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## ANNEX

*The measures presented in this action plan are or will be taken forward in line with the better regulation principles, including evaluations and impact assessments as appropriate*

<b>Key actions to be taken by the Commission</b>	<b>Indicative timetable</b>
<b>A COHERENT NETWORK OF PROTECTED AREAS</b>	
Criteria and guidance for identifying and designating additional protected areas and ecological corridors, on appropriate management planning, and on how other effective area-based conservation measures and urban greening can contribute to the EU 2030 nature protection targets	2020
Assessment of the EU's progress in meeting its 2030 targets on protected areas and whether additional action, legislative or other, is needed	by 2024
<b>AN EU NATURE RESTORATION PLAN</b>	
Proposal for EU nature restoration targets	2021
Guidance on the selection of species and habitats to ensure that at least 30% of protected species and habitats not currently in favourable status are in that category by 2030, or show a strong positive trend	2020
Revision of the Sustainable Use of Pesticides Directive and enhance Integrated Pest Management provisionso	2022
Review and possible revision of the EU Pollinators initiative	2020
Measures to ensure that Member States' CAP Strategic Plans set explicit national values for relevant targets of the Biodiversity and Farm to Fork Strategies, supported, inter alia, by CAP instruments and implementation of the Habitats Directive	as of 2020
Action Plan for Organic Farming for 2021-2026	2020
Revision of the Thematic Strategy for Soil Protection	2021
New EU Forest Strategy including a roadmap for planting at least 3 billion additional trees in the EU by 2030	2021
Further develop the Forest Information System for Europe	as of 2020
Guidelines on biodiversity-friendly afforestation and reforestation and closer-to-nature-forestry practices	2021
Assessment of the EU and global biomass supply and demand and related sustainability	ongoing
Study on the sustainability of the use of forest biomass for energy production	2020
Operational guidance on the new sustainability criteria on forest biomass for	2021

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Review of the data on biofuels with high indirect land-use change risk and setting up of a trajectory for their gradual phase out by 2030	2021
New action plan to conserve fisheries resources and protect marine ecosystems	2021
Guidance and support to Member States to identify sites and help mobilise funding for the restoration of 25,000 km of free-flowing rivers	2021
Technical guidance to Member States on their measures to review water abstraction and impoundment permits and to restore ecological flows in the revised River Basin Management Plans	2023
Set up the EU Urban Greening Platform under a new ‘Green City Accord’ with cities and mayors	2021
Technical guidance on urban greening and assistance to mobilise funding and capacity building for Member States, local and regional authorities, including for the development of Urban Greening Plans	2021
Integrated Nutrient Management Action Plan	2022
<b>ENABLING TRANSFORMATIVE CHANGE</b>	
Assessment of the effectiveness of the new cooperation-based biodiversity governance framework, and of need for an enhanced, legally-binding or other, approach to biodiversity governance	2023
Review and possible revision of the Environmental Crime Directive	2021
New sustainable corporate governance initiative addressing human rights, and environmental duty of care and mandatory due diligence across economic value chains	2021
Help to build an EU Business for Biodiversity movement	as of 2020
Renewed Sustainable Finance Strategy	2020
Delegated act under the Taxonomy Regulation to establish a common classification of economic activities that substantially contribute to the protection and restoration of biodiversity and ecosystems	2021
Methods, criteria and standards to better integrate biodiversity considerations into public and business decision-making at all levels, and to measure the environmental footprint of products and organisations	2021
Promote an international natural capital accounting initiative	2021
Establish a new Knowledge Centre for Biodiversity	2020
Proposal for a Council Recommendation on encouraging cooperation in education for environmental sustainability, including biodiversity education	2021

<b>THE EUROPEAN UNION FOR AN AMBITIOUS GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY AGENDA</b>	
Broker an agreement for an ambitious post-2020 biodiversity framework at the 15th Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD COP15)	2020-21
Broker an ambitious agreement on marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction and on three vast Marine Protected Areas in the Southern Ocean	as of 2020
Assess the impact of trade agreements on biodiversity, with follow-up where needed	as of 2020
Measures to avoid or minimise the placing of products associated with deforestation or forest degradation on the EU market	2021
Revision of the EU Action Plan against Wildlife Trafficking	2021
Proposal for further tightening of the rules on EU ivory trade	2020
NaturAfrica initiative to protect wildlife and key ecosystems	As of 2021