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COCONUT is a research project aiming to:

- ◆ **Understand the effect of land-use change on biodiversity in Europe**
- ◆ **Provide an evidence-base to underpin policy for landscape management**



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Understanding effects of land use changes on ecosystems to halt loss of biodiversity
– due to habitat destruction, fragmentation and degradation



Assess impact of historical habitat loss on biodiversity

Evaluate biodiversity loss in Natura 2000 sites

Model impacts of future land use on biodiversity

Synthesise existing knowledge on impacts of habitat loss and fragmentation on biodiversity

Provide land use policy options for stopping biodiversity loss



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