

Nature Conservation Agency Republic of Latvia

### **Project «Nature Census» in Latvia**

Preconditions for better biodiversity conservation and ecosystem protection in Latvia'

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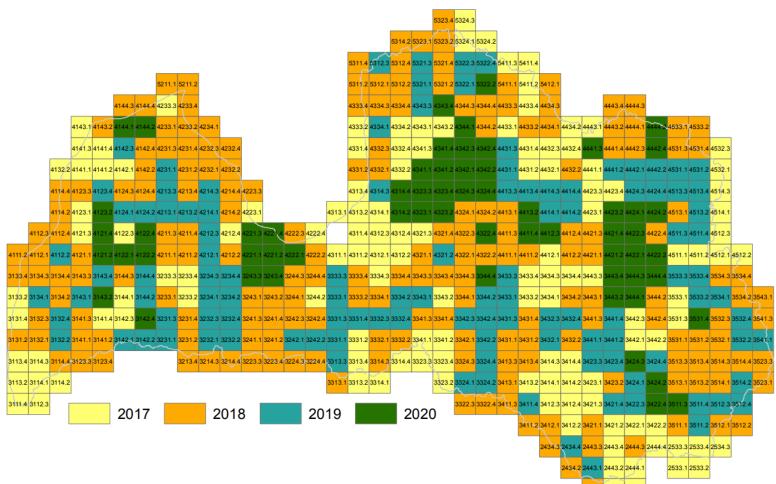


### **Main Goals of the Project:**

- To perform the inventory of habitats of EU importance across the whole country
- To develop management plans for 25 Natura2000 sites
   including two national parks
- To develop management plans for 5 species/groups of species (2 bat species, woodpeckers, owls, seals)



### **Habitat Inventory**



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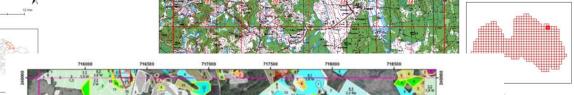
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### **Mapping Unit**

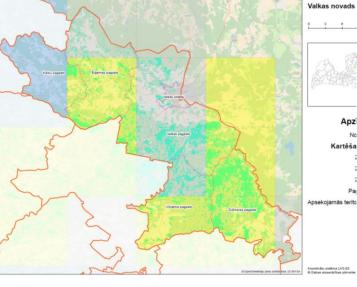
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#### Apzīmējumi

Kartes kvadrāts Kartes lapa









Apsekojamās terito



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### **Digitalization of data**

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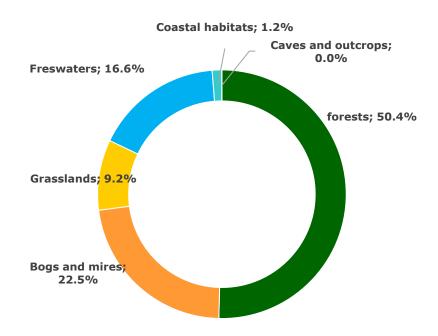






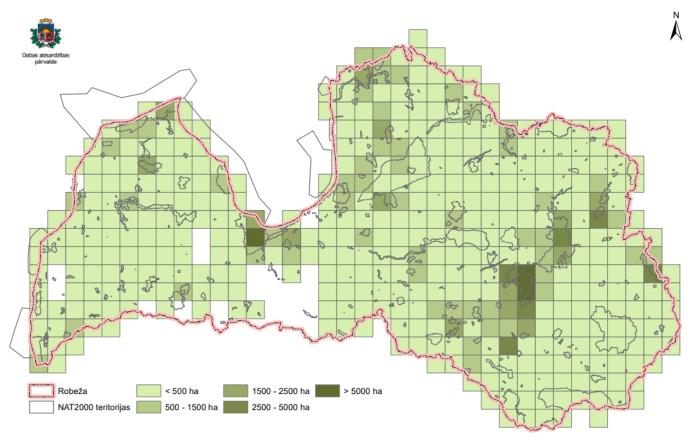
### **Habitats of EU importance in Latvia**

Habitats of EU importance covers  $\sim 10\%$  of mainland area.



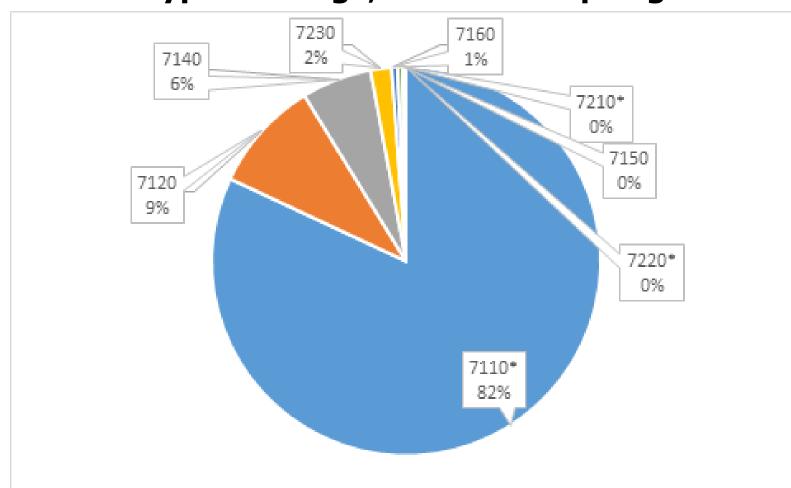


# Habitats of EU importance in Latvia – concentration of bogs, mires and springs



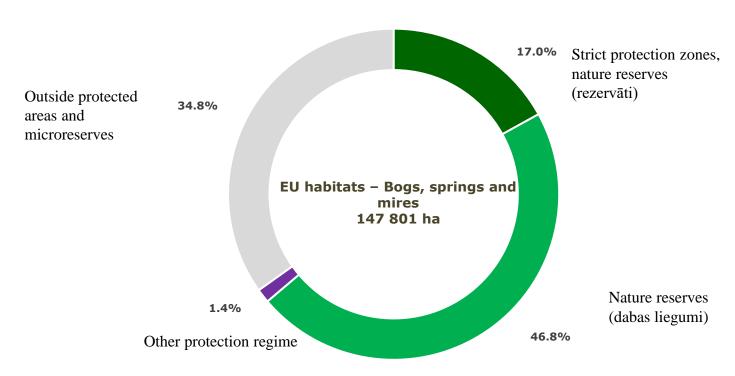


## Habitats of EU importance in Latvia – habitat types of bogs, mires and springs



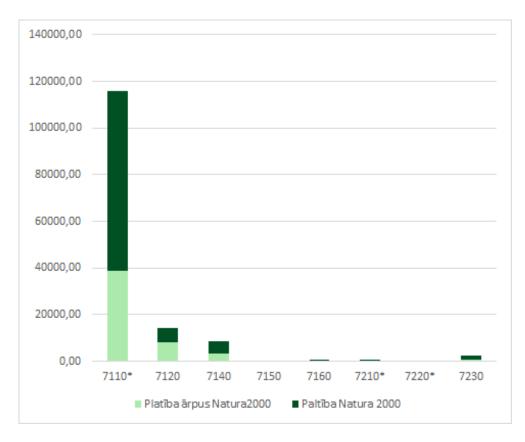


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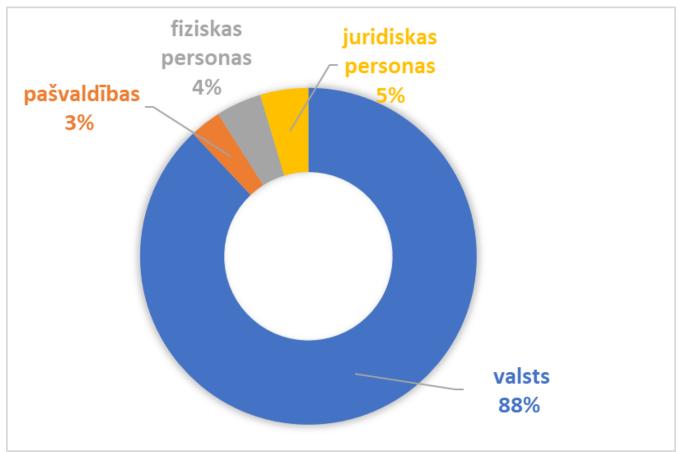


## Habitats of EU importance in Latvia – protection of habitat types of bogs, mires and springs



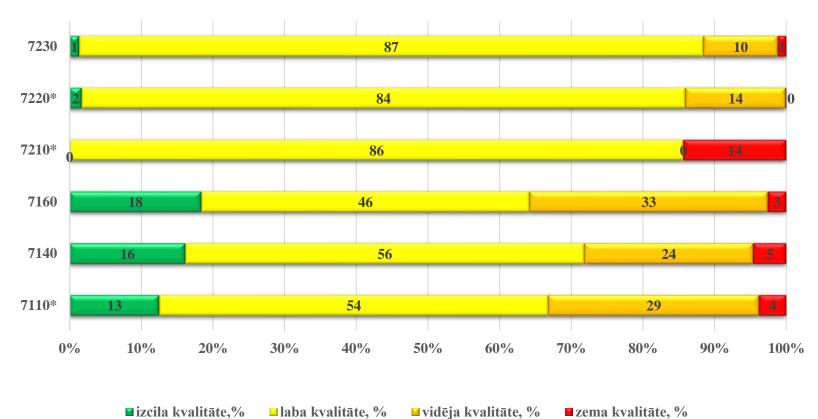


# Ownership of areas with habitats of EU importance (bogs, mires and springs)





### **Habitat quality evaluation**



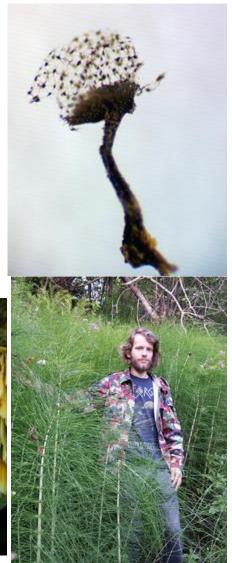


### **Findings**

- •at least 52 new species in Latvia
- •2 hillforts
- •12 new caves.







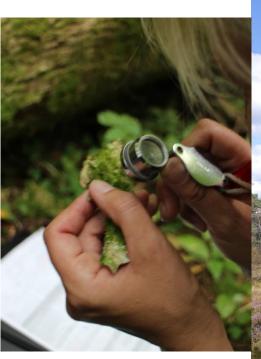


### **Next steps**

Institute of Electronics and Computer Science, project «Remote Sensing and Machine Learning for Bog Habitat Monitoring (PurvEO)» - recently created two geospatial data layers based on remote sensing data, which will help

- to improve monitoring of bog and marsh habitats
- to improve detection of habitat borders (border between bog and forest).
- LIFE IP LatViaNature
  - setting conservation objectives for Natura 2000 sites
  - setting conservation objectives for habitats and species of EU importance









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