



Therefore, we are pleased to hear about commitments such as strengthened nature conservation systems, new and more effective protected areas with improved management, effective implementation of relevant EU policies, improved cross-border and cross-sectoral cooperation as well as an increased recognition of the natural capital concept. All this makes a good case and a strong argument for nature conservation. Achieving these goals requires new and additional financial resources. Not only do the countries have a mandate to do so at the national level, our joint task is to work together in order to effectively contribute to the international goals set out in the CBD's Strategic P