



# Strategic Plan for the Bern Convention for the period to 2030

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- Goals (and Vision) already agreed at StC41 (2021)
- Structure after 8<sup>th</sup> draft (StC42, 2022), some sections moved to annexes - helps focus on goals & targets

- Introduction Convention mandates; purpose of the Plan
- Top priorities for action to 2030; accountability framework; communication tool
- Need for intensified responses to biodiversity crisis; the role of Bern
- Alignment with / contribution to other agendas, notably the K-M Global Biodiversity Framework



#### **ANNEXES:**

- How actions will lead to results; and some assumptions
- Implementation capacity, resources, responsibilities



 Interpretation of terms & concepts (glossary); consistent with other processes



#### THE TARGETS:

- \* Principles:
  - Alignment, particularly with K-M GBF
  - Streamlining (limited number of essential priority items)



- Final wordings, after 2.5 years of discussion & refinement!
- Addressing each of the goals (habitats & areas, including Emerald Network and Case Files; species; people; capacity & resources)



## **TWO BRACKETED PASSAGES TO RESOLVE:**

 Target 1.2 – source of sufficiency target for the Emerald Network



Coverage of natural habitats by the Emerald Network<sup>6</sup> meets the sufficiency targets set for [2030 in the post-2020 Work Plan for] the Network<sup>7</sup>.

• Target 1.5 – resolving Case Files



Specific recommendations arising from individual Case Files are followed up and acted upon; and cases are resolved and closed [within timeframes set by the Standing Committee] [within a reasonable timeframe, taking account of any advice provided by the Standing Committee]<sup>8,9</sup>.



## **ASSESSING PROGRESS:**

#### \* Principles:

- Pragmatic small selection of best measures (= sampling, not comprehensively assessing everything)
- Use of existing processes
- No unnecessary new reporting burdens
- Assessing achievement of the *Plan*; not comparing Parties' performance
- Further work to operationalise some of the indicators (see draft Recommendation T-PVS(2023)20)





 A proper strategy to live up to the Reykjavík Declaration



- Looking ahead more than just one or two years...



 A set of ambitions to *drive* enhanced policies and actions, not just describe existing ones



## \* Principle:

 Discretion as to implementation methods, according to national circumstances (not prescriptive) - but a shared imperative to ensure the overall outcomes are achieved

Historic moment !

Thank you !!

