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**Submission by the EU and its Member States to CBD Notification 2019-003**

**Information regarding Financial Reporting Frameworks from EU and its Member States**

The EU and its Member States recall their submission to Notification 2017-009, providing information on financial resource mobilisation flows up to 2015. These comments provide an update based on further individual submissions since then.

The updated data on **international flows** confirm that the EU and its Member States have maintained their efforts to fulfil their commitment towards CBD resource mobilisation targets. Together, the EU and its Member States have made a strong contribution to the global international target agreed in Hyderabad and reiterated in PyeongChang, and doubled their contribution by 2015 overall, compared to their baseline (see Table 1b). Although very limited data are available after 2015,`previously reported likely indicate towards a continued increase. Some further progress has been made on the accuracy of the data and on methodologies. However, the differences in approaches still do not allow for full comparability of contributions from Member States.

The data on **domestic flows** confirm positive trends in several EU Member States and in the EU budget (see Table 2), including a very significant contribution from the EU Common Agricultural Policy (CAP), in particular after 2014, when a greening component was introduced in the first pillar of the CAP.

Finland prepared a thorough analysis of its **funding needs and gaps** [[1]](#footnote-2). The analysis focuses on 105 measures that make part of the national Action Plan, including actions across ministries and policy areas.

Biodiversity considerations were integrated in the Commission’s proposals for the Multiannual Financial Framework for 2021-2027, and for the EU Funds and Programmes. It includes a significant increase for the proposed budget for LIFE, the dedicated instrument for catalysing the implementation of EU environment and climate objectives. Under the priority area Nature and Biodiversity, new Strategic Nature Projects (SNaPs) were introduced, with a specific focus on mainstreaming nature and biodiversity objectives into other policies and financing instruments.

The work on assessment and evaluation of ecosystem values has continued at Member State and EU level. Information on progress and latest results of the EU initiative on mapping and assessing ecosystems and their services (MAES) can be found at <http://biodiversity.europa.eu/maes>. All EU Member States are now actively involved in mapping and assessing the state of ecosystems and their services in their national territory. Several methodological reports have been published, including the 5th MAES report[[2]](#footnote-3), which provides an analytical framework and indicators to map and assess ecosystem condition.

A review[[3]](#footnote-4) of Member State progress on assessing the values of ecosystems and their services identified valuation activities in 15 Member States. Examples include the French Assessment of Ecosystems and Ecosystem Services (EFESE), the Spanish National Ecosystem Assessment, the UK National Ecosystem Assessment and its follow-on, the Integrated assessment of ecosystem services in the Czech Republic, and TEEB for Finland.

Work on natural capital accounting (NCA) is ongoing [[4]](#footnote-5). The EU Knowledge Investment Project on an Integrated system (KIP INCA) involves all the main knowledge partners at EU level, as well as in several Member States. Several reports and a number of pilot accounts are now available. A number of initiatives were launched to build capacity and support member states in developing ecosystem accounts at the national level, through grants to national statistical offices and Horizon 2020 coordination and support action.

Towards the end of 2019 a first draft of an EU wide assessment of ecosystems and their services will be released, which will inform the final evaluation of the EU Biodiversity Strategy to 2020 and the post-2020 biodiversity policy frameworks.

Furthermore, guidance on integrating ecosystems and their services into planning and decision-making, foreseen under the EU Action Plan on Nature, People and the Economy, is due to be published in spring 2019, along with Guidance on a strategic framework for further supporting the deployment of EU-level green and blue infrastructure, including through the support of different EU sectoral funds and programmes.

The private sector's contribution to biodiversity financing remains indispensable for achieving the biodiversity objectives in the EU. The Community of Practice on Biodiversity and Finance under the EU Business & Biodiversity Platform is continuing its work[[5]](#footnote-6). Four projects under the Natural Capital Financing Facility managed by the European Investment Bank have been signed and several other projects are in the pipeline[[6]](#footnote-7).

At global level, the EU continues to support and participate in the World Bank-led project WAVES (along with FR, UK, DE and NL amongst other donors) and the UNSD-led project on Natural Capital Accounting and Valuation of Ecosystem Services.

The Partnership Instrument action for implementing TEEB AgriFood in emerging economies "Promoting biodiversity and sustainability in the agriculture and food sector through economic valuation” is being implemented in Brazil, China, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico and Thailand. It supports knowledge adoption and application of the Natural Capital Protocol by the agri-business community. The action will include also roundtables and networks of the business sector and action by private corporates, notably via the Natural Capital Protocol.

**Table 1.a Overview of international financial flows related to biodiversity up to 2015, by EU Member States and Institutions (million Euros) – Updates since March 2017 are indicated in bold.** *Figures are based on the individual financial reports to the CBD and reflect the state of reporting at the time of the finalisation of this submission.*

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| **Country or Institution** | **2006-2010 Average** | **2011** | **2012** | **2013** | **2014** | **2015** |
| **ODA** | **OOF** | **Other F.** | **Total** | **ODA** | **OOF** | **Other F.** | **Total** | **ODA** | **OOF** | **Other F.** | **Total** | **ODA** | **OOF** | **Other F.** | **Total** | **ODA** | **OOF** | **Other F.** | **Total** | **ODA** | **OOF** | **Other F.** | **Total** |
| AT | 13.1 |  |  | 13.1 | 11.9  |   |   | 11.9  | 8.5  |   |   | 8.5  | 29.1  |   |   | 29.1 | 10.5 |   | 0.1 | 10.6 | 18.0 |  | 0.5 | 18.5 |
| BE |  |  |  |  |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| BG |  |  |  |  | 0.044  |   |   | 0.044 |   |   |   |  | 0.020  |   |   | 0.020 | 0 |   |   | 0 | **0.111** |  |  | **0.111** |
| HR | 0.015  |  |  | 0.015  | 0.029 |  |   | 0.029 | 0.033  |  |   | 0.033 | 0.039 |  |   | 0.039 | 0.046 |  |  | 0.046 | 0.056 |  |  | 0.056 |
| CY |  |  |  |  |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| CZ | 1.95 | 0.14 |  | 2.1 | 1.9  | 0.3 |   | 2.2 | 2.4 | 0.6 |   | 3 | 1.6 | 1.3 |   | 2.9 |  1.4  | 1.2 |   | 2.6 | 1.7 | 0.4 |  | 2.1 |
| DK | 78.9 |  |  | 78.9 | 75.7  |   |   | 75.7 | 63.7 |  |   | 63.7 | 110.8 |  |   | 110.8 | 163.2 |   |   | 163.2 | 88.2 |  |  | 88.2 |
| EU | 166.0 | 0.3 |  | 166.3 |  125.9  |  |   | 125.9  | 393.9  |  3.0  |   | 396.9  | 313.1  | 6.2  |   | 319.3  | **148.3**  | **0.4** |  | **148.7** | **327.28** |  **7**  |  | **334.2** |
| EE | 0.014 |  |  | 0.014 | 0.056 |   |   | 0.056  |   |   |   |  |  |   |   |  | 0.130  |   |   | 0.130  | 0.323 |  |  | 0.323 |
| FI | 14.6  |  |  | 14.6  | 26.9  |   |   | 26.9  | 22.6  |   |   | 22.6  | 18.1  |   |   | 18.1 | 15.5 |   |   | 15.5 | 23.5 |  |  | 23.5 |
| FR | 105.7 |  |  | 105.7 | 114.7  |   |   | 114.7  | 173.6  |   |   | 173.6  | 226.5  |   |   | 226.5  | 187.6  |   | 17.2  | 204.8  | 270.9 |  | 29.3 | 300.2 |
| DE | 194 |  |  | 194 | 499 |  |   | 499 | 533  |  |   |  533  | 552  |  |   | 552  | 509.8  |  |   | 509.8  | 537.9 |  |  | 537.9 |
| EL | 2.86 |  |  | 2.86 | 0.03 |   |  | 0.03 | 0.5 |   |   | 0.5 | 0.43 |   |   | 0.43 | 0.2 |   |   | 0.2 | 0.27 |  |  | 0.27 |
| HU |  | 0.02 |  | 0.02 |  | 0.01 |  | 0.01 |  | 0.01 |  | 0.01 |  | 0.017 |  | 0.017 | 1.26 | 0.01 | 0.005 | 1.27 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| IE | 26.8  |  |  | 26.8  | 20.6  |   |   | 20.6  | 21.6  |   |   | 21.6  | 15.0  |   |   | 15.0  | 15.0  |   |   | 15.0  |  |  |  |  |
| IT | 19.6 |  |  | 19.6 | 25.5 |  |  | 25.5 | 25.1 |  |  | 25.1 | 30.1 |  |  | 30.1 | 28.9 |   |  | 28.9 | 36.6 |  |  | 36.6 |
| LV | 0.04  |  |  | 0.04  | 0.01 |  |  | 0.01 | 0.17  |   |   | 0.17  | 0.02  |   |   | 0.02  | 0.22  |   |   | 0.22 | 0.20 |  |  | 0.20 |
| LT |  |  |  |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| LU | 2.5 |  |  | 2.5 | 3.93  |   |   | 3.93  | 9.58 |   |   | 9.58 | 8.96  |   |   | 8.96  | 11.84  |   |   | 11.84  | 8.72 |  |  | 8.72 |
| MT |  |  |  |  |   |   |   |  | 0.028 |  |  | 0.028 | 0.015 |  |  | 0.015 | 0.08 |  |   | 0.08 | 0.082 |  |  | 0.082 |
| NL | 106.3 |  |  | 106.3 | 64.9  |   |   | 64.9  | 90.8  |   |   | 90.8  | 74.5  |   |   | 74.5  | 62.1  |   |   | 62.1  | 51.0 |  |  | 51.0 |
| PL | 1.1 |  |  | 1.1 | 1.7 |   |   | 1.7 | 1.6 |   |   | 1.6 | 1.8 |   |   | 1.8 | 1.9 |   |   | 1.9 | 2.16 |  |  | 2.16 |
| PT |  4.1  |  |  |  4.1  |  3.4  |   |   | 3.4  | 1.5  |   |   | 1.5  | 1.0  |   |   | 1.0  |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| RO |  |  |  |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| SK | 0.2 |  |  | 0.2 |  0.3  |   |   |  0.3  |  0.5  |   |   |  0.5  |  0.5  |   |   |  0.5  |  0.7  |   |   |  0.7  | 1.4 |  |  | 1.4 |
| SI | 0.4 |  |  | 0.4 | 0.3 |  |   | 0.3 | 0.3 |  |   | 0.3 | 0.3 |  |   | 0.3 | 0.3  |   |   | 0.3 | 0.27 | 0.001 |  | 0.27 |
| ES | 50.6  |  |  |  50.6 | 23.8  |  |   | 23.8  |  6  |  |   |  6  |  23.9  |  |   |  23.9 | 44.1 |   |   | 44.1 | 25.2 |  |  | 25.2 |
| SE | 56.0  |  |  | 56.0 |  |   |   |  |  |   |   |  | 107.5 |   |   | 107.5 | 100.1 |   |   | 100.1 | 99.1 |  |  | 99.1 |
| UK | 48.5 | 50.4 |  | 98.2 | 121 | **44.9** |  | **165.9** | 60.2 | **50.4** |  | **110.6** | 57.65 | **50.6** |  | **108.2** | 176,1 | **57** |  | **233.1** | **188.7** | **60.6** |  | **249.3** |
| Index |  |  |  | **100** |  |  |  | **132** |  |  |  | **160** |  |  |  | **168** |  |  |  | **160** |  |  |  | **207\*** |

*Source:* reports from *https://www.cbd.int/financial/reporting.shtml*

*Note:* Figures are in million €. Totals may not match due to rounding. ODA = official development assistance; OOF = other official flows.

*Highlighted in grey: No country report available in CHM; no data in country report*

*For countries that reported in national currency or USD, the average annual exchange rates are based on OECD data (*[*https://data.oecd.org/conversion/exchange-rates.htm*](https://data.oecd.org/conversion/exchange-rates.htm)*). .Changes in the exchange rate may outweigh changes in absolute figures in the national currency. E.g., for Sweden, the amount in SEK actually increased between 2014 and 2015.*

*\* The index provides an indication of the trend of how the EU and MS together are contributing to the global target. For 2015, the index compares the sum of the 2015 value with the sum of the baseline taking account only those countries for which 2015 data has been included and therefore do not represent a complete overview of the commitments from EU and its member states*

**Table 1.b Overview of international financial flows related to biodiversity from 2015, by EU Member States and Institutions (million Euros) – Updates since March 2017 are indicated in bold.** *Figures are based on the individual financial reports to the CBD and reflect the state of reporting at the time of the finalisation of this submission.*

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| **Country or Institution** | **2016** | **2017** | **2018** |
| **ODA** | **OOF** | **Other F.** | **Total** | **ODA** | **OOF** | **Other F.** | **Total** | **ODA** | **OOF** | **Other F.** | **Total** |
| AT | **143.3** | **3.5** | **0.7** | **147.5** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| BE |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |
| BG | 0 |  |  |  | 0 |  |  |  | 0 |  |  |  |
| HR | 0.071 |  |  | 0.071 | 0.051 |  |  | 0.051 | 0.045 |   |   | 0.045 |
| CY |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |
| CZ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| DK |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| EU |  **379.7**  | **6.4** |  | **386.1** | **702.5**  | **9.5**  |  | **712** | **699.2** | **17.7** |  | **716.9** |
| EE | 0.027 |   |   | 0.027 | 0.72  |   |   | 0.72 |  |   |   |  |
| FI | 12.27  |   |   | 12.27  | 8.13 |   |   | 8.13 |  |  |  |  |
| FR |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| DE | 569 |  |  |  | 537.1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| EL |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| HU |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| IE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| IT | 37.7 |  | 1.8 | 39.5 | 64.9 |  | 2.6 | 67.5 |  |  |  |  |
| LV |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| LT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| LU |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| MT | 0.0607 |  |  |  | 0.0092 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| NL |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PL | 2.243 |  |  |  | 2.297 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| RO |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SK |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SI |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ES | 28.9 |  |   | 28.9  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SE | 113.8 |   |   | 113.8 | 126.23 |   |   | 126.23 |  |  |  |  |
| UK |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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*Note:* Figures are in million €. Totals may not match due to rounding. ODA = official development assistance; OOF = other official flows.

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*For countries that reported in national currency or USD, the average annual exchange rates are based on OECD data (*[*https://data.oecd.org/conversion/exchange-rates.htm*](https://data.oecd.org/conversion/exchange-rates.htm)*). .Changes in the exchange rate may outweigh changes in absolute figures in the national currency. .*

**Table 2. Overview of domestic financial flows related to biodiversity, by EU Member States and Institutions (million Euros) –** *Figures are based on the individual financial reports to the CBD and reflect the state of reporting at the time of the finalisation of this submission.*

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|  | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** | **2013** | **2014** | **2015** | **2016** | **2017** | **2018** |
| AT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 41.3 |   |  |  |
| BE |  |  |  |  |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |   |
| BG | 14.13  | 20.13  | 31.65 | 20.57 | 14.78 | 8.94 | 15.94 | 36.28 | 70.96 | 48.96 | 3.50 | 3.80 | 1.70 |
| HR | 61.6 | 65.89 | 69.8 | 69.98 | 73.22 | 69.06 | 71.76 | 73.25 | 81.43 |  |  |  |  |
| CY |  |  |  |  |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |   |
| CZ | 66.28 | 46.32 | 44.01 | 57.04 | 78.52 | 69.21 | 56.7 | 56.1 | 59.13 | 64.99 |  |  |  |
| DK | 163.37 | 154.82 | 208.2 | 194.87 | 150.36 | 248.15 | 293.23 | 348.07 | 338.17 |  |  |  |  |
| EU | 5 731.4 | 5 731.4 | 5 731.4 | 5 731.4 | 5 731.4 | 5 731.4 | 5 731.4 | 5 731.4 | 6 806.7 | 11 214.1 | 14 059.7 | 12 378 | 12 799.1 |
| EE |  |  |  |  | 166.3 | 150.76  |   |  | 177.74  | 118.92  |   |  |  |
| FI | 1 972.5 | 2 096.1 | 2 207.5 | 2 198.4 | 2 189.5 | 2 282.7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| FR | 1 490 | 1 579 | 1 679 | 1789 | 1 915 | 2 107 | 2 207 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| DE |  |  |  |  | 1 190 | 1 250 | 1 320 | 1 360 | 1 400 | 1 440 | 1543 |  |  |
| EL |  | 53.6 | 57.9 | 49.37 | 77.2 | 104.51 | 97 | 112.03 |  |  |  |  |  |
| HU |  | 13.47 | 18.93 | 19.74 | 18.36 | 14.68 | 17.23 | 16.37 | 8.79 | 8.85 |  |  |  |
| IE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| IT | 1 427.3 | 1 429.5 | 1 522.9 | 1 518.9 | 1 405.3 | 1 401.0 | 1208.7 | 1 394.9 | 1 408.6 | 1 433.3 |  |  |  |
| LV |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| LT |  |  |  |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| LU |  |  |  |  |  |  | 29 | 30 | 31 | 32 |  |  |  |
| MT | 13.03 | 13.76 | 14.71 | 14.14 | 17.79 | 17.52 | 16.88 | 18.04 | 18.40  | 18.21  | 18.55 | 22.25 |  |
| NL |  | 1 492 | 1 709 | 1 892 | 1 880 | 1 825 | 1 597 | 1 707 | 1 610 | 1 455 |  |  |  |
| PL |  |  |  |  |  | 268.38 | 300.74 | 324.69 | 319.28 | 194.16  | 457.94 | 288.20 |  |
| PT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| RO |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SK |  |  |  |  |  |  | 32 | 33 | 64 |  |  |  |  |
| SI |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ES | 1 605 | 1 848 | 1 908 | 2 257 | 1 667 | 1 422 | 1 296 | 1 090 | 1 114 | 1 224 |  |  |  |
| SE |  |  |  |  | 531.33 |  |  |  |  | 758.84 |  |  |  |
| UK | 628.21 | 764.63 | 698.07 | 612.34 | 876.36 | 796.2 | 856.66 | 873.01 | 885.45 | 623.83 |  |  |  |

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2. <http://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/knowledge/ecosystem_assessment/pdf/5th%20MAES%20report.pdf> [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
3. Ling et al., 2018). [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
4. <http://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/capital_accounting/index_en.htm> [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
5. <http://ec.europa.eu/environment/biodiversity/business/workstreams/finance/index_en.htm> [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
6. <http://www.eib.org/products/blending/ncff/index.htm> [↑](#footnote-ref-7)