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The outermost regions and, specifically, the Canary Islands, enjoy one of the richest biodiversities on the planet. In addition to its biological and environmental importance, which must be adequately conserved, this biodiversity may become a scientific opportunity, and to that end it is necessary to continue strengthening research to enable the proper use of its richness.

The European Union has a strategy for this area until 2020.

What measures have already been implemented within this strategy to ensure conservation and make ever more possible the scientific use of the biodiversity of the Canary Islands and of all the outermost regions?