



Polish National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan for 2007-2013

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Main features

2 parts: NBS (text) and AP (cards)

NBS

I. INTRODUCTION

II. THE FACTORS AFFECTING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF NBS

- ❖ International factors
- ❖ European factors
- ❖ Internal factors
- ❖ SWOT Analysis for the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity

III. STRATEGY

- ❖ Biodiversity as the subject of the Strategy
- ❖ The entities participating in its development and implementation
- ❖ Vision
- ❖ The supreme goal
- ❖ Strategic goals (8)
- ❖ Operational goals (77) for different administration sectors (17)
- ❖ Instruments for the implementation of the Strategy
- ❖ The system for the evaluation and coordination of the Strategy

Action Plan

I. INTRODUCTION

- ❖ overall cost of implementation for 2008-2013 is estimated as ca. 62,5 mln €,
- ❖ from the national budget ca. 37,35 mln €,
- ❖ from EU and international funds ca. 19,6 mln €

II. TASK CARDS

- ❖ 134 tasks for 77 operational goals
- ❖ for 1 goal more than one task
- ❖ preliminary description (a detailed operational plan for each task is foreseen)

TASK CARD NR 1

STRATEGIC GOAL:	The identification and monitoring of the state of biodiversity as well as the existing and potential threats			
OPERATIONAL GOAL:	The complementation and dissemination of knowledge concerning the distribution and resources of the elements of biodiversity			
TASK:	Inventory and valorization of the biodiversity elements, particularly of the natural habitats and species protected under Birds and Habitats Directives			
SECTOR: (AREA)	“ENVIRONMENT” (nature and landscape protection)		PRIORITY:	!!!
RESPONSIBLE ENTITY:	PARTICIPATING ENTITIES:	PERIOD OF REALIZATION	ESTIMATED COST brutto (PLN):	POTENTIAL SOURCE OF FUNDING:
Ministry of Environment	Scientific units, nature conservation service, ngos, State Forests, regional administration and maritime units	2007 – 2013	4 250 000 per year	national and regional funds for environmental protection and water management, EU and international funds, State Forests Fund
EXPECTED RESULTS:	Obtaining reliable and detailed knowledge concerning the distribution and state of the elements of biodiversity			
REALIZATION CONDITIONS:	The inventory shall firstly comprise species protected under Birds and Habitats Directives, according to the Biogeographical Seminar, as well as threatened, key and conflict species			
METHOD OF ASSESSMENT:	Analysis of the size and localization of the areas, covered by the inventory and analysis of the results			

Main features of NBSAP

- official document - approved by the government
- transparent and compact
- timeless nature of the strategic goals
- clear responsibilities and methods to achieve the goals described in the AP
- determined timeframe for monitoring of the progress of implementing the AP

Revision of the NBS and new AP

- First NBS with the AP for **2003-2006** was approved on 25 February 2003 by the Council of Ministers
- Assessment of the implementation status of NBSAP carried out in 2005
- Second NBS with the AP **2007-2013** was approved on 26 October 2007 by the Council of Ministers

Main changes

- ❖ Extension of the SUPREME GOAL:
 - reference not only to national but also **local and global levels**
 - reference to the needs of **socio-economic** development and the need to ensure the **appropriate conditions of life and development** for society

- ❖ Extension of the STRATEGIC GOALS from 4 to 8:
 - V. The enhancement of **knowledge** as well as the **shaping of attitudes and activity** of the public for the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity.
 - VI. The **improvement of mechanisms and instruments** for the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity.
 - VII. The **expansion of international cooperation** at regional and global levels for the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity resources.
 - VIII. The **use of biodiversity in a sustainable manner**, ensuring the fair and equitable sharing of the costs and benefits related to its preservation, also including the costs of failure to take developmental actions in order to protect natural resources.

- ❖ Extension of OPERATIONAL GOALS from 57 to 77 and TASKS from 95 to 134
- ❖ Revision of all TASKS in accordance to new conditions
- ❖ Less detailed information about national biodiversity and the most negative impacts on it
- ❖ Less detailed information about the cost of implementation
- ❖ Improvement of the „tree structure” and extension of TASK features:
 - expected results
 - conditions of realization
 - method of assessment

Status of implementation

Study case I: **Monitoring**

1. Identification and monitoring of the state of biological diversity and existing and potential threats

23. operational goal:

The provision of decision-makers and society with updated and reliable information on the state of biodiversity, change in it and threats for it.

tasks:

57. Improvement and implementation of scientific, methodological and organization **principles** of biodiversity monitoring, 2008-10 (+/-)
58. Improvement and implementation of **set of indicators** for assessment of biodiversity state and changes, 2008-10 (+)
59. Realization of the biodiversity **monitoring**, 2008-13 (+/-)

Study case II: Invasive alien species

2. Effective elimination or reduction in threats to biological diversity

5. operational goal:

The prevention of the penetration and dispersal of alien species and native species from non-native populations, particularly those that pose the greatest threats for the native resources of biodiversity.

tasks:

22. establishment of **principles** and programs to prevent the penetration and distribution of IAS, 2008-09 (-/+)
23. **implementation** of the programs, 2008-13 (-)
24. establishment of **legal regulations** and principles concerning introduction of IAS, 2008 (+)

Obstacles

- lack of national surveillance unit
- lack of wide information on the NBSAP among entities responsible for implementation
- midterm assessment not yet conducted
- financial burdens

Biodiversity

in other national documents

- National Environmental Policy for 2007-2010, with a Perspective for 2011-2014
- National Forest Policy and Polish Policy of Sustainable Forest Management National Forest Resources Protection Policy
- Rural and Agriculture Development Strategy for the Years 2007-2013, Code of Good Farming Practice, agro-environmental schemes, Good Farming Conditions
- Fisheries Development Strategy 2007-2013, Framework of the Sustainable Development of Polish Fisheries Sector
- Strategy for Tourism Development 2007-2013 and The Direction of Tourism Development till 2015
- National Development Strategy 2007-2015, Rural Development Program 2007-2013, Operational Program 'Development of Eastern Poland'

The use of communication, education and public awareness activities

- education on environmental protection in secondary schools and universities
- strategic state document *The National Strategy for Environmental Education*
- important role of educational activities of ngos's, State Forests, Department of the Ecological Education in the Ministry of the Environment (2008 publication: *Article 13 – in search of social support in the Convention on biological diversity management*)
- financial support from the National Found for Environmental Protection and Water Management



Thank you for your attention!