

Protected areas pledges

Preliminary analysis – Baltic region



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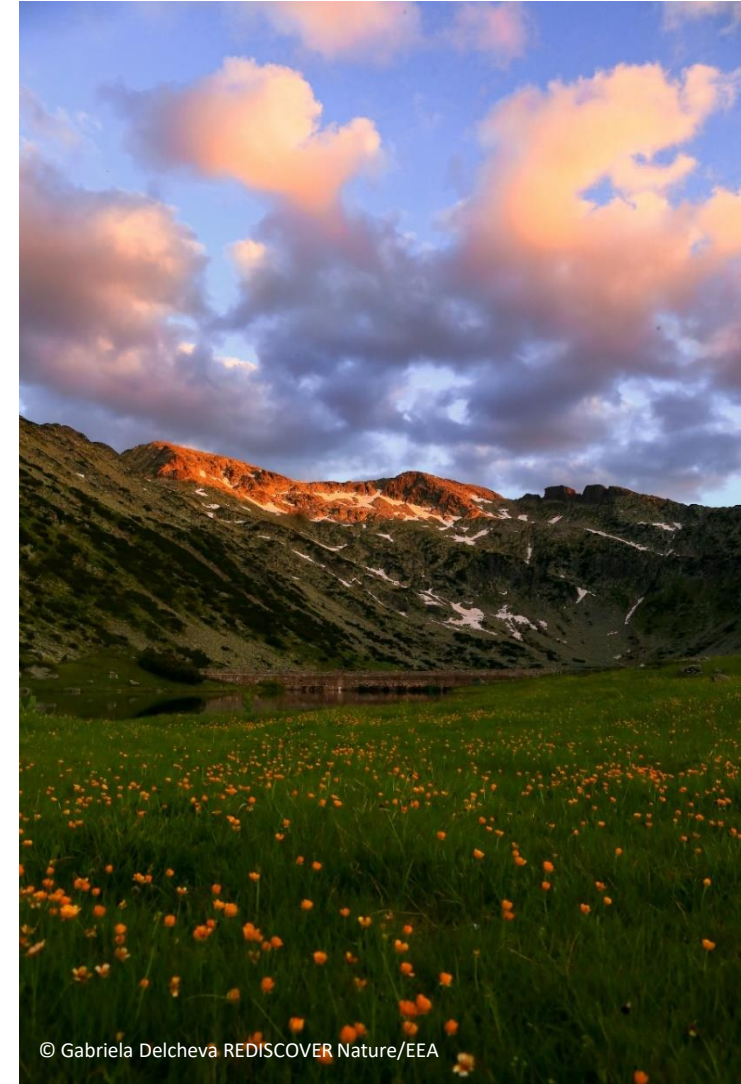
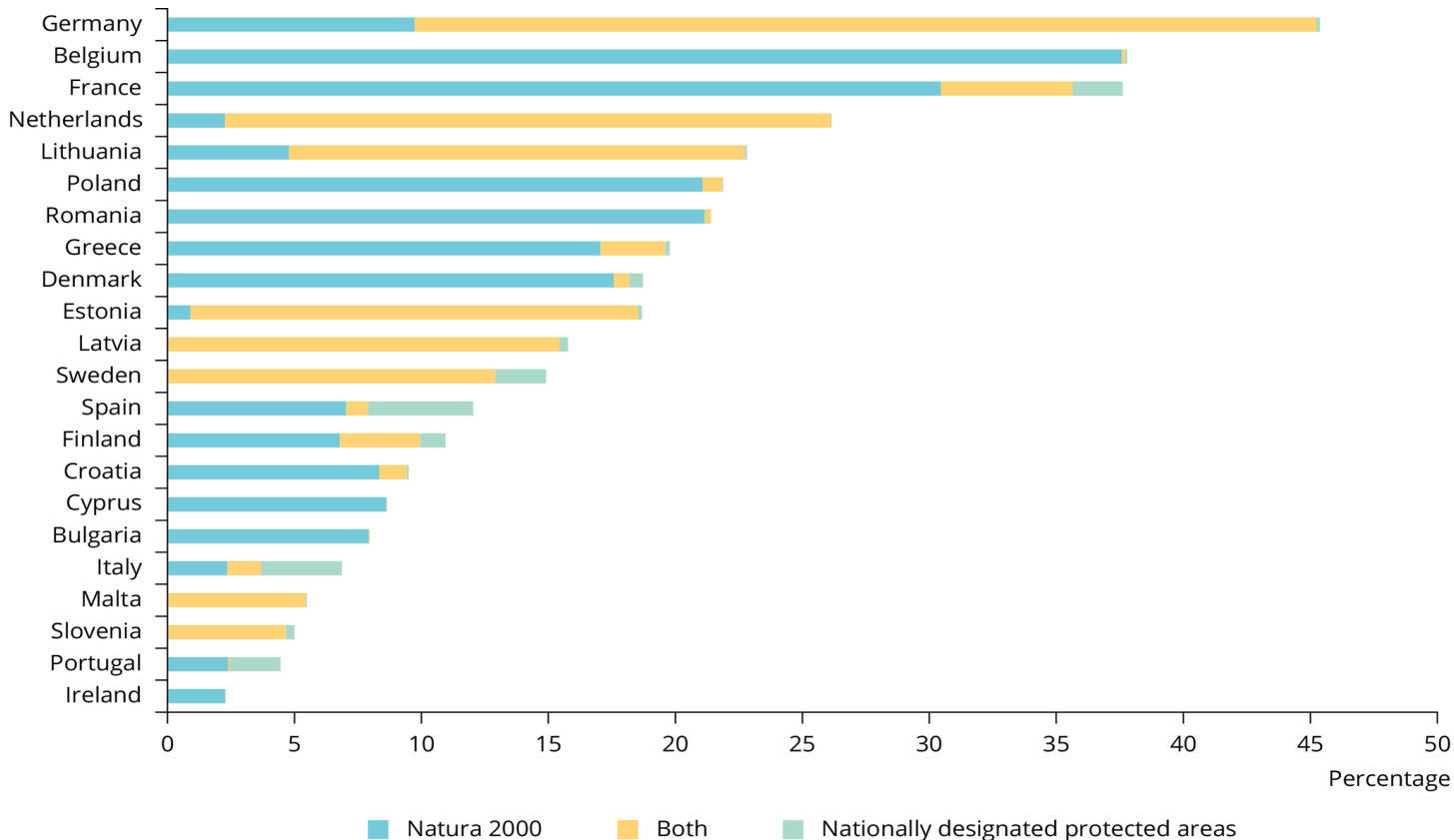


# Protected areas – current dataflows

EEA supports annual data reporting for:

- Natura 2000 sites
- Nationally designated areas

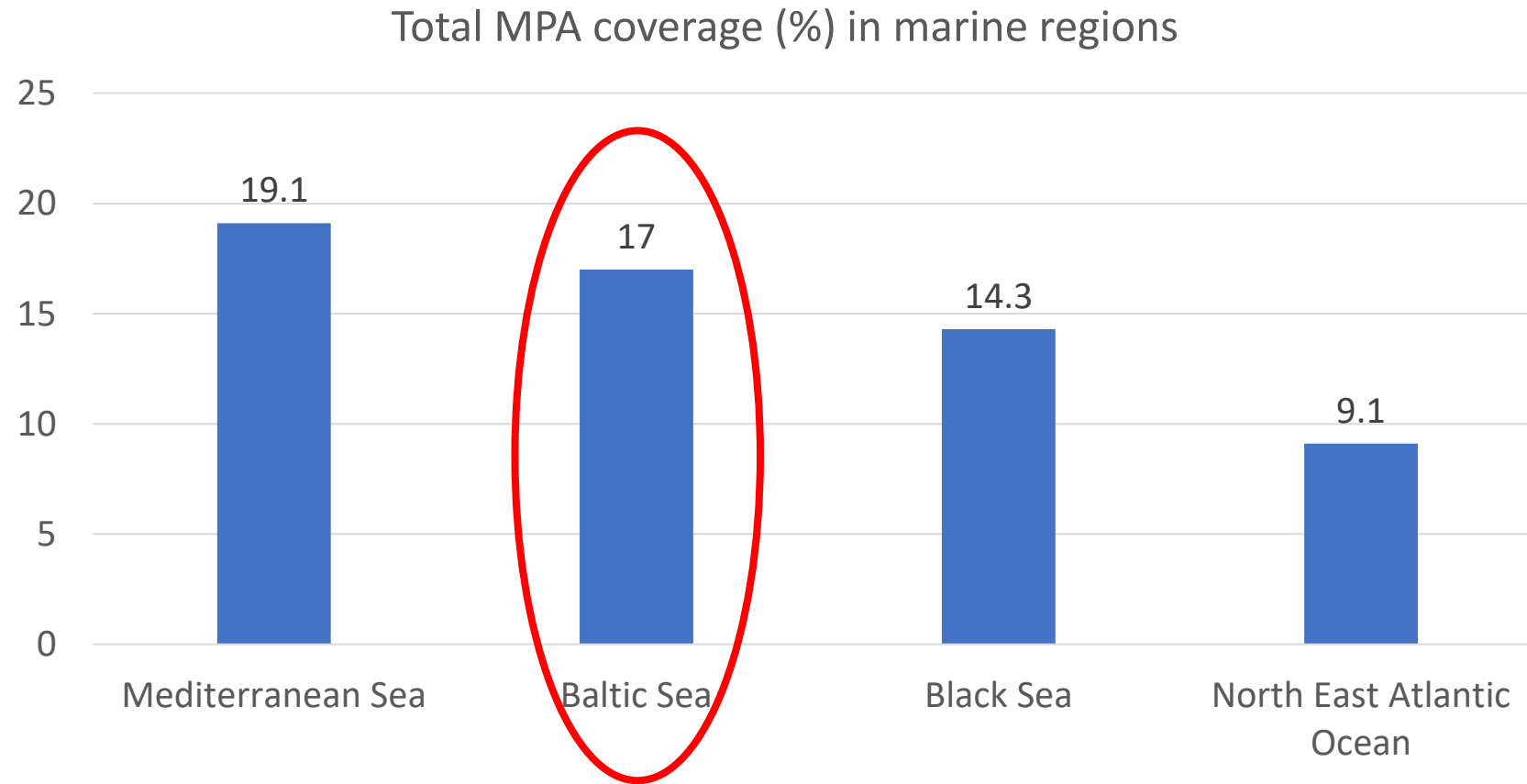
This information is compiled to produce statistics on protected areas coverage at EU, biogeographical regions and MS level (e.g. the MPAs coverage indicator below)



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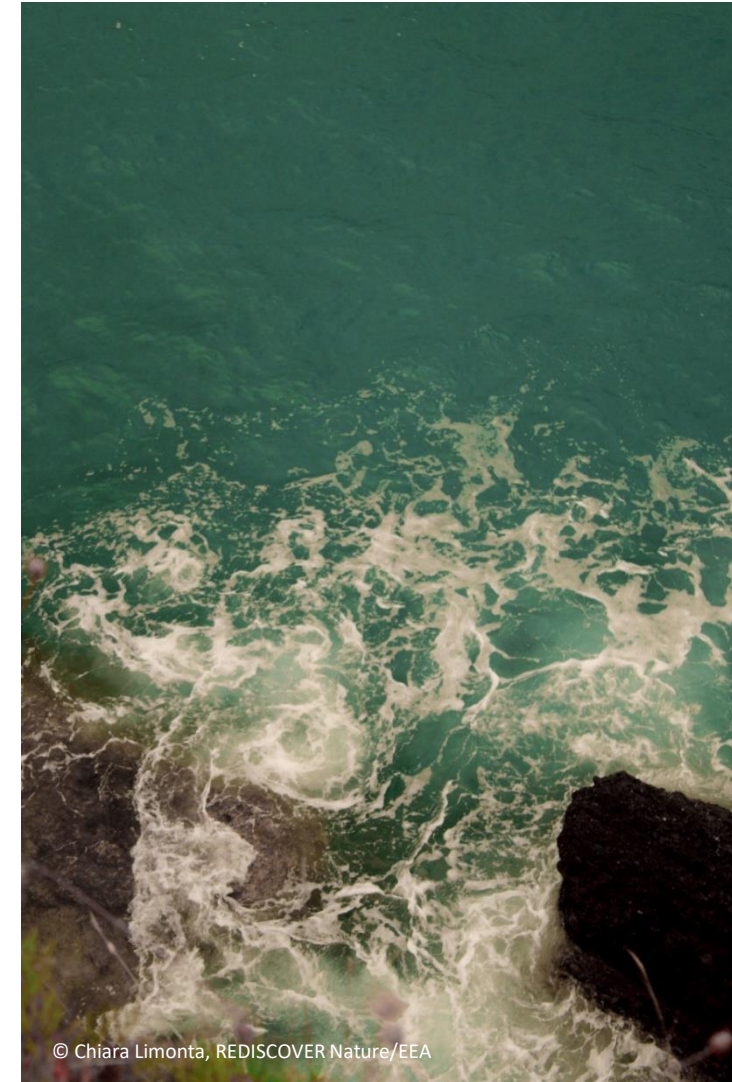
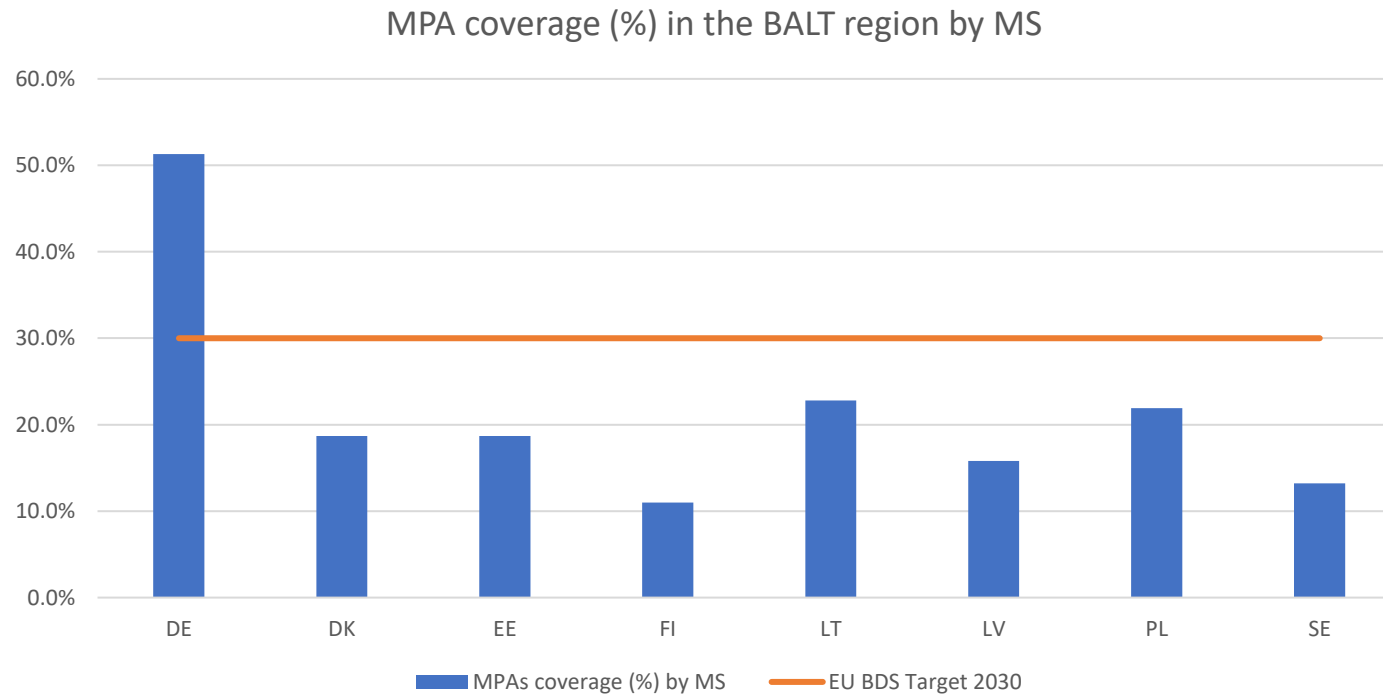
# Protected areas coverage – current status (before the pledges)



Based on Natura 2000 data reported by end 2020 and Nationally designated areas 2021

# Protected areas coverage – Baltic region

Percentage of the Baltic region in each MS that is protected



Based on Natura 2000 data reported by end 2020 and Nationally designated areas 2021

# Pledges for the 30% protected areas target



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## Biodiversity pledges - protected areas

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# Structure and content of the pledges

## General information

- Protected areas extent per biogeographical/marine region – current and expected by 2030
- OECMs extent per biogeographical/marine region – current and expected by 2030
- Area under strict protection per biogeographical/marine region – current and expected by 2030
- Explanation on coherence of the network

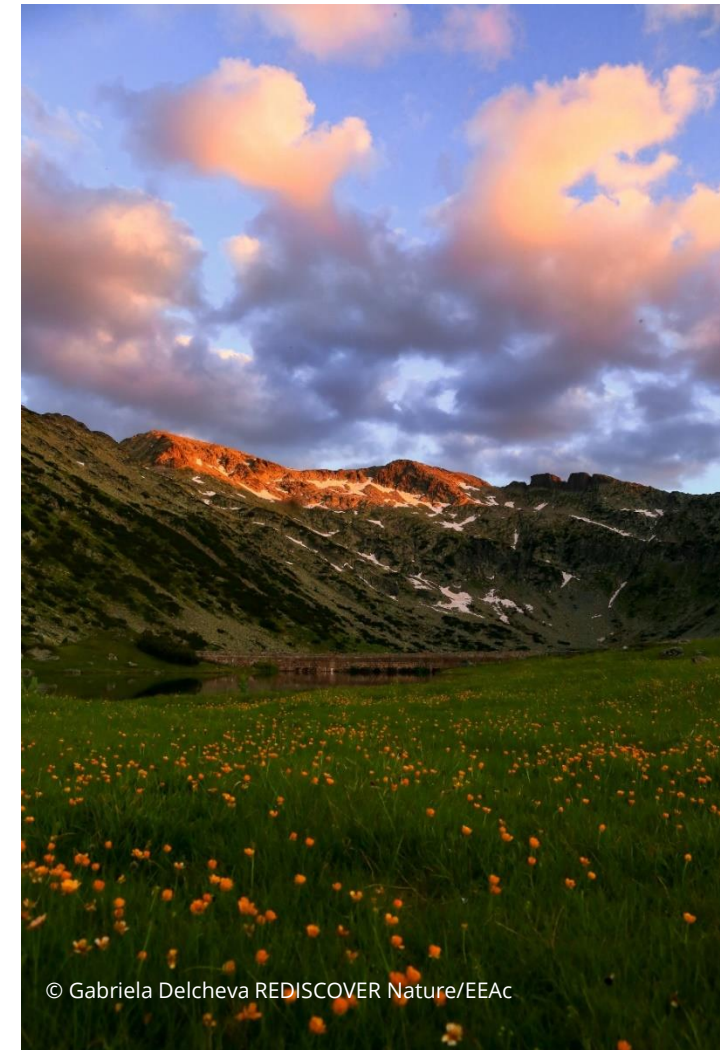
## Existing nationally designated areas reported in CDDA that should be counted towards the 30% target

- Per designation type or individual sites

## Existing OECMs reported in CDDA that should be counted towards the 30% target

## Existing Natura 2000 sites and nationally designated areas that should be counted towards the 10% strict protection target

## Pledges for future protected areas and OECMs



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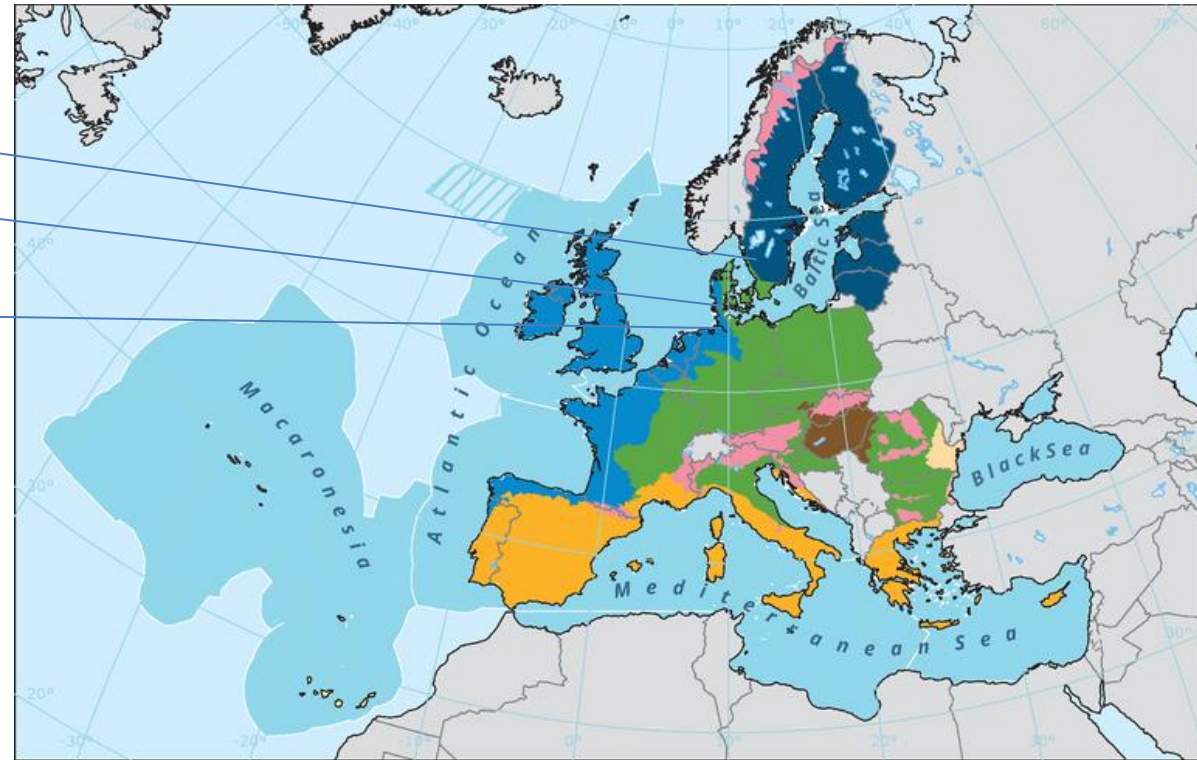
# Pledges for the 30% protected areas target

Baltic region – pledges received from

Sweden

Denmark

Germany



Reference data: ©ESRI

## Biogeographical and marine regions in the EU

### Biogeographical regions

Alpine	Macaronesia
Atlantic	Mediterranean
Black Sea	Pannonian
Boreal	Steppic
Continental	

### Marine regions

Marine region names are given in the map
Overlapping submissions to UNCLOS

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Outside coverage

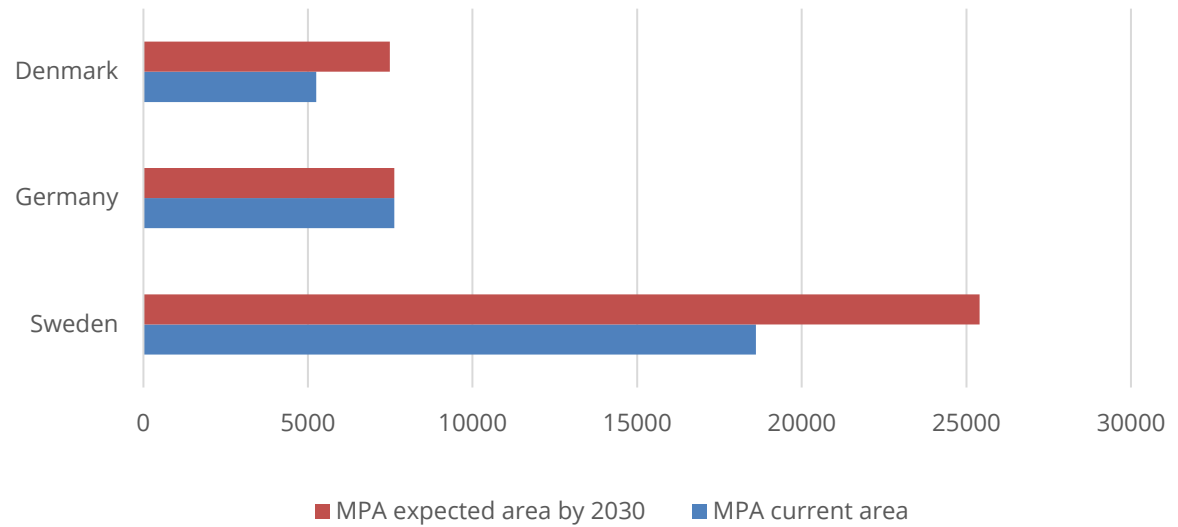


# Information submitted in the pledges - total

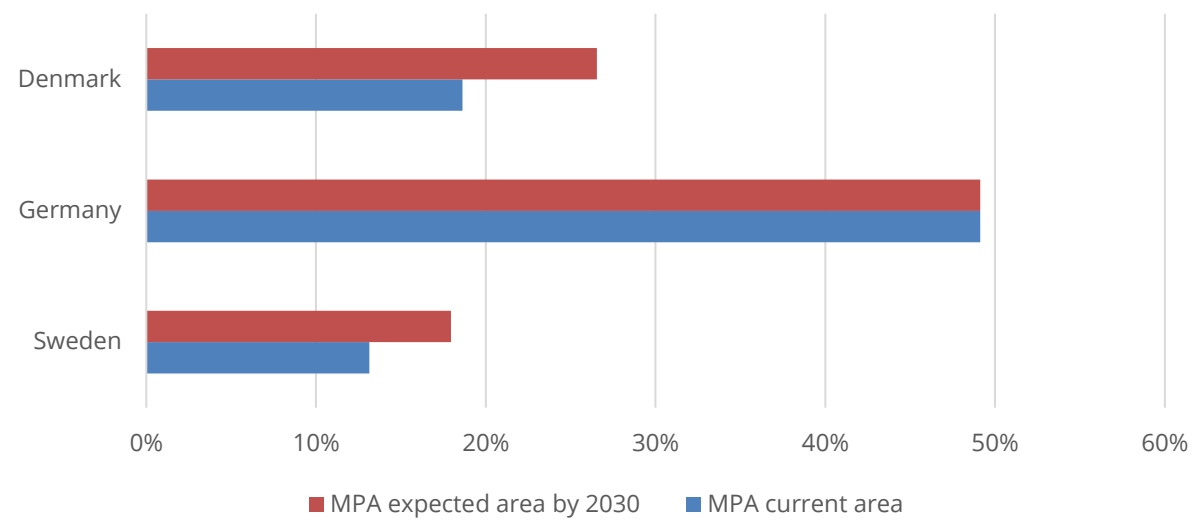
## Total current and future expected area covered by protected areas – Baltic region

\* Should be considered as preliminary estimates as the MS are still updating their pledges

Current and expected total MPAs area (in km<sup>2</sup>) in the Baltic marine region



Current and expected total MPAs area (in %) in the Baltic marine region





# Information submitted in the pledges – strict protection

Denmark currently provides an estimate of marine areas that would be under strict protection in the Baltic biogeographical region - around 1.9% of the marine waters of Denmark within that region.

Sweden – to be presented today

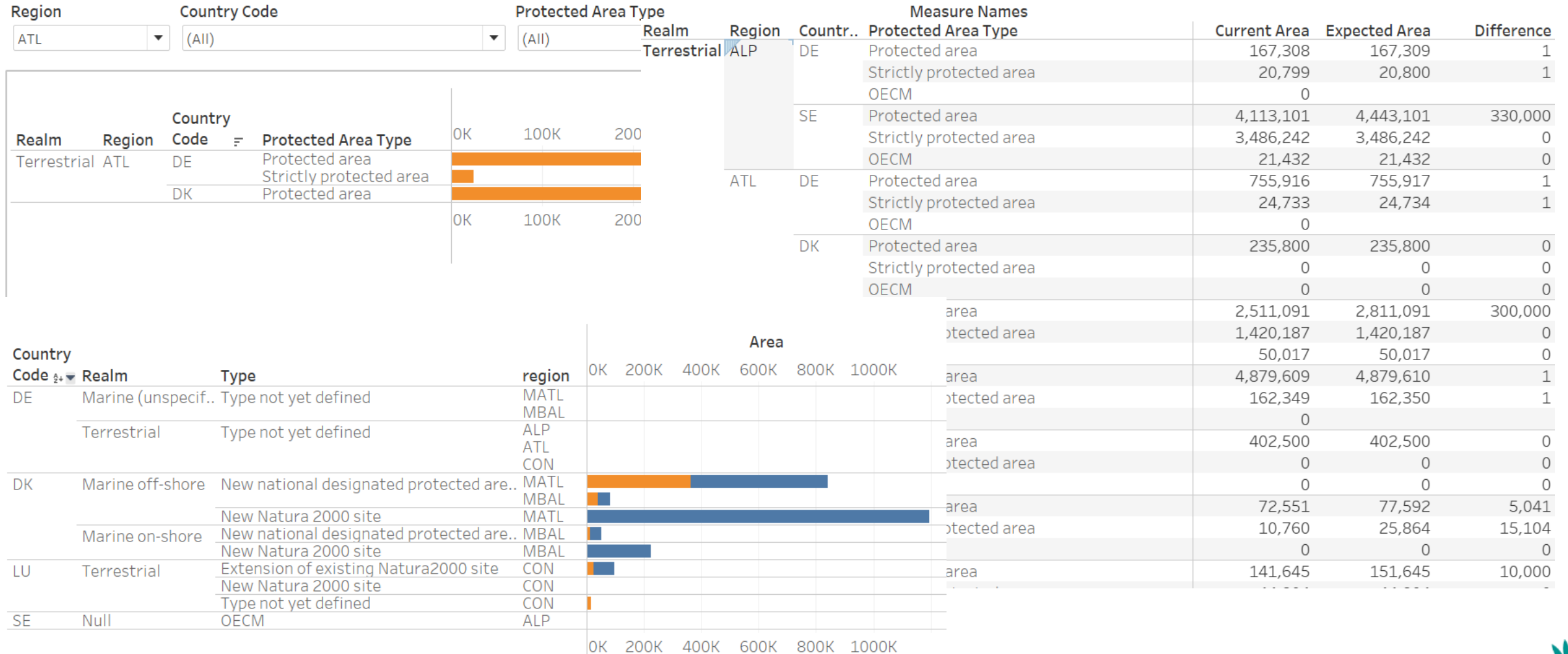
Member State	Strict protection current (km <sup>2</sup> )	Strict protection by 2030 (km <sup>2</sup> )
Germany	not reported	not reported
Denmark	0	526
Sweden	to be resubmitted	

## **Total current and future area covered by OECMs**

- None reported by DK, DE or SE in the marine Baltic region so far

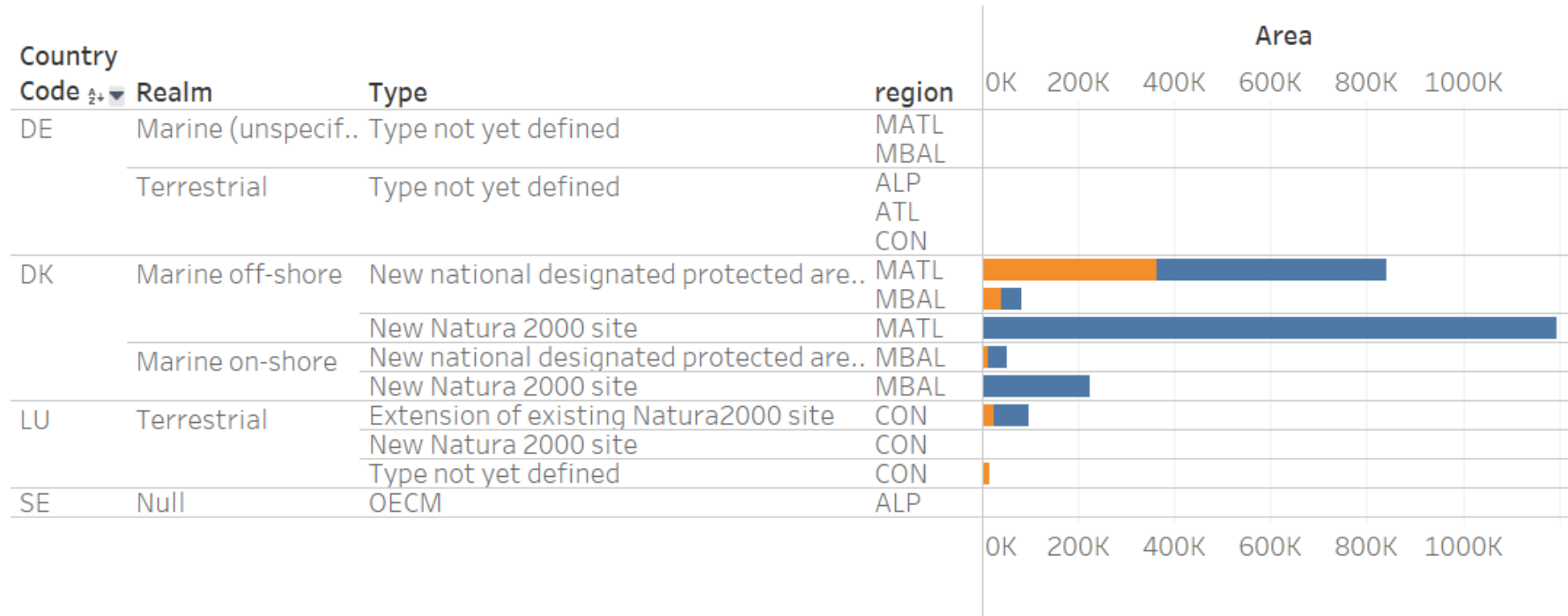
# Dashboards – proposed format

## Existing and Future Protected Areas



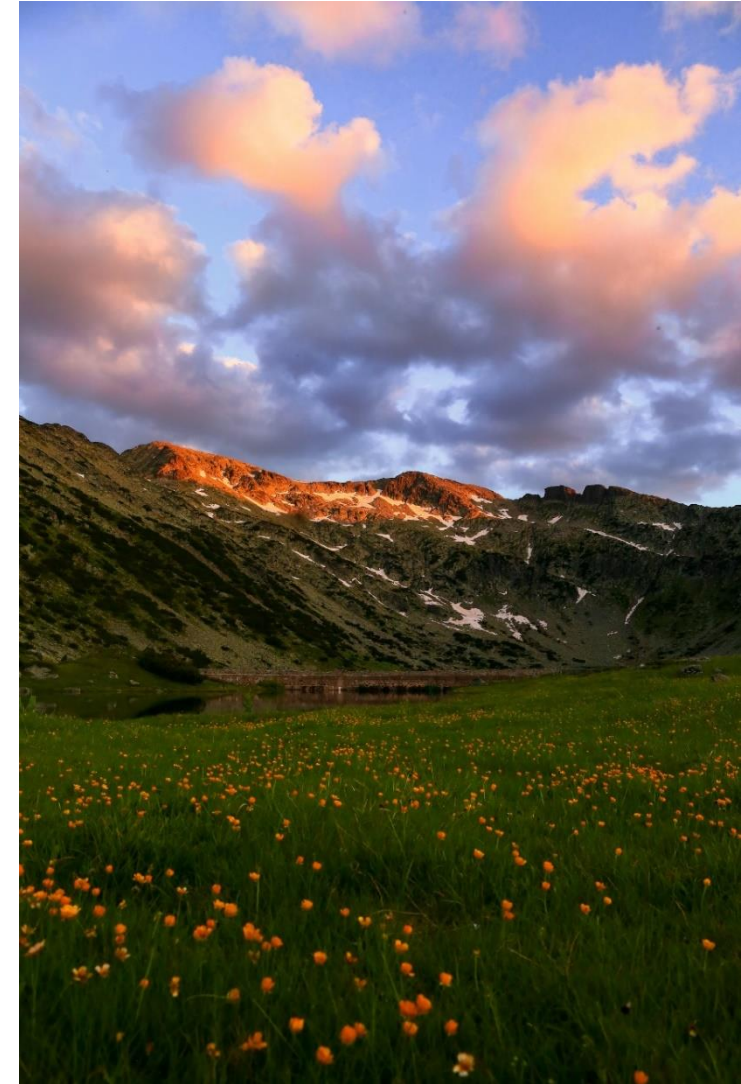
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## Proposed new protected areas



# Next updates

- Update of the baseline – new protected areas statistics will be undertaken in early 2024
- Based on the newest Natura 2000 dataset
- and Nationally designated areas reported in 2023 – to consider based on the outcomes of the biogeographical seminars and submissions by the countries how to consider information from the pledges
- Dashboards – to be published now and updated gradually when new pledges are submitted



Thank you

