

Council Directive 92/43/EEC of 21 May 1992 on the  
conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora

*Definitions*

*Article 2*

- 1 The aim of this Directive shall be to contribute towards ensuring bio-diversity through the conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora in the European territory of the Member States to which the Treaty applies.
- 2 Measures taken pursuant to this Directive shall be designed to maintain or restore, at favourable conservation status, natural habitats and species of wild fauna and flora of Community interest.
- 3 Measures taken pursuant to this Directive shall take account of economic, social and cultural requirements and regional and local characteristics.