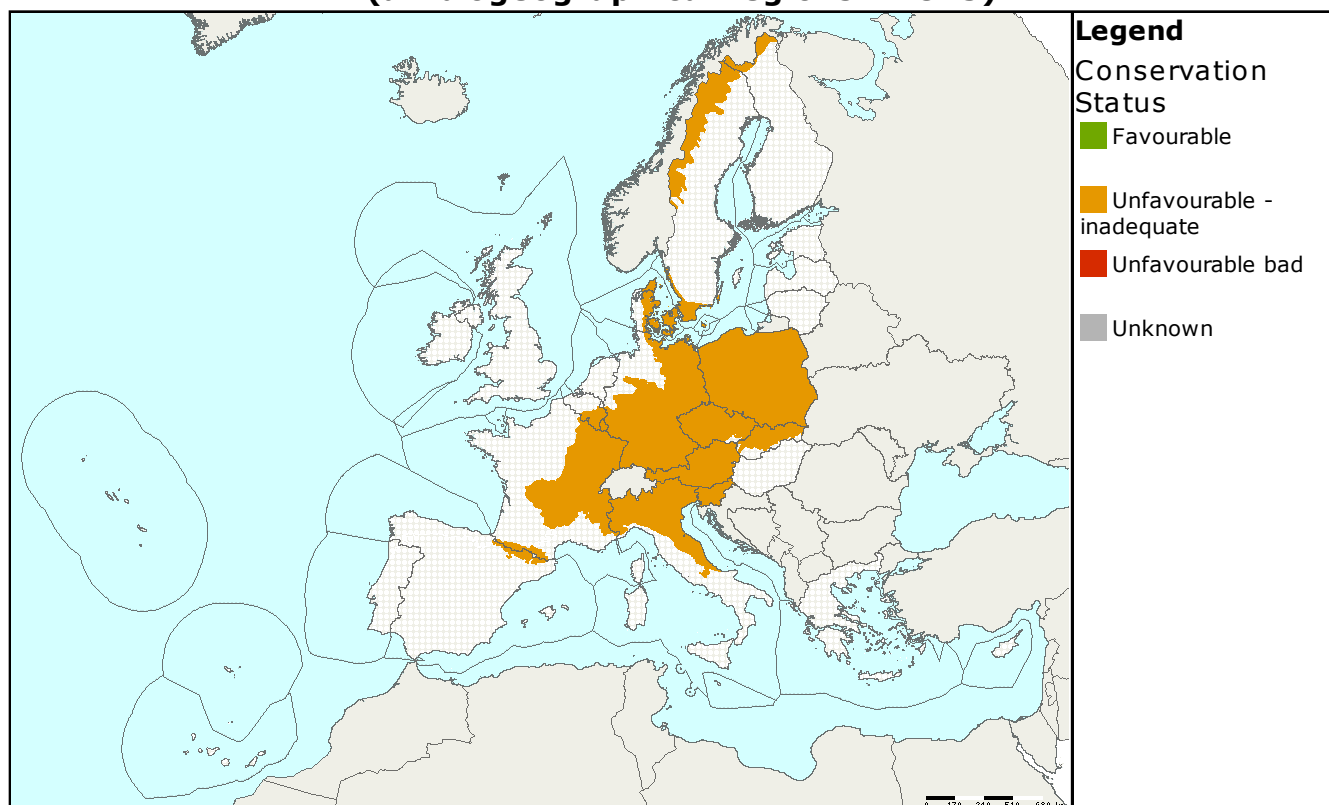


Species name: **Proteus anguinus**
Annex: **II*, IV**

Species group: **Amphibians & Reptiles**
Regions: **ALP CON**

Assessments of conservation status at the European level (all biogeographical regions - EU25)



MS	Region	Conservation status assessment					Population size & unit	Population Trend
		Range	Population	Habitat	Future prospects	Overall		
EU25	ALP							-
EU25	CON						32 grids	

An olm species occurring in the karst areas along the eastern coast of Adriatic Sea. Its natural range spreads from Northern Italy to Herzegovina. It can be found in underground water systems in karst formations. It prefers calm, well oxygenated and cold water.

The conservation status in both the Continental and the Mediterranean biogeographical regions is 'unfavourable inadequate'; the population size and the area of habitat are decreasing. The species reacts very sensitively to the changes of its environment. The major threat is a water pollution which can result from various human activities in watershed.

Assessments of conservation status as reported by Member states (all biogeographical regions - EU25)



MS	Region	Conservation status assessment					Size&unit	Population trend	Data quality
		Range	Population	Habitat	Future prospects	Overall			
SI	ALP						N/A x	-	3
IT	CON						4 - 6 grids	=	2
SI	CON						N/A x	-	3

Data quality is based on as assessment by each Member State, 1 = good, 2 = medium, 3 = poor

This information is derived from the Member State national reports submitted to the European Commission under Article 17 of the Habitats Directive in 2007 and covering the period 2001-2006. More detailed information is available at <http://biodiversity.eionet.europa.eu/article17>