

BiodivERsA Policy Brief #3 – NATURA 2000 AND EUROPE’S FORESTS

Knowledge and methodology used

1. Knowledge, skills and people consulted

The Policy Brief “Natura 2000 and Europe’s forests: understanding and tackling implementation challenges” is based on the scientific results of the [BeFoFu project](#) funded by the BiodivERsA network. The Brief extracts and summarizes the key results of the project and provides a list of relevant policy recommendations linked to current EU policy processes.

The project results were provided to the policy brief production team by the PI (project leader) Georg Winkel. The policy recommendations were identified following consultations involving the PI and his team and selected experts (names and methodology explained more in detail below). The BiodivERsA Policy Briefs Group, composed by representatives of BiodivERsA partners, checked and commented on the brief before publication.

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2. Methodology used

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