

Meta Data Sheet

DAISY TASK 1.2: Analysing the political aspect of transformative change in policies and the barriers and levers for transformative policy-making

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- **Task description:** DAISY will evaluate and assess the transformative potential of DAISY domains-relevant implemented EU policies (the Birds and Habitats Directives, the EU Climate Law, and the Urban Agenda for the EU) and currently negotiated policies (e.g. legislative framework of the sustainable food systems policy, the nature restoration law). In each policy, the role of biodiversity, biodiversity values and relevant incentives will be assessed, advancing the Biodiversity Policy Integration (BPI) framework. DAISY will further conduct a legal analysis, comparing the selected policy areas' elements of coherence, consistency and tension areas with the EU Biodiversity Strategy for 2030 and SDGs using the DAISY's and the IPBES Assessment on Transformative Change conceptual frameworks along with key informant interviews (eg., MEPs or their staff, NGOs, DG representatives). Based on the results, T1.2 will evaluate the transformative potential attested to selected policies. In addition, T1.2 will assess the enabling conditions that are necessary to unfold this transformative potential. For this purpose, DAISY will analyse how the policies have changed in the design and dialogue negotiations along with the positions and influence of different actor groups in these negotiations. Based on the key informant interviews, DAISY will also identify possible incoherencies or implementation gaps using the EU Biodiversity Strategy as a key reference. DAISY will collect additional data (e.g. a semi structured survey) targeting EU agents, business, civil society and other non-governmental actors to understand underlying power constellations, institutional structures and interests that pose opportunities or barriers to transformative potential of policies. The results will shed light on how a position on biodiversity and transformative policies are formed. The characterisation of actors according to their motivations, resources and network ties will be applied to identify agents

of change and the reflexivity of policy responses. Founded on gained knowledge, T1.2 will unravel barriers and potentials for transformative dynamics to be used in WP2 and WP3.

- **Purpose of data collection:** To systematically assess the integration of biodiversity targets in these policies, as well as the elements that can either hinder or enable transformative change.
- **Keywords:** Environment; Public policy; Government, political systems and organisations; Biodiversity conservation;
- **Methodology:** Policy analysis; Doctrinal legal analysis; Qualitative content analysis; Systematic literature review. Secondary analysis of EU policy and legal documents using the Biodiversity Policy Integration (BPI) framework and the IPBES Transformative Change framework, complemented by analysis of legislative negotiations and relevant scientific literature.
- **Data type(s):** Text
- **Country of data collection:** European Union
- **Category of respondents:** n/a
- **Unit type:** Document
- **Sampling procedure:** Purposive
- **Mode of collection:** Individual data source
- **Data collection period:** February-August 2025
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