

# The EU Biodiversity Strategy for 2030

Bringing nature back into our lives

Forests

European Union



# Forests in the BDS (1)

- Increase the **quantity, quality and resilience** of EU forests
- All forests need to be preserved in **good health to retain their functions for biodiversity and climate**, as well as to provide materials, products and services for the **circular bio-economy**
- **EU Forest Strategy in 2021, building on the EU Biodiversity Strategy**
- Further development of the **Forest Information System for Europe (FISE)**, linking all EU forest-data web-platforms
- **Plant at least 3 billion additional trees** in the EU by 2030 in full respect of ecological principles, special focus on cities and agroforestry



# Forest Management

- The share of forest areas covered by **management plans** should cover all managed public forests and an increased number of private forests
- Commission to develop, in parallel with the new EU Forest Strategy, **guidelines on closer-to-nature forestry practices**
- Commission to develop, in parallel with new EU forest strategy, **guidelines on biodiversity-friendly afforestation and reforestation**
- Define, map and protect all remaining old-growth forests in the EU



# Opportunities

- **Knowledge, experience and engagement** of forest owners is needed
- **Common Agriculture Policy** – Rural Development Programmes could offer further financing possibilities to facilitate the work of foresters
- The further **intensification of forest management** needs to be discussed



# THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!



More info at:

[https://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/biodiversity/strategy/index\\_en.htm](https://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/biodiversity/strategy/index_en.htm)

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