

Newsletter



December 2024

Welcome to Safeguard's Holiday Newsletter!

Right before the festive season, we are excited to welcome you to our Holiday Newsletter to explore recent project developments and upcoming activities, along with EU biodiversity policy updates.

Enjoy!

#SafeguardOutcomes: Video interviews campaign relaunched

Since the beginning of the Safeguard project in 2021, partners have been working hard towards a better world for wild pollinators across Europe and beyond.

To make these outcomes easy to find and access, earlier this year, Safeguard launched a series of short video interviews conducted among consortium members, providing insightful updates on their progress on the project thus far.



In November, Safeguard came back with five new interviews with partners Yann Clough, András Báldi, Costanza Geppert, Gabriella Süle and Ahlam Sentil.

All video interviews are available on the project's YouTube channel in the playlist "Safeguard Outcomes".

[Explore playlist](#)

Safeguard materials spotted at:



COP16
COLOMBIA
Paz con la Naturaleza

21 October - 1 November 2024
Cali, Colombia



SHOWCASE
Synergies between agriculture,
biodiversity and ecosystem services to help
farmers capitalising on native biodiversity

Annual General Meeting
5-6 November 2024
Cadiz, Spain

ANTENNA
Making Technology work for monitoring pollinators

Annual General Meeting
25-26 November 2024
Seville, Spain





Policy Corner

Updated report on EU Pollinator Monitoring Scheme

The Joint Research Centre has developed a methodology to help EU Member States monitor pollinators in a standardised, robust and reproducible way. Through the STING project (Science and Technology for Pollinating Insects), the JRC mobilised a group of nearly 30 top pollinator experts to develop the methodology, presented in the Refined Proposal for an EU pollinator monitoring scheme of October 2024. The experts from across Europe and beyond, are recognised leaders, not only on pollination ecology, but also on agri-environment issues, ecological economy, citizen science initiatives, and emerging technologies like visual recognition and artificial intelligence applied to entomology.

[Learn more](#)

New BirdLife International report: EU falling short on 2030 biodiversity goals

A new report by BirdLife Europe & Central Asia reveals that EU countries are not on track to hit the EU's targets to halt the degradation of ecosystems and their restoration by 2030. The EU set this goal nearly five years ago, in its "EU Biodiversity Strategy for 2030" - a core part of the EU's Green Deal.

The report critically analyses the current state of Europe's biodiversity goals. It breaks down the actions the EU has taken,

delayed, and areas where implementation has stalled or been abandoned altogether.

[Learn more](#)

European Commission launches the European Board on Agriculture and Food

In early December 2024, The European Commission officially set up the European Board on Agriculture and Food (EBAF), thus taking up on one of the recommendations of the final report of the Strategic Dialogue on the Future of Agriculture. This consultative body is expected to provide high-level advice to the Commission on the follow-up of the report of the Strategic Dialogue on the future of EU agriculture and will contribute to the work on the Vision for agriculture and food, to be presented within the first 100 days of the mandate.

[Learn more](#)



Coming up

Safeguard 2024 highlights video

2025 is fast approaching and we are almost ready to wrap 2024 up! In the final days of the year, we will take a look back at what we have achieved over the past 12 months.

Subscribe to our YouTube channel to be the first to see the video!

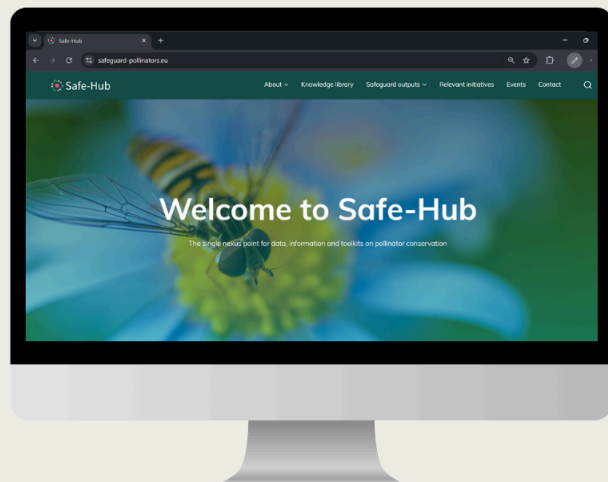
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Have you seen our brand-new Safeguard Knowledge Exchange Hub?



**FIND DATA,
INFORMATION
AND TOOLKITS
ON POLLINATOR
CONSERVATION!**



In an effort to increase awareness and knowledge of wild pollinators and their societal values, in August 2024, we launched the open-source platform Safeguard Knowledge Exchange Hub – Safe-Hub.

Shaped by the findings of Safeguard and other relevant pollinator projects, networks and initiatives, Safe-Hub navigates harmonised and standardised data on pollinator health, monitoring, distribution, and conservation, along with newly developed and existing data and tools.

The platform offers various tools and resources, such as pollinator species distribution maps, general information about pollinators, a knowledge library, main Safeguard outputs, links to relevant initiatives and educational materials, an events calendar, and many more.

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[Explore Safe-Hub](#)



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