

JASPERS Networking Platform

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European Commission guidance documents on Natura 2000

- Fitness Check of nature legislation (Habitats and Birds Directives) – COM conclusions of Fitness Check in December, 2016
- Outcome: The Nature Directives are fit for purpose but improvement needed in their implementation

Action Plan for Nature, People and the Economy

- Response of the Commission to the Fitness Check of nature legislation
- Action Plan with 4 priorities areas and 15 concrete actions (adopted 27 April 2017)

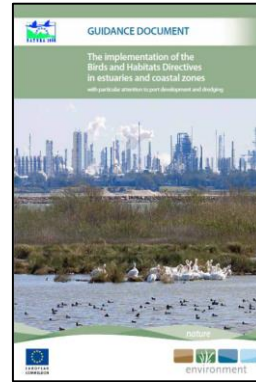
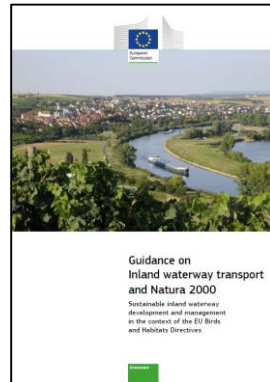
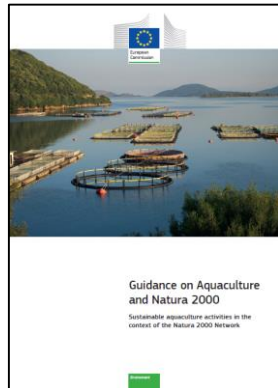
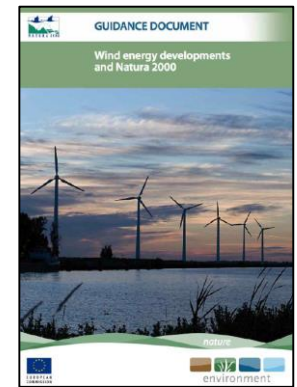
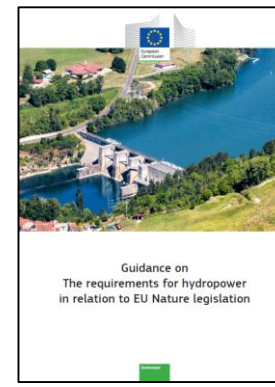
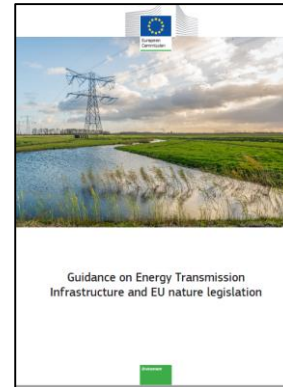
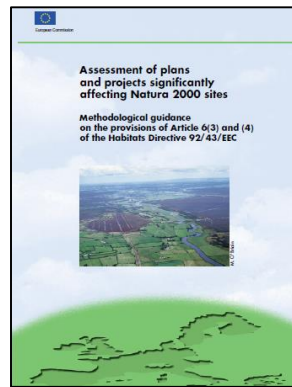


A: Improving guidance and knowledge and ensuring better coherence with broader socio-economic objectives

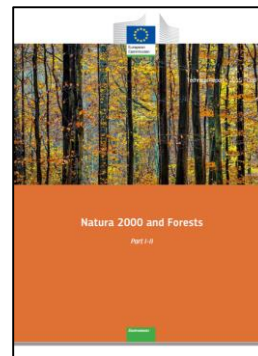
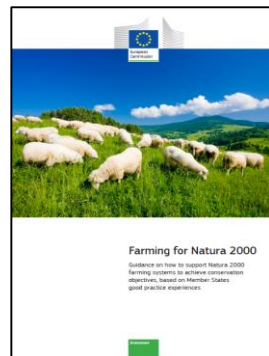
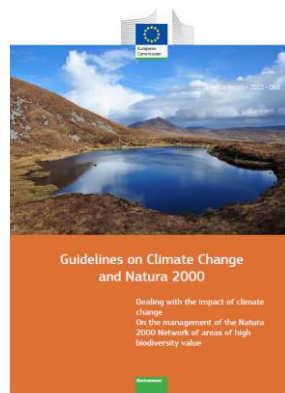
B: Building political ownership and strengthening compliance

C: Strengthening investment in N2000 and improving synergies with EU funding instruments

D: Better communication and outreach, engaging citizens, stakeholders and communities



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Wind Energy and Nature legislation

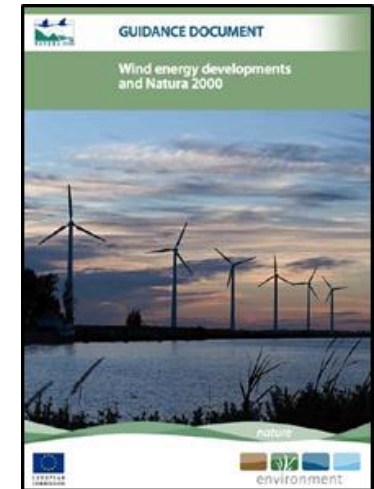
- 1. Wind energy in Europe*
- 2. The EU's policy framework and legislation for nature and biodiversity*
- 3. General approach and principles*

ONSHORE

- 4. Significant effects**
- 5. Strategic planning**
- 6. Monitoring and adaptive management**

OFFSHORE

- 7. Significant effects**
- 8. Strategic planning**
- 9. Monitoring and adaptive management**



Guidance on electricity, gas and oil transmission infrastructure and Natura 2000

Chapter 1: Energy infrastructure development in the EU

Chapter 2: The EU nature legislation

Chapter 3: Potential impacts of transmission facilities

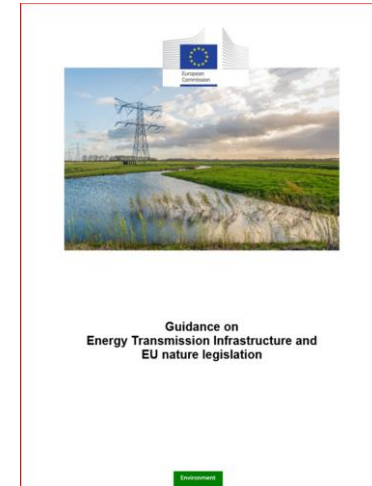
Chapter 4: Potential effects on wild birds

Chapter 5: Potential mitigation for electricity plans or projects on wild birds

Chapter 6: The importance of adopting a strategic approach to planning

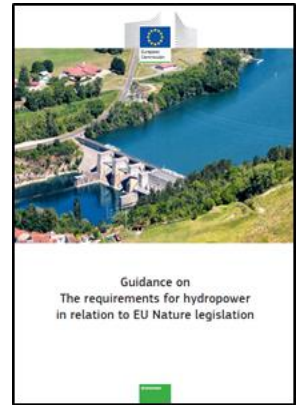
Chapter 7: the permitting procedure under article 6 of the Habitats directive

Chapter 8: Energy transmission infrastructure in the marine environment



Hydropower and Natura 2000

Structure of the guidance



Chapter 1 – EU Policy and Legislative Framework

- relationship with other relevant environmental legislation (WFD, Floods Directive, EIA, SEA)

Chapter 2 – Freshwater Ecosystems and Hydropower in the EU

- Information on the state of EUs river and lake ecosystems
- Main pressures and threats
- Effects of hydropower

Chapter 3 – Good practice examples in mitigating effects

Chapter 4 – Good practices in applying an integrated planning

Chapter 5 - Appropriate Assessment under Habitats Directive





Project “Reviewing and mitigating the impacts of RE developments on habitats and species protected under B&H Directives”

- European Parliament funds
- Duration: 2 years (Dec 2017 – Dec 2019)
- Aim: understand better the impacts of RE on protected species and habitats (mainly birds, bats, marine mammals)
- Covers all forms of RE (exc. hydropower and transmission infrastructure)



Scope of study – relevant Tasks

T1 – **Consultation** with MS

T2- Update of existing EU guidance on **wind energy developments** and Natura 2000

T3 -Review potential impacts of **other RE sources** on species and habitats and present effective mitigation strategies

T4 – Manual with options, criteria and methodology necessary for the preparation of **wildlife sensitivity maps**

T5 – Analyze potential impacts of **bioenergy developments** on protected species and habitats and propose mitigation measures

T6- Organize **events** in Member States to present and discuss the overall outputs of the contract and inform authorities and relevant stakeholders



**Please visit the
website:**

https://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/natura2000/management/index_en.htm

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