



































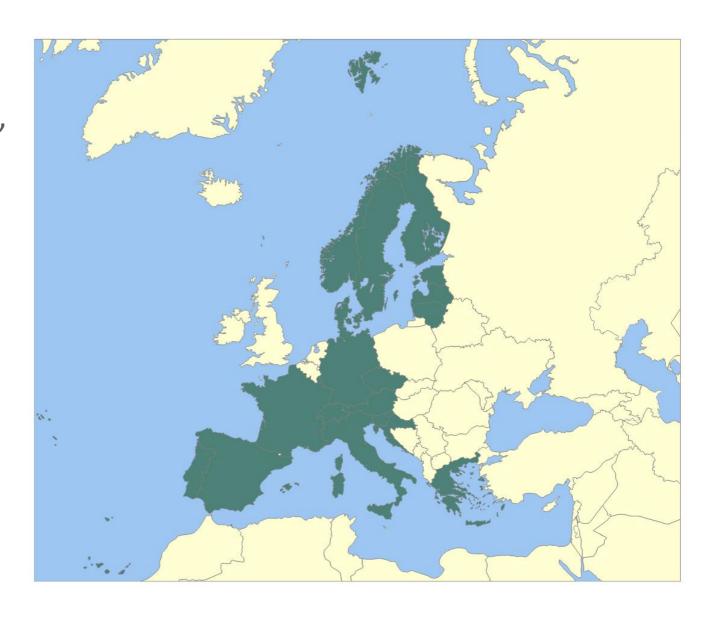
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European forest facts

182M ha (42% of EU land area)

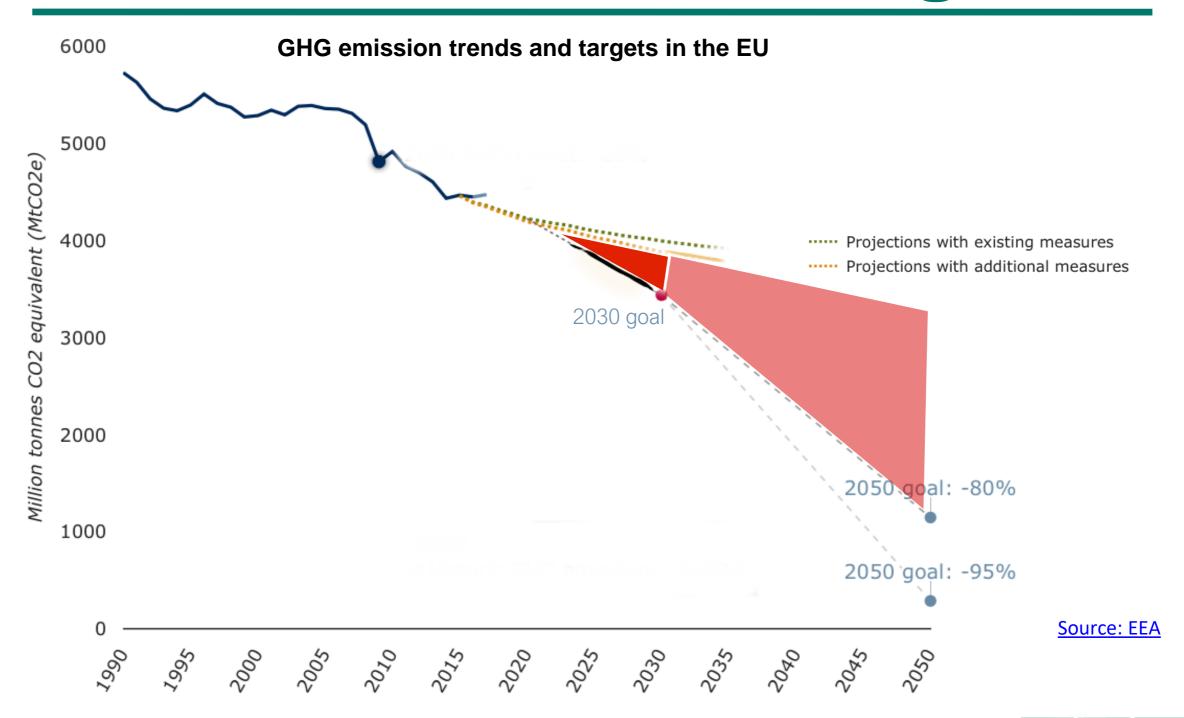
Growth in past 25 years: +9M ha, +7.4bn m³

- 60% are private
 - . 16M private forest owners
- 90% EU timber for EU wood industry
- 50% of Natura 2000 network
- 90% available for recreational purposes





On track to miss EU targets





How forests protect our climate



Forests

sequester

10% of the EU's

green house

gas emissions.



Wood

stores
carbon before
and after
harvesting.



The renewable material substitutes high-carbon material and fuels.



How climate change impacts EU forests

 Forest risks that affect EU forests, among them natural disasters, pests and diseases, are more and more common:











Source: Google image

Multiple benefits of forests



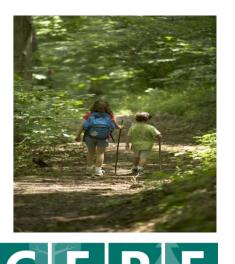


SFM is essential to mitigate climate change and ensure other benefits

- SFM Sustainable Forest Management
 Holistic approach to ensure forest activities deliver environmental, economic and social benefits.
- Active SFM is a prerequisite for climate change mitigation and adaptation:
 - improves resiliance and health of forests,
 - prevents disasters (e.g. wildfires, storm damages, landslides, floods, droughts),
 - promotes development of resilient rural areas.







EU policy puzzle: forest related policies

1979-2007 (28 years)

Birds Directive

Habitats Directive

Packaging Directive I

Water Framework Directive CAP and rural development 2007-2013

EU Forestry Strategy

EU Forest Action Plan 2007-2013

Regulation for the protection of forests against forest fires

Regulation for the protection of forests against atmospheric pollution

EU framework program 2007-2013

Plant Protection Product Directive

Forest Focus

FOREST EUROPE

Bern convention
(wildlife and natural habitats)

Aarhus
convention (access
to information and justice
on environment matters)



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DG SANTE

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EU policy puzzle: forest related policies

2020 and beyond

Birds Directive

Habitats Directive

Packaging Directive II

Water Framework Directive

EU Timber Regulation

Invasive alien species Regulation

Biodiversity Strategy to 2020

Guidance Natura 2000 and forests

Green infrastructure strategy

CAP and rural development 2014-2020

EU State Aid in the agricultural and forestry sector 2014-2020

EU Forest Strategy II

CAP post 2020

EU State Aid in the agricultural and forestry sector post 2020

Communication to protect and restore the world's forests

EU legislation to address deforestation and forest restoration?

Biodiversity Strategy to 2030

Circular Economy
Action Plan II

Single Use Plastic Directive

EU Strategy on Africa

MAES

Plastic Strategy

Microplastics legislation?

Renewable Energy
Directive (RED)

ILUC Regulation

2030 Climate and Energy framework

RED II

RED II review?

EU Strategy on Adaptation to Climate change

LULUCF

Effort Sharing Regulation

2050 long-term Strategy

EU Climate law

Horizon Europe

EU Bioeconomy Strategy II

R&I programme post 2027

Plant Protection
Product Directive

Plant Protection
Product Regulation

Plant health Regulation

Sustainable Finance Action Plan

Taxonomy Regulation

Other Green Deal announcements

- Energy Taxation Directive recast
- Carbon border tax
- New Industrial Strategy
- Strategy for Green Financing
- Sustainable Europe investment plan

Public procurement

Blue print EU FBI

Guidance on cascading use of biomass

Construction legislation?

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UN SDGs

Paris Agreement

Bonn Challenge



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EU Green deal requires a robust EU Forest strategy



New EU Forest EU Strategy **Biodiversity** EU Strategy for Climate 2030 Law **EU Strategy** Measures to on support Adaptation to deforestation Climate -free value Change chains Circular Economy Measures on **Action Plan** main drivers Renewed of Sustainable biodiversity Finance loss Strategy





Key messages

- Green Deal implementation to ensure coherence among EU forest-related policies.
- An updated and stronger EU Forest Strategy post-2020 to encompass all functions of forests.
- Recognise the positive role of Sustainable
 Forest Management and forest owners in
 EU Biodiversity Strategy to 2030 and in
 the future EU actions to tackle deforestation.
- Possibility to provide financial support in the future CAP to forest owners to contribute to forest management activities.



Thank you!

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