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Background

DG BSAP BIO 4-2021 considered and developed further the actions proposed for the Biodiversity segment, based on the guidance from HELCOM 42-2021 and comments received. The meeting agreed that the formulation of some of the actions is already satisfactory and agreed that DG BSAP BIO 5-2021 will focus on the actions that need further work (actions coloured yellow in the document).

The attached Excel document includes the actions relevant for the biodiversity segment, sorted to show actions which still include any open issues and are intended for finalization in DG BSAP BIO 5-2021. The actions for which the formulation has been agreed to be satisfactory are coloured green and the actions that are still open are coloured yellow. Comments received after DG BSAP BIO 4-2021 are included in column E. Where concrete alternative formulations have been submitted or proposed following DG BSAP BIO 4-2021 these have been included for consideration in red as alternative formulations in column D.

The Secretariat has proposed target years for some of the actions which were still lacking target years. These proposals are coloured red in the Excel attachment.

The actions for which the formulations were considered acceptable in DG BSAP BIO 3-2021 and DG BSAP BIO 4-2021 are presented to DG BSAP 6-2021 to be held on 22 April. The Meeting will be informed of the guidance and possible changes proposed by DG BSAP 6-2021.

DG BSAP BIO 4-2021 took note that the Secretariat will explore merging some of the proposed topics for the actions since, as a consequence of the merging of actions, some topics now include a limited number of actions. This document also contains a proposal for removing topics for which only one action remains.

Action requested

The Meeting is invited to:

- consider and finalize the formulation for all the remaining actions for which the formulation has not been agreed, taking into account the guidance by DG BSAP 6-2021 to be held on 22 April 2021;
- propose target years for the all the relevant actions for the Biodiversity segment.