



9070 *Fennoscandian wooded pastures*

Habitat code	9070
Priority	No
Habitat group	Forests
Regions	Alpine, Boreal, Continental

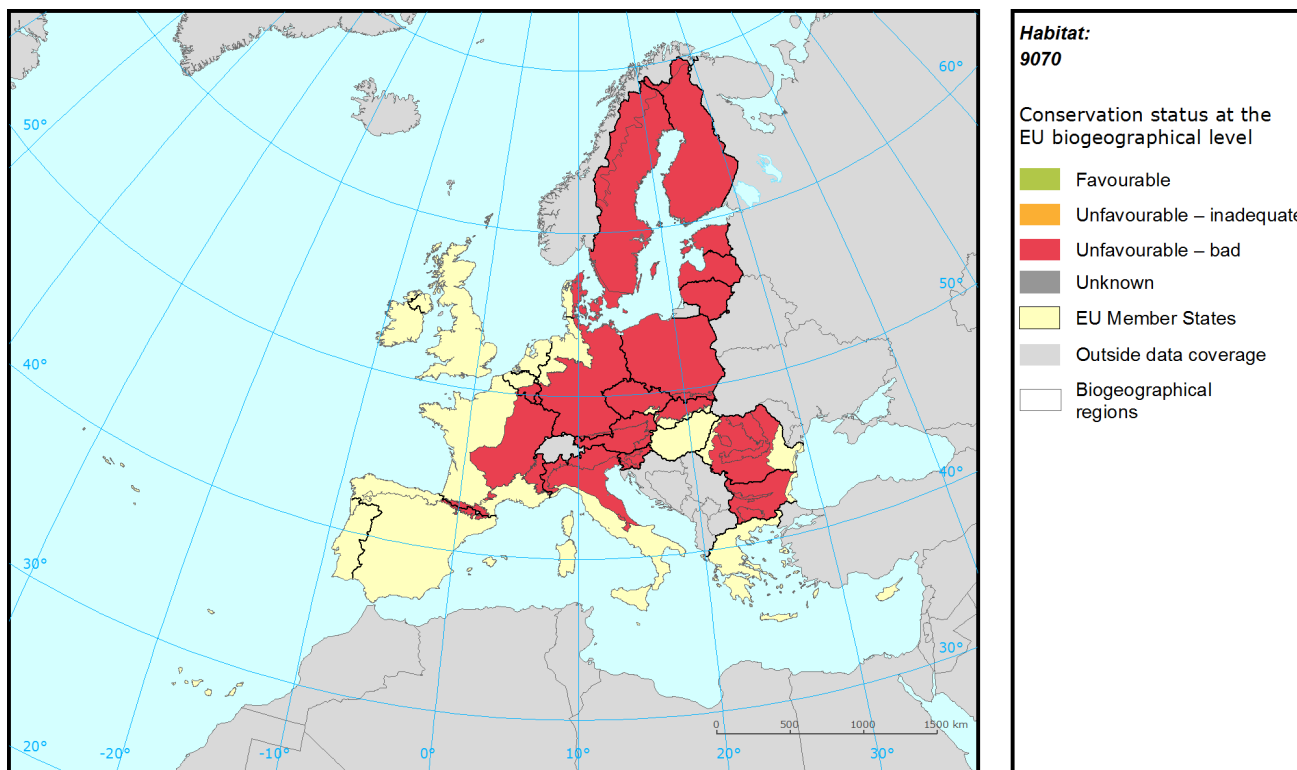
Wooded pastures are usually dominated by birch (*Betula* spp), pine (*Pinus sylvestris*), alder (*Alnus incana*) or spruce (*Picea abies*); in hemi-boreal zone there are also subtypes dominated by oak (*Quercus robur*), ash (*Fraxinus excelsior*) or hazel (*Corylus avellana*). The major ecological factor determining this type of habitat is continuous use as pasture. It is composed of a mosaic of forest, sparse trees and open grasslands.

The conservation status in all bioregions is "unfavourable bad", the area of the habitat is declining and much lower than favourable and structure and function are in "bad" status. The habitat is dependant on management measures. Abandonment of use as pasture and inappropriate forestry management represent major threats.

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Assessment of conservation status at the European biogeographical level



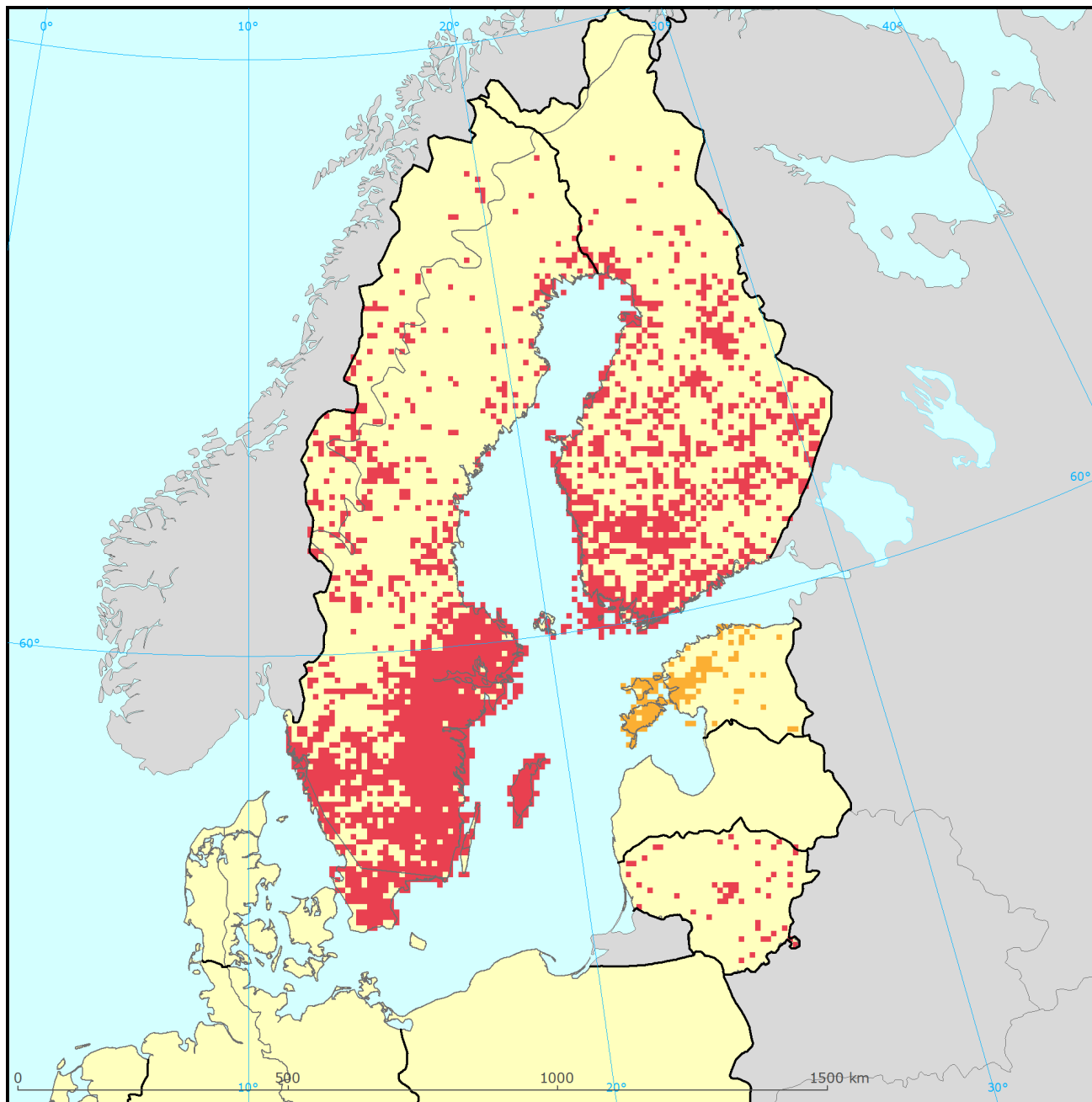
Region	Conservation status (CS) of parameters				Current CS	Trend in CS	% in region	Previous CS	Reason for change
	Range	Area	Structure & Functions	Future prospects					
ALP	FV	U2	U2	U2	U2	-	3	U2	
BOR	U1	U2	U2	U2	U2	-	92	U2	
CON	FV	U2	U2	U2	U2	-	5	U2	

See the endnote for more informationⁱ

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



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Assessment of conservation status at the Member State level



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Distribution and conservation status at the Member State level

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|  Favourable |  EU Member States |
|  Unfavourable – inadequate |  Outside data coverage |
|  Unfavourable – bad |  Biogeographical region |
|  Unknown | |

The map shows both Conservation Status and distribution using a 10 km x 10 km grid. Conservation status is assessed at biogeographical level. Therefore the representation in each grid cell is only illustrative.

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MS	Region	Conservation status (CS) of parameters				Current CS	Trend in CS	% in region	Previous CS	Reason for change
		Range	Area	Structure & functions	Future prospects					
SE	ALP	FV	U2	U2	U2	-	100.0	U2-		
EE	BOR	FV	FV	U1	U1	=	5.4	U1		
FI	BOR	U1	U2	U2	U2	-	38.6	U2	Better data	
LT	BOR	FV	U2	U2	U2	-	2.1	U2-		
SE	BOR	U1	U2	U2	U2	-	53.9	U2-		
SE	CON	FV	U2	U2	U2	-	100.0	U2-		

Knowing that not all changes in conservation status between the reporting periods were genuine, Member States were asked to give the reasons for changes in conservation status. Bulgaria and Romania only joined the EU in 2007 and Greece did not report for 2007-12 so no reason is given for change for these countries. Greek data shown above is from 2001-06.

Main pressures and threats reported by Member States

Member States were asked to report the 20 most important threats and pressures using an agreed hierarchical list which can be found on the [Article 17 Reference Portal](#). Pressures are activities which are currently having an impact on the habitats and threats are activities expected to have an impact in the near future. Pressures and threats were ranked in three classes 'high, medium and low importance'; the tables below only show threats and pressures classed as 'high', for some habitats there were less than ten threats or pressures reported as highly important.

Ten most frequently reported 'highly important' pressures

Code	Activity	Frequency
A04	Grazing by livestock	63
A03	Mowing or cutting grasslands	13
B01	Afforestation	13
K02	Vegetation succession/Biocenotic evolution	13

Ten most frequently reported 'highly important' threats

Code	Activity	Frequency
A04	Grazing by livestock	56
K03	Interspecific faunal relations	22
B01	Afforestation	11
K02	Vegetation succession/Biocenotic evolution	11

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Proportion of population covered by the Natura 2000 network

Member States were asked to report the area of the habitat which is covered by the Natura 2000 network. The percentage of the habitat area covered by the network was estimated by comparing the area within the network and the total area in the biogeographical/marine region.

Percentage of coverage by Natura 2000 sites in biogeographical/marine region

	ALP	BOR	CON
EE		62	
FI		34	
LT		28	
SE	94	18	25

See the endnotes for more informationⁱⁱ

Most frequently reported conservation measures

Member States were asked to report up to 20 conservation measures being implemented for this habitat using an agreed list which can be found on the Article 17 Reference Portal. Member States were further requested to highlight up to five most important ('highly important') measures; the table below only shows measures classed as 'high', for many habitats there were less than ten measures reported as highly important.

Ten most frequently reported 'highly important' conservation measures

Code	Measure	Frequency
2.1	Maintaining grasslands and other open habitats	56
6.1	Establish protected areas/sites	22
2.0	Other agriculture-related measures	11
3.2	Adapt forest management	11

This information is derived from the Member State national reports submitted to the European Commission under Article 17 of the Habitats Directive in 2013 and covering the period 2007-2012. More detailed information, including the MS reports, is available at:

<http://bd.eionet.europa.eu/article17/reports2012/habitat/summary/?group=Forests&period=3&subject=9070>

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i Assessment of conservation status at the European biogeographical level: Current Conservation Status (Current CS) shows the status for the reporting period 2007-2012, Previous Conservation Status (Previous CS) for the reporting period 2000-2006. Reason for change in conservation status between the reporting periods indicates whether the changes in the status were genuine or not genuine. Previous Conservation Status was not assessed for Steppic, Black Sea and Marine Black Sea regions. For these regions the Previous status is therefore considered as 'unknown'. The percentage of the habitat area occurring within the biogeographical/marine region (% in region) is calculated based on the area of GIS distribution.

ii Percentage of coverage by Natura 2000 sites in biogeographical/marine region: In some cases the population size within the Natura 2000 network has been estimated using a different methodology to the estimate of overall population size and this can lead to percentage covers greater than 100%. In such case the value has been given as 100% and highlighted with an asterisk (*). The value 'x' indicates that the Member State has not reported the habitat area and/or the coverage by Natura 2000. No information is available for Greece. The values are only provided for regions, in which the occurrence of the habitat has been reported by the Member States.