

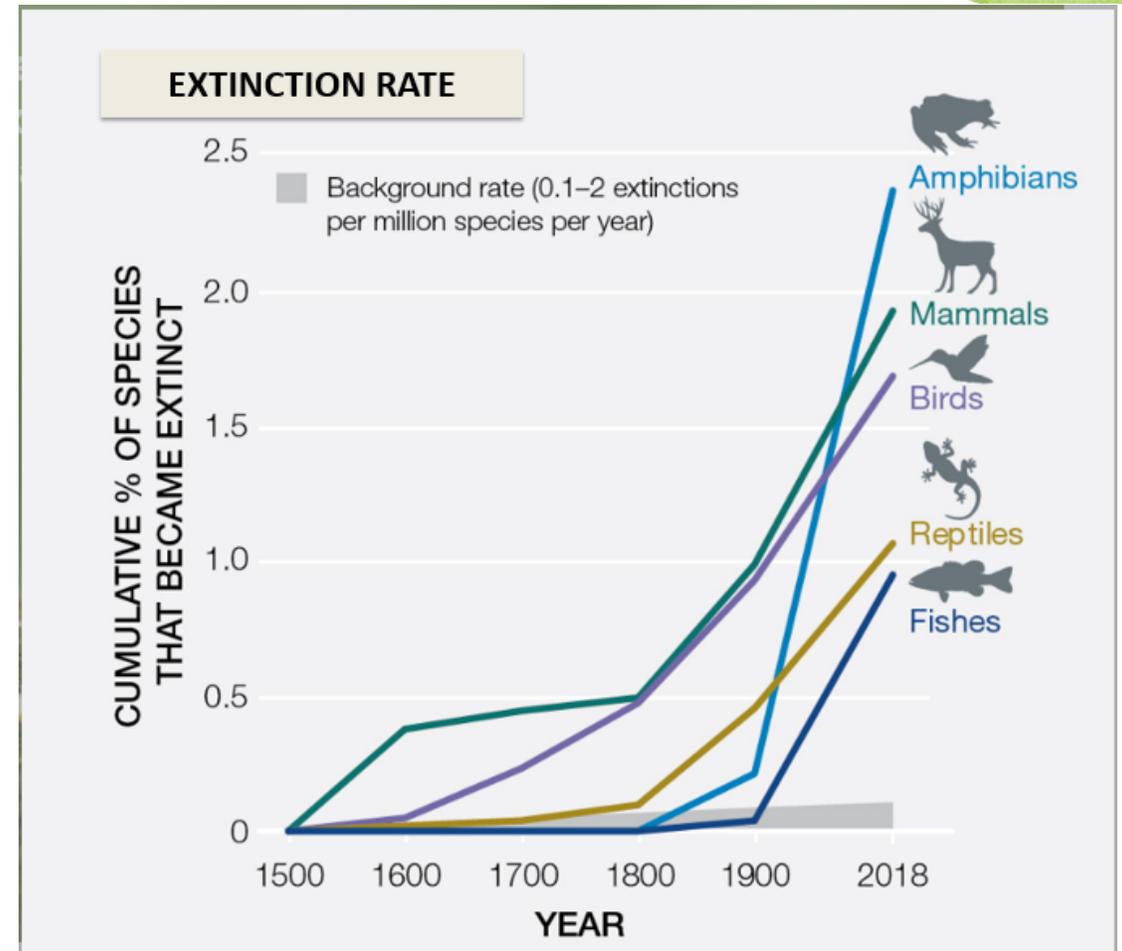
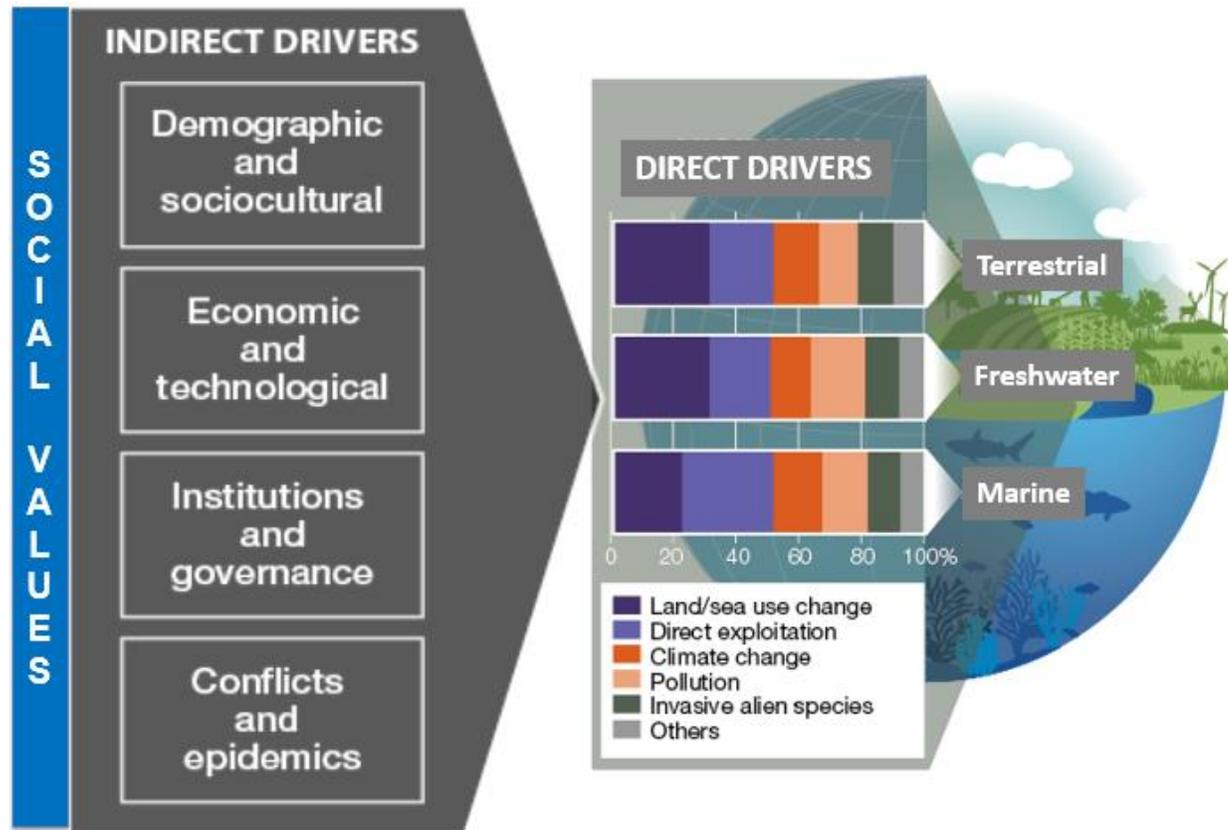
The EU Biodiversity Strategy for 2030

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| The global biodiversity crisis



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Elements of the EU Biodiversity Strategy



Protect Nature



Enable Transformative Change



Restore Nature



EU For An Ambitious Global Agenda





Protect Nature



Commitments for protected areas*:

1. Protect 30% of the EU's sea area and integrate ecological corridors, as part of a true Trans-European Nature Network.

- Based on Natura 2000 and nationally designated areas

2. Strictly protect at least a third of the EU's marine protected areas.

- Covering areas of very high biodiversity value, important for mitigation and adaptation to climate change, fish stock recovery

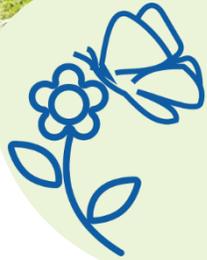
3. Effectively manage all protected areas, defining clear conservation objectives and measures, and monitoring them appropriately.

- The Commission, working with Member States and the European Environment Agency, will put forward in 2020 criteria and guidance for identifying and designating additional areas, including a definition of strict protection, as well as for appropriate management planning.



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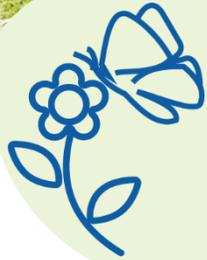
EU Restoration Plan with 2030 commitments*:

- ✓ Legally binding targets to be proposed in 2021
- ✓ No deterioration of any protected habitats and species by 2030; favourable status or positive trend for at least 30%
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- ✓ 50% reduction of use and risk of pesticides
- ✓ Reduction of pollution from fertilisers by 50% and by $\geq 20\%$ their use
- ✓ Zero Pollution Action Plan for Air, Water and Soil
- ✓ ...



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EU Restoration Plan with 2030 commitments*:

- A new **action plan to conserve fisheries resources and protect marine ecosystems** by 2021
- **Bycatch of species threatened with extinction must be eliminated or reduced to a level that allows full recovery.** This should also be the case for those in bad conservation status or not in good environmental status. **Bycatch of other species** must be eliminated or, where this is not possible, minimised so as not to threaten their conservation status. To support this, **data collection on by-catch** for all sensitive species needs to be stepped up.
- **Fisheries-management measures** must be established in all marine protected areas according to clearly defined conservation objectives and on the basis of the best available scientific advice.
- Measures to limit the use of fishing gear most harmful to biodiversity, including on the seabed.

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| Enable Transformative Change



- Governance framework
- Unlocking financing
- Business engagement
- Knowledge, education
- Full implementation of existing EU law
As regards the Birds and Habitats Directives, enforcement will focus on completing the Natura 2000 network, the effective management of all sites, species-protection provisions, and species and habitats that show declining trends.



| 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!

More info at:

https://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/biodiversity/strategy/index_en.htm

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