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A review of Member States' initiatives to support wild pollinator populations

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The aim of this task was to provide an update on Member States' activities on pollinators, building on and expanding from the already existing review in Underwood et al (2017) by widening the review to more Member States. The purpose of this review was to go beyond those Member States that already have pollinator strategies or plans, and highlight activities in those Member States where a high level political initiative for pollinator conservation is still missing. The reviews have been compiled using inputs from various consultees and have not been officially endorsed by Member State governments. The fiches were delivered to the Commission in July 2019 and then posted on the IEEP website and the EU pollinators information hive in July 2020.

The target audience for this work is both the individuals and organizations involved in activities featured in this review, and the wider citizen network interested in pollinator conservation in the EU. The review aims to reach out to those individuals and organizations who are the driving force(s) behind their own country's adoption of a national pollinator action plan or strategy, and provide them with access to information and contacts in other Member States. This might in future help them to act as pollinator ambassadors in other countries which do not have pollinator strategies in place.

Three of the reviewed Member States had National Pollinator Strategies at the time of the work being carried out (Netherlands, France, Ireland) and Belgium has a regional strategy produced by the SAPOLL project. The Spanish pollinator strategy was published after the task was completed. Luxembourg and Czechia are developing their strategies. The UK has regional pollinator strategies and action plans and a wide range of very active projects and groups, but due to its departure from the EU it has not been included in the report.

The reviews have been compiled using inputs from various consultees and have not been officially endorsed by Member State governments. They reflect the situation up to the end of 2019 to the extent to which IEEP was able to gather information, so they are more complete for some Member States than for others. The information reflects what was provided by consultees and the authors do not bear any responsibility for inaccuracies.

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