

MTK's Biodiversity Programme

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- with best practices in agriculture and forest management
- > with well-targeted nature management and restoration
- > with landowner-based voluntary nature conservation





Biodiversity with best practices in agriculture and forestry



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- Biodiversity is taken into account in forest management e.g. by preserving and enhancing natural structural features of forests and by safeguarding sites with high biodiversity values.
- The promotion of biodiversity is continued in agriculture e.g. by diversifying crop rotations, increasing the plant cover of fields in the wintertime and promoting biological plant protection.





Biodiversity with well-targeted nature management and restoration



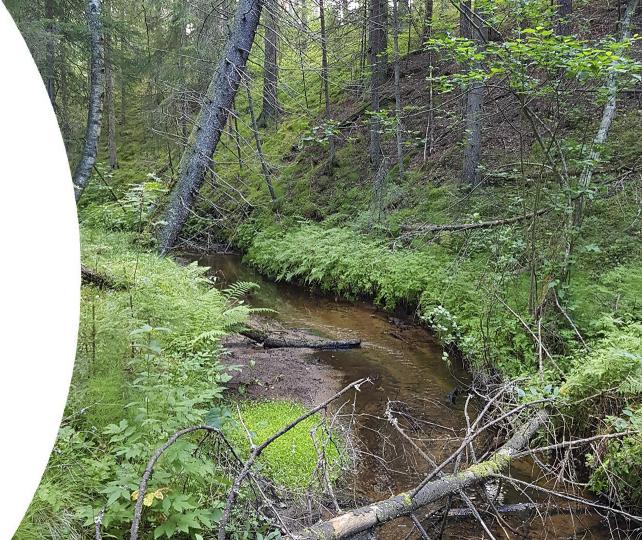
Biodiversity with well-targeted nature management and restoration

- Effort is put to **manage and restore sites of special importance** e.g. by managing herb-rich forests, promoting prescribed and restoration burning and restoring small water bodies.
- The managed area of seminatural grasslands and other types of rural biotopes and cultural habitats is increased by securing the availability of attractive economic incentives.





Biodiversity with landowner-based voluntary nature conservation



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- Proper advisory services are needed to ensure that a landowner is aware of the valuable natural areas on his land and of the different options for conservation.
- Choosing a conservation option should be **at least as profitable** for the landowner as any other form of economic use of the area.
- Forest protection is continued in accordance with the principles of the METSO programme. The same principles of voluntariness and economic compensations are used also in the implementation of the HELMI programme.



