







COMPILATION OF EXISTING GUIDANCE ON ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION

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Member States shall prepare national restoration plans and carry out the preparatory monitoring and research needed to identify the restoration measures that are necessary to meet the targets and obligations set out in Articles 4 to 10a and to contribute to the Union's overarching objectives set out in Article 1, taking into account the latest scientific evidence.

Art. 11 (1), Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on nature restoration



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Aim of the assignment

A compilation document with sources for MS to inform nature restoration planning.

Online sources

- Guidelines, standards, and handbooks
- ▶ Key platforms and expert networks
- Projects and databases

National sources



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Structure of the compilation document

- 1. General Resources
- Restoration of Terrestrial, Coastal and Freshwater Ecosystems (Art. 4)
- 3. Restoration of Marine Ecosystems (Art. 5)
- 4. Urban Ecosystems (Art. 6)
- Restoration of the Natural Connectivity of Rivers & Functions of the Related Floodplains (Art. 7)
- 6. Restoration of Pollinator Populations (Art. 8)
- 7. Restoration of Agricultural Ecosystems (Art. 9)
- 8. Restoration of Forest Ecosystems (Art. 10)
- 9. National Restoration Guidelines

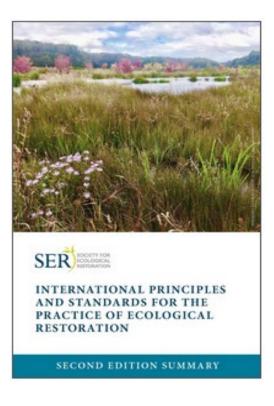
Appendix 1: Additional Resources

General resources include guidelines, databases, expert networks

- 1. General Resources
 - 1.1. Restoration Guidelines
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 - 1.3. Expert Networks
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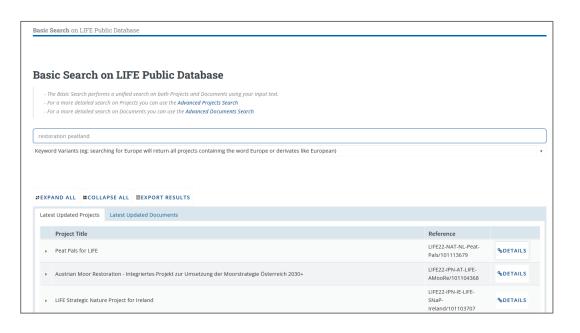
25 general guidelines







7 databases





17 expert networks



RENO is a Nordic multidisciplinary network of scientists, practitioners, policy makers and entrepreneurs working with ecological restoration. The Rethe extent, status, methods and results of restoration activities in the Nordic countries, analyzes the natural and socio-economic processes involved i and inadequate policy instruments, and develops paradigms and guidelines for restoration.

The ReNo project was funded by the Nordic Council of Ministers during 2009-2011. The group continues its work during 2012-2014 as EvRest projec Canada, Greenland and Scotland. The project is funded by the Nordic Council of Ministers. EvRest aims at developing frameworks to evaluate ecologimproving the quality of restoration projects.

Start Das Netzwerk Veransta



Renaturierung ist ein durch den Menschen veranlasster Prozess zur Wiederherstellung eines Ökosystems, das entweder degradiert, gestört oder vollständig zerstört wurde

Die Motivation des Netzwerks Renaturierung ist es, Verbindungen von Praktikern und Wissenschaftlern zu fördern und einen produktiven Austausch von neuartigen Ideen, theoretischem Wissen und konkreten Erfahrungen zu ermöglichen. Dabei werden enge Kontakte zur Society for Ecological Restoration und der Gesellschaft für Ökologie gepflegt.

Das Netzwerk

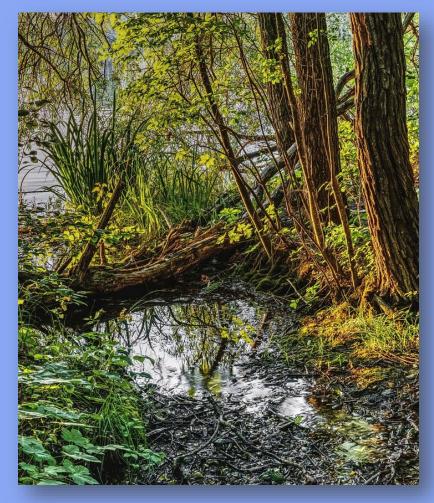
Das Netzwerk führt jährliche Treffen in unterschiedlichen Teilen Deutschlands, Österreichs, Luxenburgs und der Schweiz zu aktuellen Themen der ökologischen Renaturierung durch, die mit der Besichtigung von Projekt- und Umsetzungsgebieten verbunden werden, wobei Wert auf ausreichend Zeit für Diskussionen vor Ort gelegt wird.

Im Sinne des Austausches werden auch Veranstaltungen außerhalb des Netzwerkes angekündigt.

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Member States shall put in place the restoration measures that are necessary to improve to good condition areas of habitat types listed in Annex I (Annex II) which are not in good condition.

Art. 4 Restoration of terrestrial, coastal and freshwater ecosystems (and Art 5 Restoration of marine ecosystems)



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For Art 4 & 5 groups of habitat types listed in Annex I, II as subchapter

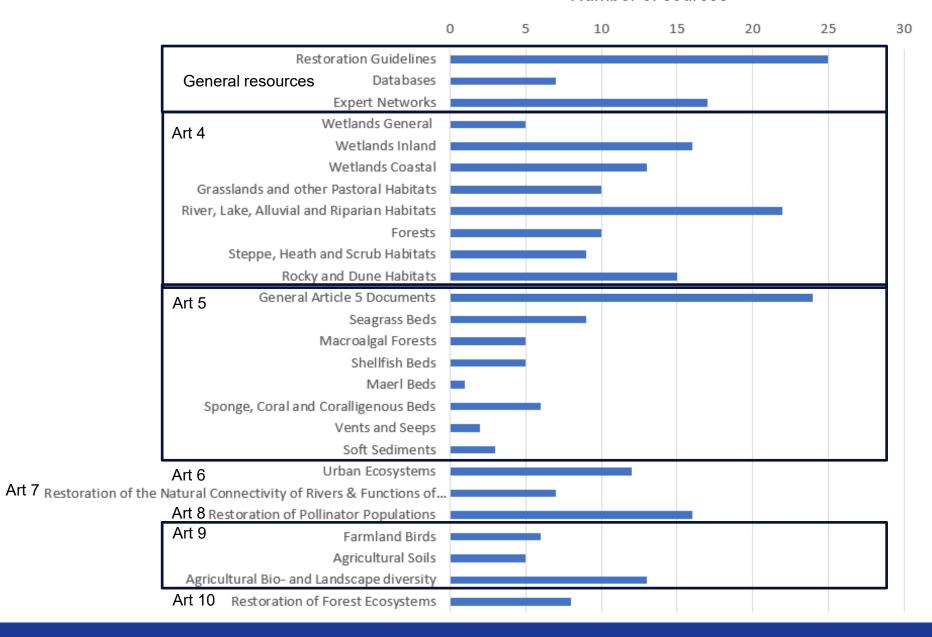
- 1. General Resources
- 2. Restoration of Terrestrial, Coastal and Freshwater Ecosystems (Art. 4)
 - 2.1 Wetlands
 - Inland
 - Coastal
 - 2.2 Grasslands and other Pastoral Habitats
 - 2.3 River, Lake, Alluvial and Riparian Habitats
 - 2.4 Forests
 - 2.5 Steppe, Heath and Scrub Habitats
 - 2.6 Rocky and Dune Habitats
- 3. Restoration of Marine Ecosystems (Art. 5)
 - 3.1 General Documents
 - 3.2 Seagrass Beds
 - 3.3 Macroalgal Forests
 - 3.4 Shellfish Beds
 - 3.5 Maerl Beds
 - 3.6 Sponge, Coral and Coralligenous Beds
 - 3.7 Vents and Seeps
 - 3.8 Soft Sediments (Above 1000 Meters of Depth)
- 4. Urban Ecosystems (Art. 6)
- Restoration of the Natural Connectivity of Rivers & Functions of the Related Floodplains (Art. 7)
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Art 9 includes subchapters in accordance with aims

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 - 7.1 Farmland Birds
 - 7.2 Agricultural Soils
 - 7.3 Agricultural Bio- and Landscape diversity
- 8. Restoration of Forest Ecosystems (Art. 10)
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Number of sources

Compilation of > 270 guidance



For each source the following information is provided

- Bibliographic information
- Link to source
- > Short description
- Index criteria

2.2.5 <u>Latvijas Dabas fonds</u> (2017-2023). <u>GrassLIFE</u>: Restoring EU priority grasslands and promoting their multiple use. https://www.ldf.lv/en/projects/grasslife-restoring-eu-priority-grasslands-and-promoting-their-multiple-use.

GrassLIFE will focus on developing, optimising and improving the conservation status of five EU priority grasslands in Latvia (6120*, 6210*, 6230*, 6270* and 6530*). All restoration activities will be carried out within 14 Natura 2000 network sites. This website gives a very detailed project overview and lists the preparatory actions taken, the conservation actions and the monitoring actions.

Region	Restoration	Type of	Stage of Restoration	Other NRL arti-	Habitat Code
	target	Source	Process	cles addressed	
Boreal	Grasslands	Project	Planning, Implemen-	N/A	6210, 6120, 6230,
			tation, Monitoring		6270, 6530

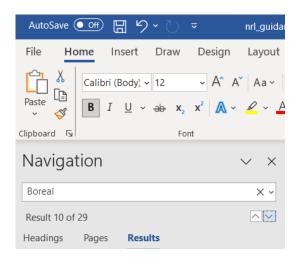
- 6120 Xeric Sand Calcerous Grasslands
- 6210 Semi-natural dry grasslands and scrubland facies on calcareous substrates (Festuco-Brometalia)
- 6230 Species-rich Nardus grasslands, on silicious substrates in mountain areas
- > 6270 Fennoscandian lowland species-rich dry to mesic grasslands
- 6530 Fennoscandian wooded meadows

Index criteria include

- ➤ Biogeographic Region
- ➤ Restoration Target
- > Type of Source
- Restoration Stage
- ➤ Relevance for other NRL Articles
- ➤ Habitat Code (for Article 4 & 5)

(Biogeographic-) Region	Restoration Target		Type of Source	Restoration Stage
Global Europe Alpine Atlantic Black Sea Boreal Continental Macaronesian Mediterranean Pannonian Steppic	General Guidance Agricultural Ecosystems Alluvial Habitats Bogs Butterflies Coastal Ecosystems Deep Sea Dunes Farmland Birds Floodplains Forests Grasslands Heathlands Lakes Landscape Diversity Macroalgal Forests Mearl Beds Marine Ecosystems	Mires Peatlands Pollinators Ponds Reefs Riparian Habitats River Connectivity Rivers Rocky Habitats Saltmarsh Seagrass Shellfish Beds Soils Steppe Urban Ecosystems Wetlands Wooded Meadows Woodlands	General Guideline Database Website Policy Brief Project Academic Article	Planning Implementation Monitoring

Navigate using the "Find" function



of information on river restoration schemes from around Europe.

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	target	Source	ration Process	cles addressed	Code
Europe	Rivers, Ripar-	Database	Planning, Im-	7	N/A
	ian Habitats		plementation		

2.3.8 ReBorN (2022). ReBorN - Restoration of Boreal Nordic Rivers. A LIFE project which restored watercourses heavily affected from the timber floating era. https://en.re-bornlife.org/files/ugd/a179e9-0497f6cf93eb49948888c5877156ef47.pdf

This Layman Report describes the project in detail including the restoration measures that were taken. These measures include restoring meanders to straightened rivers, enhancing historic river features, improving sinuosity of current planform, green bank protection, improving channel morphology, managing overland floodwaters, creating floodplain wetland features, providing public, private & livestock access, enhancing outfalls to rivers, utilising spoil excavated from rivers, river diversions & removing or bypassing barriers.

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National Resources

- > Austria
- Czech Republic
- > Finland
- > France
- Germany
- Luxembourg
- Netherlands
- > Spain
- > Sweden

9 National Restoration Guidelines

9.1 Austria

9.1.1 Bundesministerium Klimaschutz, Umwelt, Energie, Mobilität, Innovation und Technologie (2022). Biodiversity Strategy Austria 2030+ [Biodiversitäts-Strategie Österreich 2030+]. https://www.bmk.gv.at/themen/klima_umwelt/naturschutz/biol_vielfalt/biodiversitaets-strategie_2030.html.

Available in German.

Region	Restoration target	Type of Source	Stage of Restora- tion Process	NRL articles ad- dressed
Alpine	General Guidance	General Guideline	Planning, Imple- mentation	N/A

9.1.2 UVOR (2006-2010). Unterberg-Vorland. LIFE 3.0 - LIFE06 NAT/A/000124 (europa.eu).

Available in German and English.

Region	Restoration target	Type of Source	Stage of Restora- tion Process	NRL articles ad- dressed
Alpine	Pollinators, Butterflies, Grasslands	Project	Planning, Imple- mentation	4, 8, 9, 10

9.1.3 Paternoster, D., Danziger, F., Koukal, T., Kudrnovsky, H., Lackner, S., Berger, A., Schadauer, K., Wrbka, T., Stejskal-Tiefenbach, M., Ellmauer, T. – Umweltbundesamt (2021). Strategic Framework for the Prioritisation for the restoration of ecosystems at national and subnational levels [Strategischer Rahmen für eine Priorisierung zur Wiederherstellung von Ökosystemen auf Nationalem und Subnationalem Niveau]. https://www.umweltbundesamt.at/studien-reports/publika-tionsdetail?pub id=2370&cHash=4babebf3d5c56f46ecdeac55d9ea4bc6.

Available in German.

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In a nutshell



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- A compilation of > 270 existing nature restoration guidance resources
- With general guidelines and information for ecosystems and habitats listed under Art 4-10
- In addition, national restoration guidance resources included
- Index and "Find" function as secondary entry point to access relevant information



Thanks! Any more Questions?

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