



# Natura 2000 Award – 2024 edition

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# Who can apply? – Eligibility Criteria

- Any entity/ group based in the EU is eligible
- Reference to one or more Natura 2000 site(s)
- Conservation on land, and Marine conservation applications must focus on a species or habitat type in Habitats Directive Annex I or II, or Birds Directive Annex I or be a regularly occurring migratory bird
- Tangible results over past 5 years
- Applicants can submit more than one application, but several applicants cannot apply for the same site for the same category
- Unsuccessful applications of previous editions can be re-submitted
- Previous winners cannot re-submit the winning application



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# Award categories



## Cross-border cooperation

- Partnerships across borders or thematic partnerships to manage and conserve Natura 2000 sites, species or habitats



## Working together for nature

- Actions with a positive impact on Natura 2000 through the creation of social or economic benefits, and / or through the resolution of conflicts



## Communication

- Communication, promotion and awareness raising focusing on the Natura 2000 network



## Conservation on land + Marine conservation

- Activities that improved the conservation status of species or habitats
- Habitat types / species must be in HD Annex I or II / BD Annex I, or be regularly occurring migratory bird
- Typically best-practices or particularly successful conservation achievements



## Citizens' Award

- The public's favourite finalist from any category

# How are finalists and winners selected? – Selection criteria



**Effectiveness:** success of activities and impact on conservation status on habitat types / species



**Cost-Benefit:** cost-effectiveness of measures



**Originality:** development of new tools, applying existing tools to different context



**Replicability:** (potential of) measures to be applied in different contexts / by different partners



**Durability:** measures to ensure that actions and results will continue into the future



# Timeframe

- The call for applications is open from 22 May – 29 September 2023 – register on the Award website
- Applications can be submitted via Natura 2000 Award website until midnight on 29 September 2023
- Finalists announced
- High-level Jury selects winners and Public vote
- Award Ceremony



# Further information

Further information can be found:

- On the Natura 2000 Award website
- In the Natura 2000 Award newsflash
- From the Secretariat (link on Home page of the website)



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# Thank you



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