



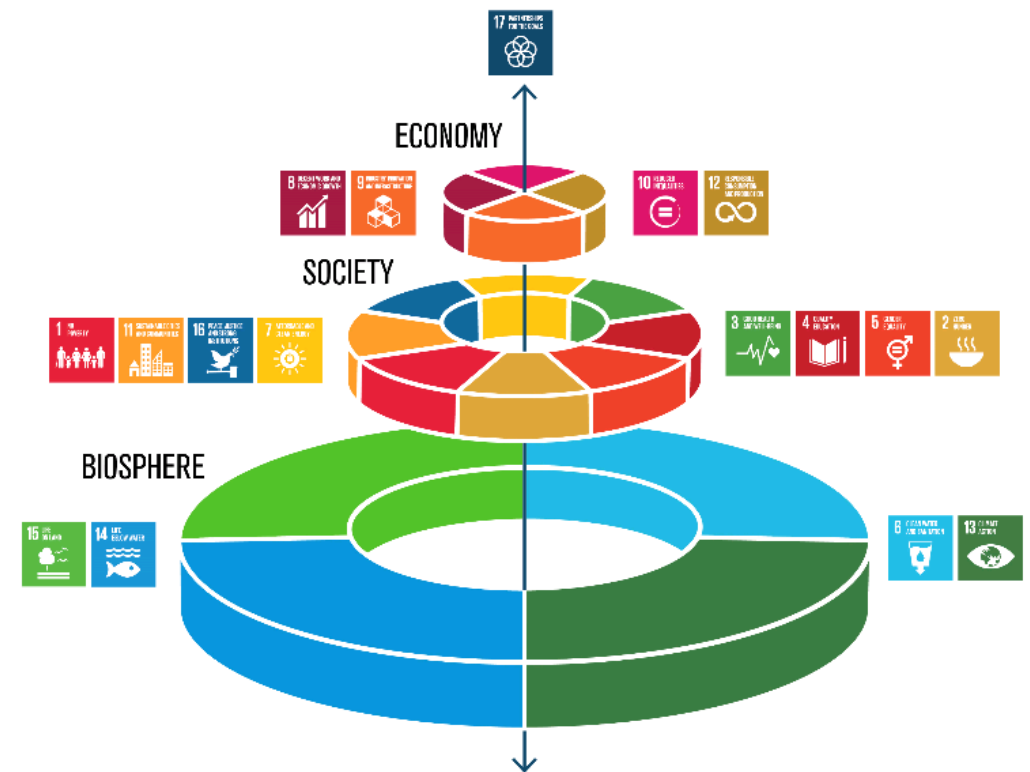
The Acquis of the EU, the Biodiversity Strategy 2030 and the Green Agenda for the Western Balkans

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Biodiversity underpins sustainable development

- Biodiversity loss: key threats for humanity
- Almost half of global GDP is linked to nature
- Connections between biodiversity loss, climate change and pandemics



| Elements of the EU Biodiversity Strategy



Protect Nature



Enable Transformative
Change



Restore Nature



EU For An Ambitious
Global Agenda



To remember...

TURN AT LEAST
30% OF EU'S LAND
AND **30%** OF SEAS INTO
EFFECTIVELY MANAGED
AND COHERENT
PROTECTED AREAS

RESTORE
**DEGRADED
ECOSYSTEMS**
AND STOP ANY
FURTHER DAMAGE
TO NATURE

RESTORE
AT LEAST
25 000 KM OF
THE EU'S RIVERS
TO BE FREE-
FLOWING

REDUCE THE
USE AND RISK OF
PESTICIDES BY AT
LEAST **50%**

TACKLE
BYCATCH
AND SEABED
DAMAGE

REVERSE THE
DECLINE OF
POLLINATORS

ESTABLISH
BIODIVERSITY-
RICH LANDSCAPE
FEATURES ON AT
LEAST **10%** OF
FARMLAND

MANAGE
25% OF
AGRICULTURAL LAND
UNDER ORGANIC FARM-
ING, AND PROMOTE THE
UPTAKE OF AGRO-ECO-
LOGICAL PRACTICES

PLANT
OVER
3 BILLION
DIVERSE,
BIODIVERSITY
RICH TREES.



Green Agenda for the Western Balkans



**Decarbonisation and
resilience**



Agri-food measures



Circular economy



Biodiversity



Depollution

October 2020

Green Agenda
guidelines
annexed to
EIP

October 2021

Brdo
Declaration

**November
2020**

Sofia
Declaration

Green Agenda for the Western Balkans



- A medium to long term process
- Key is implementation, across the board
- Everybody's responsibility - CSOs have a key role to play
- Not only about financing

Thank you!

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