



# The IUCN Green List Sustainability Standard

**Improving the performance of the Natura 2000  
network of protected areas**



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Protected | Conserved Areas

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## 4 Components

A global benchmark for **effective management** and **governance quality** of protected and conserved areas that motivates improved performance and **successful achievement of conservation objectives**





# Green List and Natura 2000

## LIFE Preparatory Actions Grant

"Improving the performance of the Natura 2000 network through a Green Listing approach (**LIFE Green List for N2K**)"

- **Feasibility study**
- 16/5/2017 - 31/10/2019
- Total budget: 250,000 Euro (60% EU contribution)



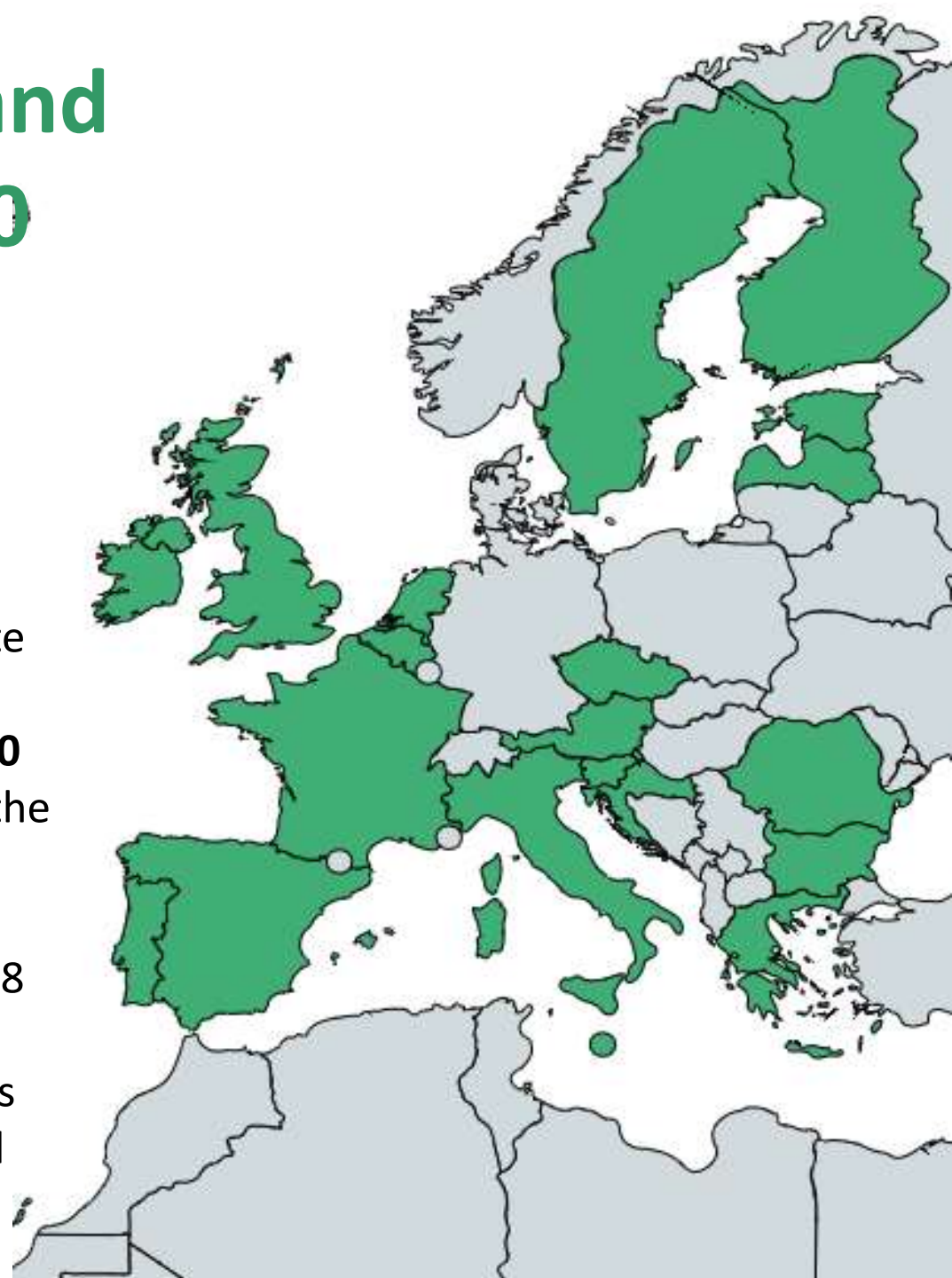




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## Progress so far

- European Core Working Group (ECWG) set up
- Process for **adaptation of the indicators** to N2K almost complete
- Applications from **75 sites** from **20 EU countries** for participation in the testing phase
- **Testing phase** started in June 2018
- **Final Report** will draw conclusions about the applicability and added value of the Green List to N2K

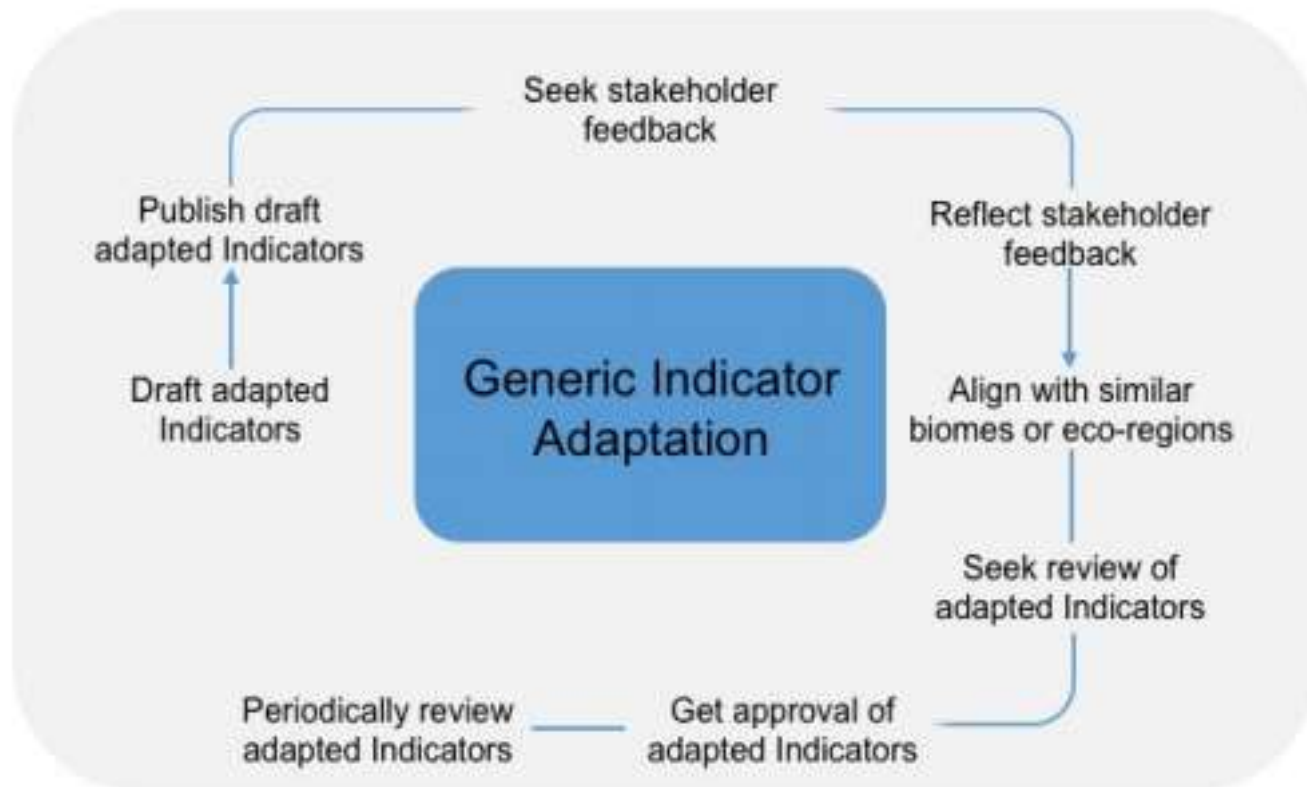




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# The Adaptation Process

The **Global Generic Indicators** can be adapted at jurisdictional level to reflect the diverse thematic, legal, cultural, social and bio-geographical conditions of protected areas in different parts of the world.



# A couple of examples

**Global Generic Indicator:** The site has a current management plan or equivalent that is used to guide management priorities and activities.

**Proposed Adapted Indicator:** There is a current management plan or equivalent that is an appropriate frame to guide site specific management priorities and activities.

**Global Generic Indicator:** The site meets or exceeds the performance thresholds for the conservation of major natural values (...).

**Proposed Adapted Indicator:** There is evidence that the site is effectively conserving target species and habitat types, making progress or contributing towards maintaining or achieving FCS. For any other major site values, sufficient progress towards meeting performance thresholds is demonstrated.



# Added value of the Green List for N2K?

- Promote effective management of Natura 2000 sites towards the **achievement of favourable conservation status** and providing an adequate methodology and motivation for measuring success
- **Tailored support** from conservation experts and practitioners
- Contribute to **meeting the overall objectives of the Birds and Habitats Directives**, and achieving the target of the EU 2020 Biodiversity Strategy