

### **Comprehensive new Biodiversity Strategy**

On 20 May 2020 the European Commission adopted and presented to the public a comprehensive Biodiversity Strategy to bring nature back into our lives and a Farm to Fork Strategy for a fair, healthy and environmentally friendly food system. The two strategies are mutually reinforcing, bringing together nature, farmers, business and consumers for jointly working towards a competitively sustainable future.

Key pillars are replacing voluntary schemes by legally binding legislation, aiming at establishing protected areas for 30% of land in Europe, and 30% of seas in Europe, and unlocking €20 billion per year for biodiversity through various sources, including EU funds and national and private funding.

Particular emphasis is put on the business case for biodiversity.

EWA News presents you the main elements of the strategy as well as reactions by media, think tanks and NGOs.