

The EU Biodiversity Strategy 2030

Bringing nature back into our lives

European Green Deal - *von der Leyen Commission*

European Union



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PACT AND CLIMATE
LAW

PROMOTING
CLEAN
ENERGY

INVESTING IN
SMARTER, MORE
SUSTAINABLE
TRANSPORT

STRIVING
FOR GREENER
INDUSTRY

ELIMINATING
POLLUTION

ENSURING
A JUST TRANSITION
FOR ALL

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GLOBALLY

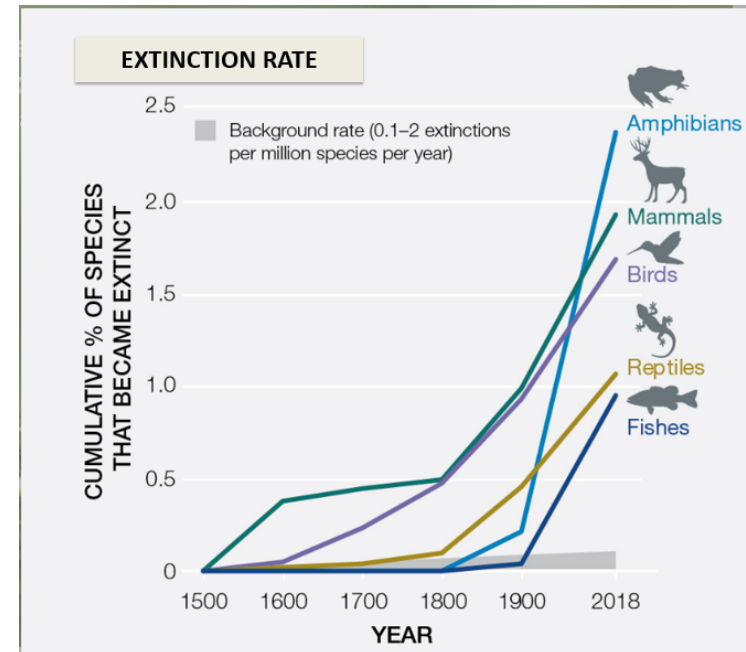
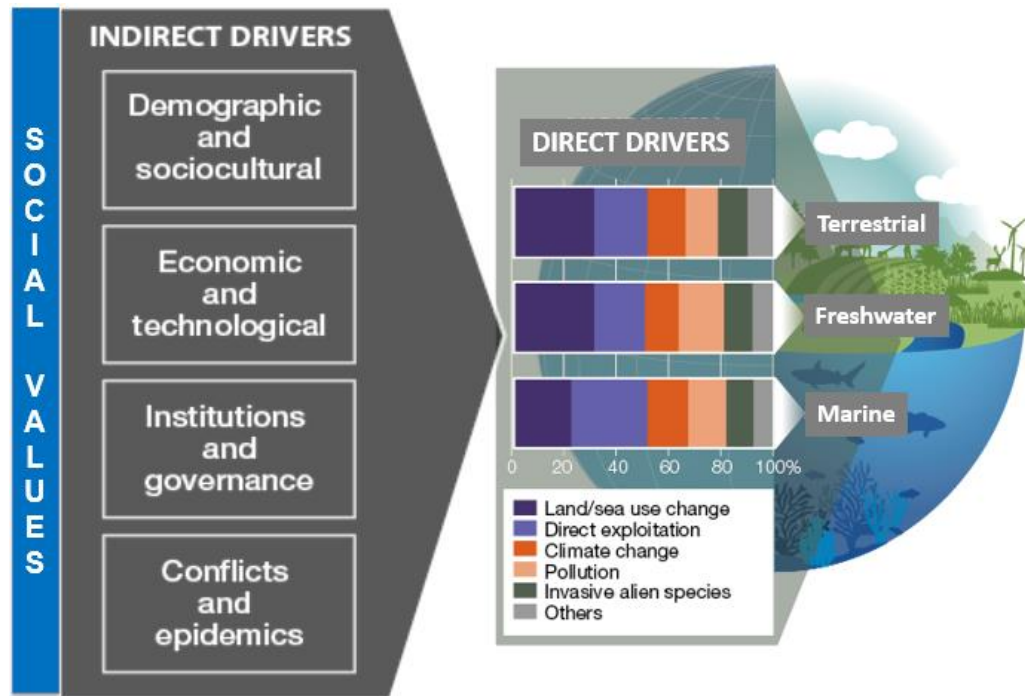
FROM FARM
TO FORK

PROTECTING NATURE

The European Green Deal



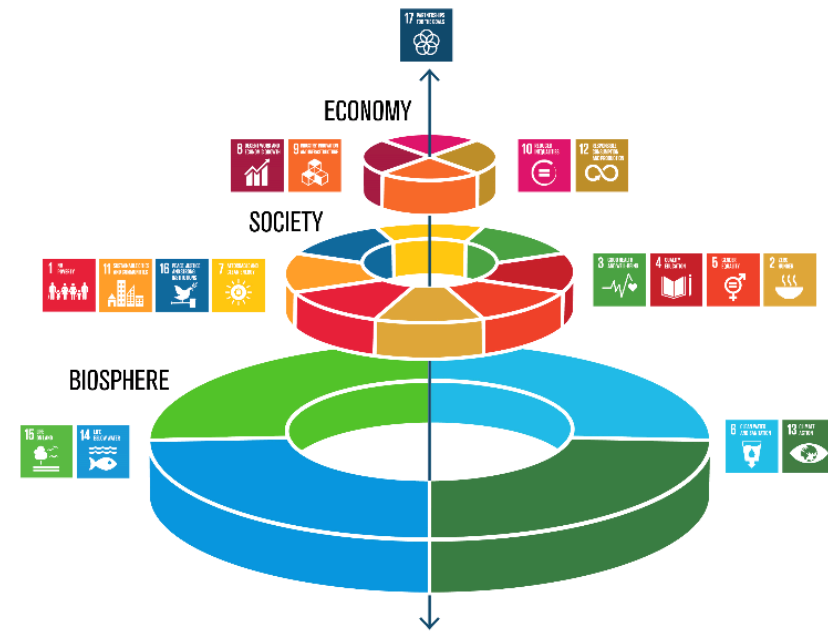
The global biodiversity crisis



Source: IPBES Global assessment 2019

Biodiversity underpins sustainable development

- Biodiversity loss: key threats for humanity
- Annual value of nature's contributions to people: roughly half of global GDP depends on nature (WEF)
- Connections between biodiversity loss, climate change and pandemics
- Restoring biodiversity core part of recovery



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| Why **now** is the time to take action

Health: Clear links between nature destruction and the increased risk of outbreaks of infectious and in particular zoonotic diseases.

Recovery: Stimulating growth and jobs post-COVID.

Our role in the world: The world is watching us and looking for EU leadership towards CBD COP15.

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| Elements of the EU Biodiversity Strategy

1. Protect Nature
2. Restore Nature
3. Enable Transformative Change
4. 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
- **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 (1):

- Legally binding targets to be proposed in 2021
- No deterioration of any protected habitats and species by 2030 - trend to be positive for at least 30%
- Organic farming: 25%
- Landscape features: 10%
- 50% reduction of use and risk of pesticides
- 3 billion trees planted
- Reverse decline in pollinators



| Restore Nature

EU Restoration Plan with 2030 commitments (2):

- Restore 25,000km free flowing rivers
- New Urban Greening Platform: the Green City Accord
- Invasive alien species: half the number on the red list
- Reduction of pollution from fertilisers
- Reduction of damage to seabed, bycatch



| Enable Transformative Change

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



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| 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 targets
- Improved means of implementation: finance, capacity, research, know-how and technology
- Stronger implementation, monitoring and review
- A fair and equitable share of the benefits from the use of genetic resources linked to biodiversity.
- Respect of the principle of equality.



| EU for an ambitious global agenda

- Green Diplomacy
- International Ocean Governance
- Trade Policy
- International cooperation



| Next Steps

- Implementation of actions (specific Annex to the Strategy)
- Reaction from EP and Council, COR, EESC
- UNGA Biodiversity Summit Sept 2020
- CBD COP 15 early 2021, China



| THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

