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# *EU Biodiversity Strategy for 2030: EUROPARC perspective*

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**PROTECTED AREAS  
&  
PEOPLE**



# EUROPARC AND THE EU BIODIVERSITY STRATEGY FOR 2030

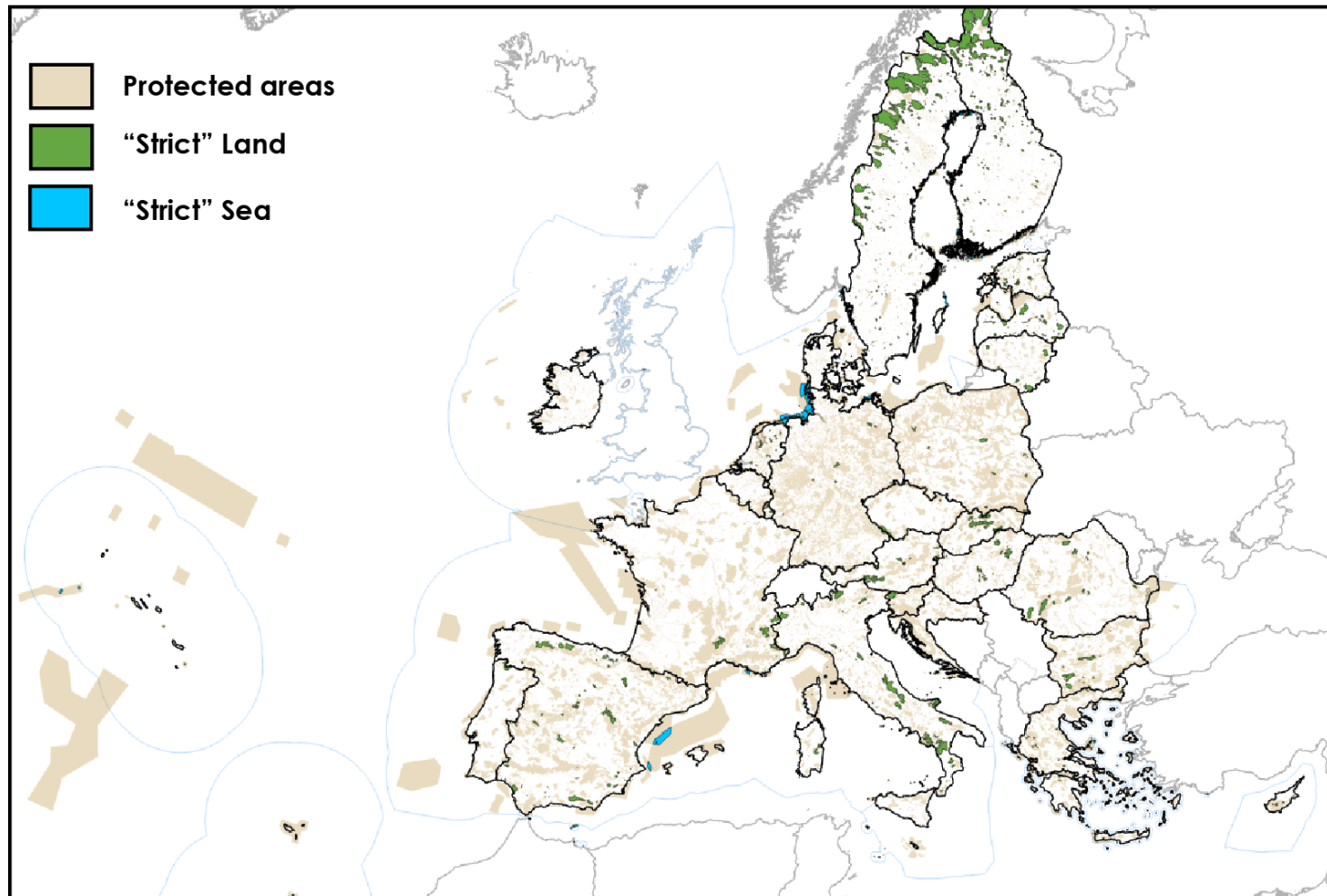
Welcome and support the strategy and targets:

- ambitious
- concrete
- integrated approach
- PAs being recognised



# BUILD A COHERENT NETWORK OF PROTECTED AREAS

## Protected areas in the EU



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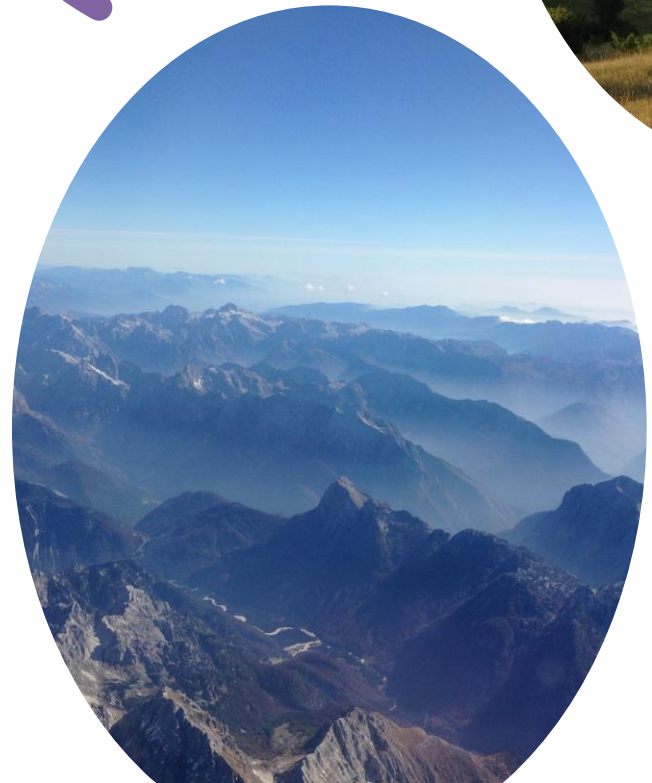


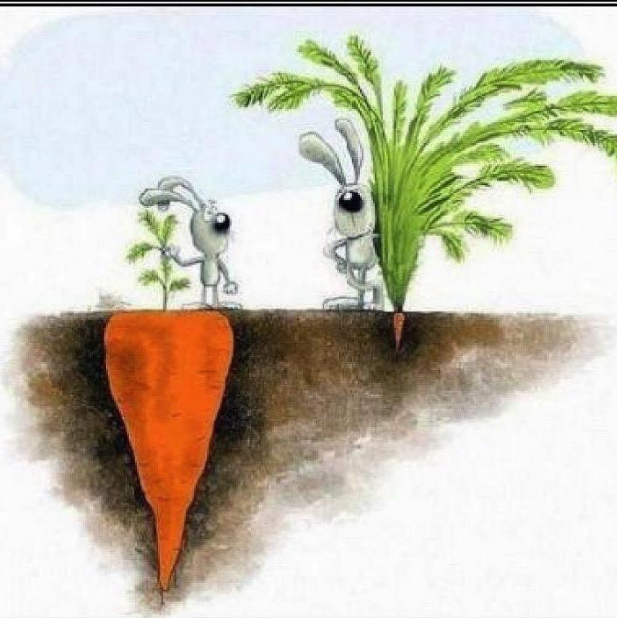
## IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 30% PAs TARGET

- Values of existing PAs to be identified and assessed
- Target all PAs, not just those only designated for conservation objectives
- New designations will be a crucial asset
- Cannot ignore challenges ahead: build ownership for the process
- Natura 2000 completion and effective implementation as a matter of priority
- Welcome priorities for urban/peri-urban areas

# STRICTLY PROTECT AT LEAST A THIRD OF THE EU'S PAs – 10%

- Welcome the target and definition!
- Non-intervention as primary approach
- Some specific management activities for restoration and conservation
- Not as new category of PA
- Do not underestimate implementation challenges
- Build understanding, support, ownership...
- Supporting investments for implementation and enforcement





**SUCCESS**

it's not always what you see



## EFFECTIVELY MANAGE ALL PROTECTED AREAS

- Management effectiveness crucial for next 10 years
- Designations (10%-30%) won't be enough
- EM: objectives, planning, resources, governance, communication, community engagement
- Not only "measuring tools"
- Develop capacity: new competences required



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## WHAT EUROPARC IS DOING AND PLANNING

- Platform for dialogue and learning exchange
- Raise awareness and capacity
- Improve management
- Contribute to achieve the 10% and 30% targets
- New and ongoing projects
- EUROPARC strategy for 2030



**THANK YOU**

