

VALTIONEUVOSTO STATSRÅDET

Uniform format for the national restoration plans

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- Article 15(7) of the Regulation requires the Commission to establish, by means of implementing acts, a uniform format for the national restoration plan.
- "The uniform format is a comprehensive planning support tool, set up to closely follow the requirements of the Regulation, while supporting Member States in the implementation phase and allowing for comparability across Member States. It allows for the structured presentation of the necessary data and information in a step-by-step manner."
- The fields that are optional for Member States to provide some contextual information useful for the overall comprehension constitute about 46 % of the overall number of fields.
- The format will be implemented on the existing Reportnet3 EEA platform, which is a modern digital tool, including possibilities for pre-filling information available to the EEA through other workstreams. These elements concern overall roughly 10 % of all fields.
- The platform allows exporting the reported data as e.g. a text document (word or pdf) in order to be printed or also as an excel for other uses.



- Financial information
 - The summary financial information in part A allows an overview of the estimated financial needs (per indicated period) for certain horizontal measures and measures taken per ecosystem in the frame of the regulation as well as 'Other' measures '.
 - Financial information in Part C, i.e. at the level of the measures, is structured in the same way as the one in Part A but is optional, while financial information at national level in part A is mandatory.
- Some restoration measures implemented or started before 18 August 2024 may have not yet reached their full effect on ecosystem condition. In case such measures are included in the national restoration plan, the following conditions should be considered:
 - the measure is corresponding to the definition of restoration provided in Article 3(3), and
 - the measure is showing the envisaged improvement-effect but the intended full impact of the measure (e.g. full recovery to the good condition of an area of a habitat type or reaching satisfactory levels for the indicators referred to in Articles 8 to 12) has not been achieved yet.

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- Consists of three interrelated parts:
 - Part A contains information that is transversal to the different targets of the Nature Restoration Regulation: general information about the plan, consideration of the diversity of situations in various regions, as well as the contribution to the Regulation's overarching objectives. It provides an overview of co-benefits and links with other policies, as well as aggregated financial information. It also includes elements on the monitoring, the effectiveness assessment and the revision of measures.
 - **Part B** covers national targets and obligation by article, across the ecosystems-specific Articles 4 to 13 and Article 18 of the Regulation
 - **Part C** aims to identify the specific measures, in particular restoration measures, that will be put in place to achieve the targets and fulfil the obligations set out in the Regulation. Since a measure may be relevant to the targets and obligations of different articles, the description of measures also provides for specifying the different contributions of a measure to one or more targets and obligations. Member States have flexibility in choosing the granularity of the measures selected, at national, sub-national or project level, or at a combination of these levels.
 - Additional Information fields are provided to include observations and revision to the draft national restoration plan

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Technical background notes

- Typology of measures:
 - The typology aims to classify the measures included in Part C by using a standardised non-exhaustive list of types of measures, leaving for Member States also an option to indicate "other" types of measures where needed.
- General ecosystem typology:
 - The typology is envisaged to be used in the national restoration plan (NRP) for structuring the financial information, for the information on measures as well as in the section on the habitats of species
 - The typology is meant as a coarse grouping for practical use and therefore contains only few categories.