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# EU Biodiversity Strategy to 2020 and CGBN Roadmap

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**2020 headline target**  
*halt biodiversity loss – restore ecosystem services – global contribution*

## SIX TARGETS



1  
Enhance implementation of nature legislation

2  
Restore ecosystems establish Green Infrastructure

3  
Sustainable agriculture and forestry

4  
Sustainable fisheries

5  
Combat Alien Invasive Species

6  
Contribute to averting global biodiversity loss



## Mid-term, not Mid-way...



- Environment Council Conclusions, December 2015
- EP Resolution, February 2016
- EESC Opinion, September 2016

- Need to strengthen **integration** and scale up **implementation action for a measurable impact** on the overall negative trends.



- **SCI:** *Union list update due in November 2016*
- **Financing:**
  - LIFE integrated projects
  - Analysis of 100 MS Operational Programmes (complete);
  - Integration approach to biodiversity financing study (end 2016)
  - ECA performance audit on Natura 2000 (early 2017)
- **Natura 2000 Biogeographical Seminars**
- **Guidance:** *Forests, Hydropower*
- **Communication:** *Natura 2000 Award, Natura 2000 day*
- **Illegal killing:** *Mediterranean Task Force*
- **Reporting:** *Habides+ tool, updated Natura 2000 Viewer*



- **MAES:**
  - **urban ecosystems**
  - **cultural services**
  - **soil pilot**
  - **KIP-INCA**
  - Critical: **ecosystem condition**
- **Restoration, GI**
  - support studies
  - **technical workshop on knowledge base GI/Restoration, 24-25 October**
  - **JRC/EC pilot to develop urban GI guidance and frameworks**
- **NNL:**
  - Study to support the IA for a future NNL initiative (April 2016)
  - Most appropriate options under consideration
- **TEN-G**
- **Pollinators IPBES follow-up**



- **CAP Greening review:** SWD published, COM proposed to ban pesticides in EFAs
- **2014-2020 RDPs:** 1<sup>st</sup> annual implementation reports, mixed picture
- Preparatory action on EU plant and animal **genetic resources** (final report by end 2016)
- **Sustainable forest management:**
  - **"Beyond Wood" Conference, May 2016**
  - Study to assess and improve SFM guidelines launched in May



## ➤ **MSFD:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> implementation cycle approaching its end
- Monitoring Programmes submitted by all MS
- Programmes of Measures towards GES submitted by most MS
- **Review of GES decision by end 2016**
- Report on socio-economic benefits of marine MPA (online)

## ➤ **CFP:**

- Technical measures proposal (March 2016)
- Gradual entry into force of **discard ban**
- Proposed Regulation on fisheries data still in trilogue

➤ ***Ocean Governance Communication (due early 2017)***

➤ ***Follow-up of joint Nature/Water/Marine directors work***



- **1<sup>st</sup> Union List of IAS adopted in July 2016**
- **MS deadlines:**
  - IAS surveillance system in place by January 2018
  - Management measures for widely spread IAS in place by August 2018
  - Pathways of unintentional introduction identified by January 2018
  - Action Plans for priority pathways in place by July 2019
- **Upcoming:**
  - technical reporting format
  - update of the Union List 15 species under discussion, improved working methods and methodology for RA by SC
  - Delegated act in RA
- **Studies:**
  - Additional risk assessment of plant species
  - Synchronising EASIN and CBD classification
- **EASIN**





- **Direct drivers:**
  - Circular economy package adopted in December 2015
  - Palm oil study to be launched
  - Deforestation Action Plan feasibility study launched in January 2016
  - EU Timber Regulation Review completed **FLEGT** Indonesia
- *Trade policy: trade and SD chapter in all EU FTA's*
- **Wildlife Trafficking** Action Plan endorsed in June 2016
- *Resource mobilisation report to the CBD (February 2016)*
- **UNFCCC Paris Agreement follow-up.** Revised Adaptation Strat 2017
- *B4Life facility*
- *Nagoya Protocol implementation: EU guidance documents*
- **Successful CITES COP**
- *CBD COP 13 preparations*
- **Communication on SDGs** by the end of 2016

# Progress update : Horizontal aspects



- **BEST**
- **B@B, NCC, NCP, Community of practice on financing**
- **TEEB AgFood, WAVES**
- **Biodiversity tracking applied to 2017 budget: 12.7 billion € or 8.2 % contributes to biodiversity**
- **NCFE**



# ***CGBN Roadmap for enhanced implementation of the EU Biodiversity Strategy to 2020***

## **Nature Directors, November 2015:**

*"Request the CGBN... to develop an underlying road map/work programme for adoption at the next Nature Directors meeting, with a view to support in the most effective way the full implementation of the actions included in the EU Biodiversity Strategy and to deliver on its Targets by 2020."*

# CGBN Roadmap (1)

- A **framework** to guide the CGBN work, agenda and inputs to the NDM by 2020;
- Actions requiring **increased efforts** and **CGBN input**
- Draws on the **Council Conclusions** and the **EP resolution**
- A **living document**, subject to revision in the light of policy developments (**Nature Fitness Check**)
- The **EU Biodiversity Strategy's** Targets and Actions remain fully valid

## CGBN Roadmap (2)

- *Actions under each target and horizontal issues (some may need validation!)*
- *Strengthened CGBN role in liaising with other sectors to mainstream biodiversity*
- *A timeline of relevant policy milestones.*
- *Identified Working Groups and relevant fora.*
- *New version contains suggestions made at last CGBN and in written*



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**Thank you!**