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### Natura 2000 Biogeographical Process

Conservation Status  
Improvement Targets  
Discussion  
Day 1



## Discussion topics: Status improvement target for species/ habitats

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- What are the barriers for preparing and submitting the pledge (technical/ political), and how can they be overcome?
- From planning to implementation: how can pledges be used to achieve the Biodiversity Strategy targets?
- What would be required to scale up restoration efforts for species and habitats?
- For which species / habitats is deterioration considered to be unavoidable?
- \* Wild card – you may suggest additional topics



## barriers for preparing and submitting the pledge, how can they be overcome?

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- Distrust is the main barrier!
- How is the information being used? Are we later being confronted with stricter regulations?
- Lasagne effect: more and more processes... Funds, relations between processes



- **From pledges to implementation how can pledges be used?**

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- They can help to focus available funding to concentrate on species and habitats listed in the pledges
- They can be a reason to implement specific measures in management plans



## Scale up restoration efforts for species and habitats

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- Need to be able to show the feasibility of large scale restoration efforts
- Local people should be (placed in the lead) to get different stakeholders involved



## For which species / habitats is deterioration considered to be unavoidable?

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- Not always unavoidable! Some good examples of recovery!
- Genetic diversity often a critical factor
- Climate change result in unavoidable changes. But, sometimes it means a 'rearrangement' of species, moving populations