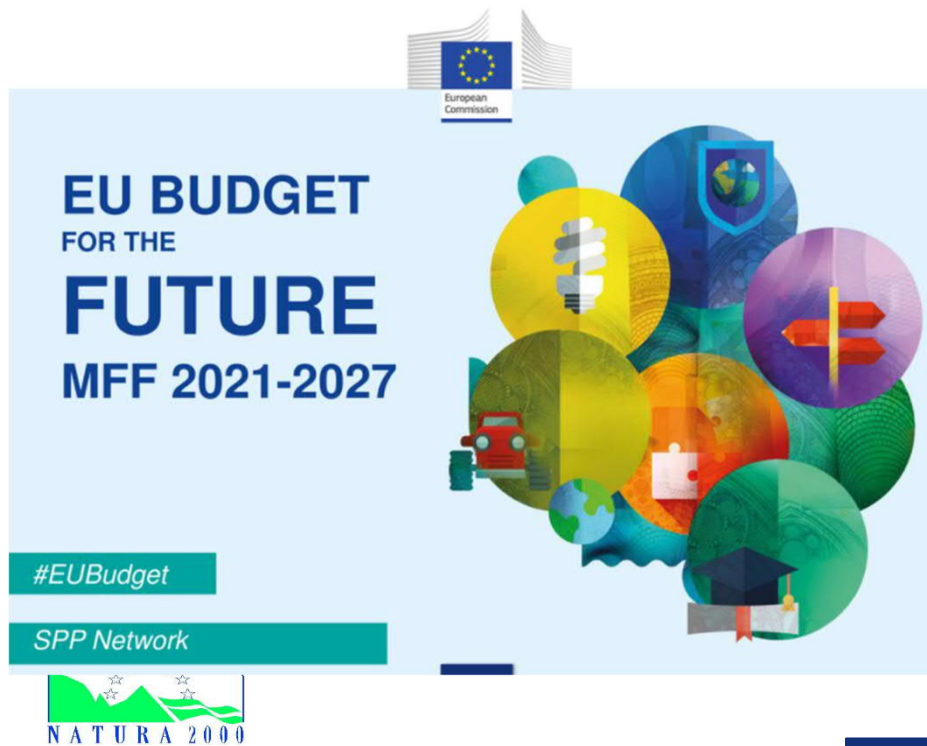


- Unlocking financing
- Business engagement
- Knowledge, education
- Promotion of Nature-Based Solutions





EU funding for nature MFF 2021-2027



Next Generation EU 2021-2023	Temporary reinforcement € 750 billion
Multiannual Financial Framework 2021-2027	€ 1 074.3 billion

min. 7,5% (2024)
min. 10% (2026) for
biodiversity

EU for an ambitious global agenda



EU's position for the post-2020 biodiversity framework

- 2050 goals in line with UN vision: *“living in harmony with nature”*
- Ambitious global 2030 goals and targets
- 15th Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity



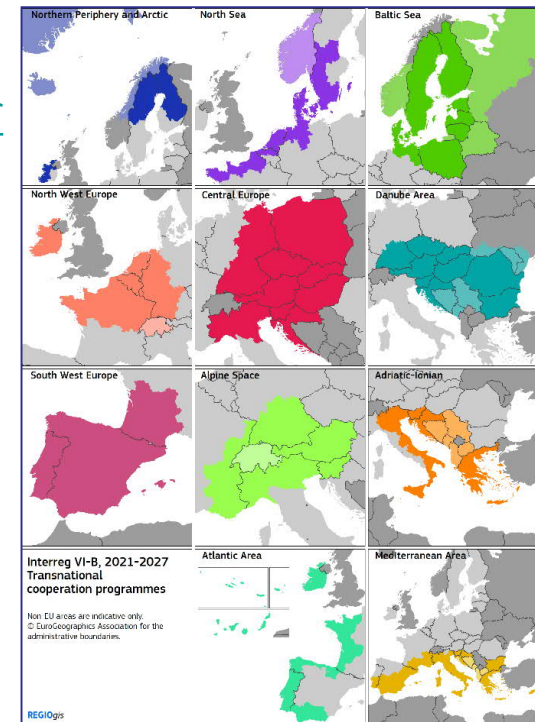


Cross-border cooperation and Biodiversity Strategy

- Interreg
<https://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/natura2000/financing/docs/Interreg%20Natura2000.pdf>
- EU macro-regional strategies;
- Regional Multilateral Environmental Agreements (The Alpine Convention, The Carpathian Convention)
- LIFE Programme



THE EU INTERREG
PROGRAMME IN SUPPORT
OF NATURA 2000
AND BIODIVERSITY
(2000-2020)





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For more information, please consult:

http://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/index_en.htm

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