THE NATURAL SCIENCE MUSEUMS WRITE TO THE POLITICIANS: "APPROVE THE RESTORATION LAW, NATURE CAN'T WAIT"

The European Consortium of Natural Sciences and Natural History Museums and Botanical Gardens gathered around CETAF jointly backs the **Nature Restoration Law** and urges the decision-maker to approve the Law, without reducing its ambition.

"The community quickly reacted when the Restoration Law has been put in danger in the European Parliament" - says **Ana Casino**, Executive Director of **CETAF** - "We jointly have drafted an **open letter** to the decision-makers to show our deep concern and to push them to respect the commitments under the Global Biodiversity Framework at the UN Convention on Biological Diversity COP15 in Montréal last December. We opened the letter even to other organizations and institutions outside CETAF because this is really a dramatic moment we can not miss" - Casino continues - "We shall not keep our eyes shut facing the accelerating climate change effects, the biodiversity crisis and the sizeable consequences on the food production and the health and safety of the populations."

It's worth remembering that almost half of the World's richness derives from nature. CETAF's members, all research institutions holding natural sciences collections, keep almost 80% of the World's described diversity.

"They definitely don't want to be holding more and more extinct species..." - ends Casino - "Nature's incredible capacity to self-restore must be tirelessly helped by political actions. We can not afford to lose more time and resources, that's why we are addressing this open letter to our legislators and decision-makers and we really hope the Nature Restoration Law will be approved at the EU level as soon as possible."

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