



Apatura metis

Annex	IV
Priority	No
Species group	Arthropods
Regions	Continental, Mediterranean, Pannonian, Steppic

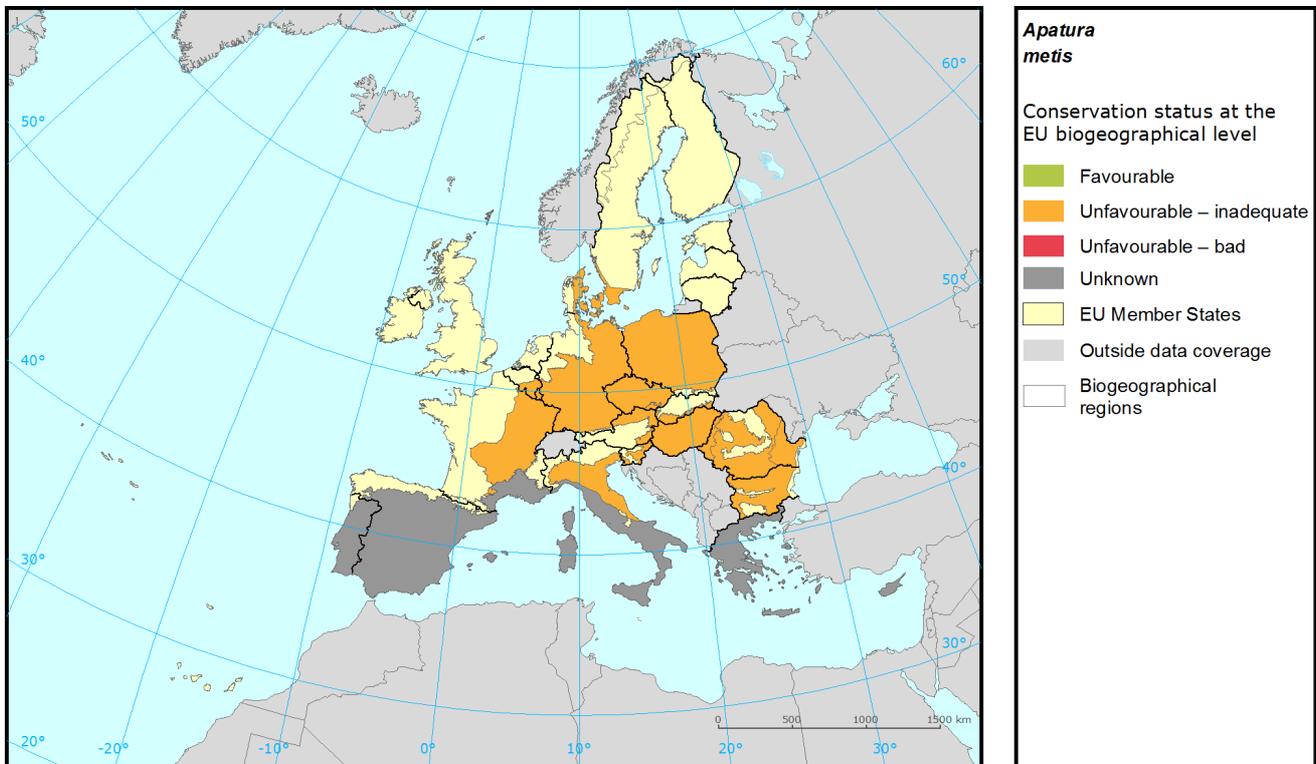
Apatura metis is a butterfly of very warm, damp places. The butterflies can be found along wooded riverbanks, with its foodplant, White Willow (*Salix alba*). A butterfly with a discontinuous range consists of two arelas; one in south-eastern and eastern Europe and the other in western Asia. Within EU it is known as well from Greece, Hungary, Bulgaria and Romania. It hosts on willows and most commonly can be found in the arborescent or shrub fringe communities of water courses.

The conservation status is unfavourable – inadequate in Continental, Pannonian and Steppic bioregions, unknown in Mediterranean bioregion. The species is listed on the Habitats Directive Annex 4. Red List Status Europe: Least concern, EU: Least concern. Although this species shows a decline in a part of its European range, it is not believed to face major threats at the European scale.

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Assessment of conservation status at the European biogeographical level



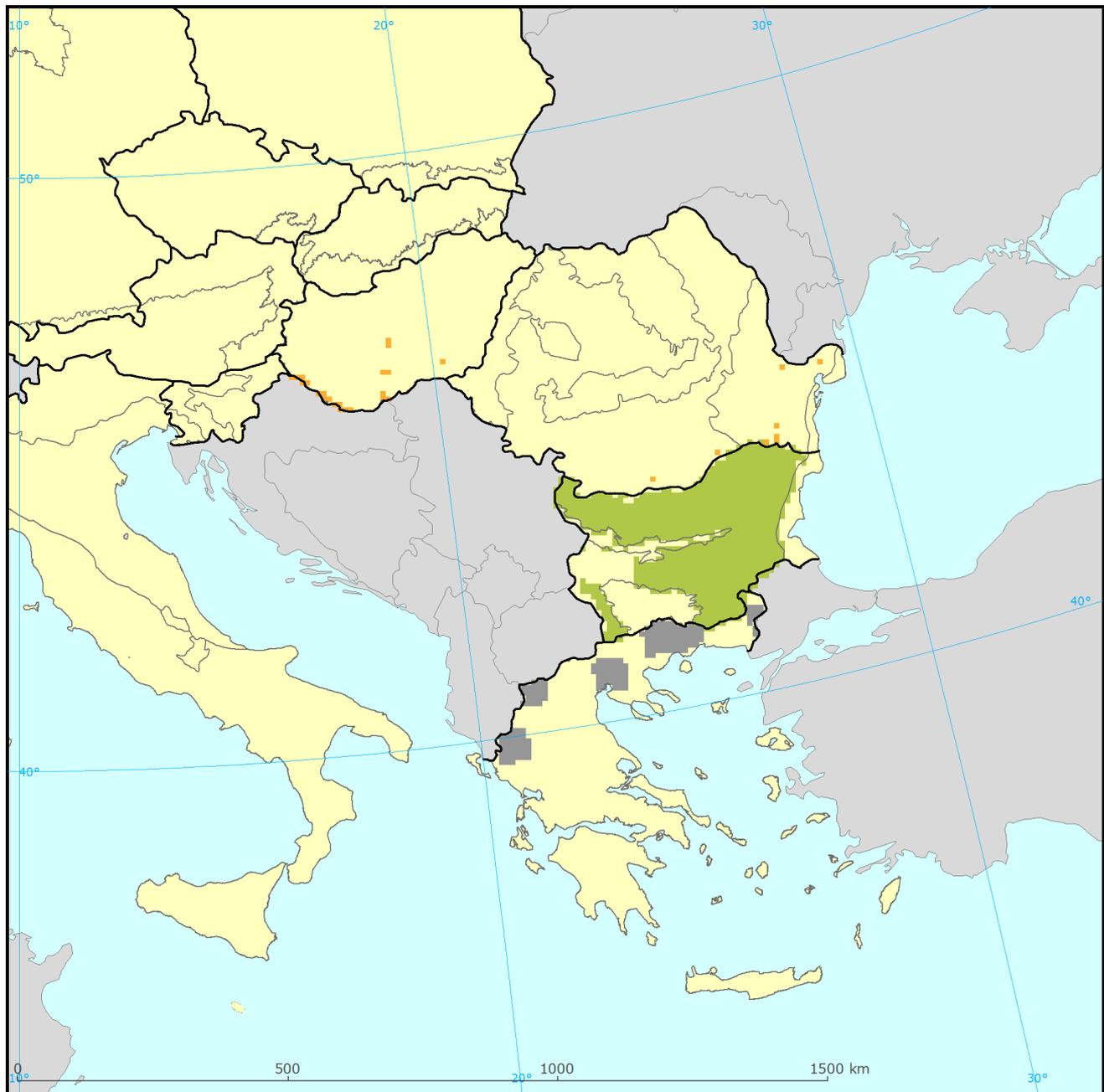
Region	Conservation status (CS) of parameters				Current CS	Trend in CS	% in region	Previous CS	Reason for change
	Range	Population	Habitat	Future prospects					
CON	U1	FV	FV	FV	U1	=	84	XX	Not genuine
MED	XX	XX	XX	XX	XX		13	XX	
PAN	FV	U1	U1	U1	U1	=	2	U1	
STE	FV	U1	U1	U1	U1	x	0.6	XX	Not genuine

See the endnote for more informationⁱ

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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 of parameters				Current CS	Trend in CS	% in region	Previous CS	Reason for change
		Range	Population	Habitat	Future prospects					
BG	CON	FV	FV	FV	FV	FV		99.8		
RO	CON	U1	U1	U1	U1	U1		0.2		
GR	MED	XX	XX	XX	XX	XX		100.0	XX	
HU	PAN	FV	U1	U1	U1	U1	=	100.0	U1	
RO	STE	FV	U1	U1	U1	U1		100.0		

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 species 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 species there were less than ten threats or pressures reported as highly important.

Ten most frequently reported 'highly important' pressures

Code	Activity	Frequency
B02	Forest and plantation management & use	100

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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/species/summary/?group=Arthropods&period=3&subject=Apatura+metis>

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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 species population occurring within the biogeographical/marine region (% in region) is calculated based on the area of GIS distribution.