

**Question for written answer E-000999/2021  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Report on the state of nature in the EU (2013-2018): what is the future of biodiversity in Europe?

Every six years, Member States are required to submit a report on the conservation status of protected species and habitats in their territories to the Commission. While the overall situation in Europe has improved, the latest report concludes that of the 1 400 species protected under the Habitats Directive, more than a quarter (27%) have a good conservation status, but the majority (63%) are considered poor or bad. In addition, the report states that the situation is very worrying for the 233 types of ecosystems protected under this directive. Some are so degraded that they require significant restoration to restart their recovery.

As stated in the report, the European Union has not yet managed to halt the decline of protected species and of the types of ecosystem present in its territory, whose conservation status is worrying.

In the light of the above:

1. What does the Commission intend to do to halt the targeted decline of certain animal and plant species?
2. What does the Commission intend to do to restore habitats in its 2030 strategy?