

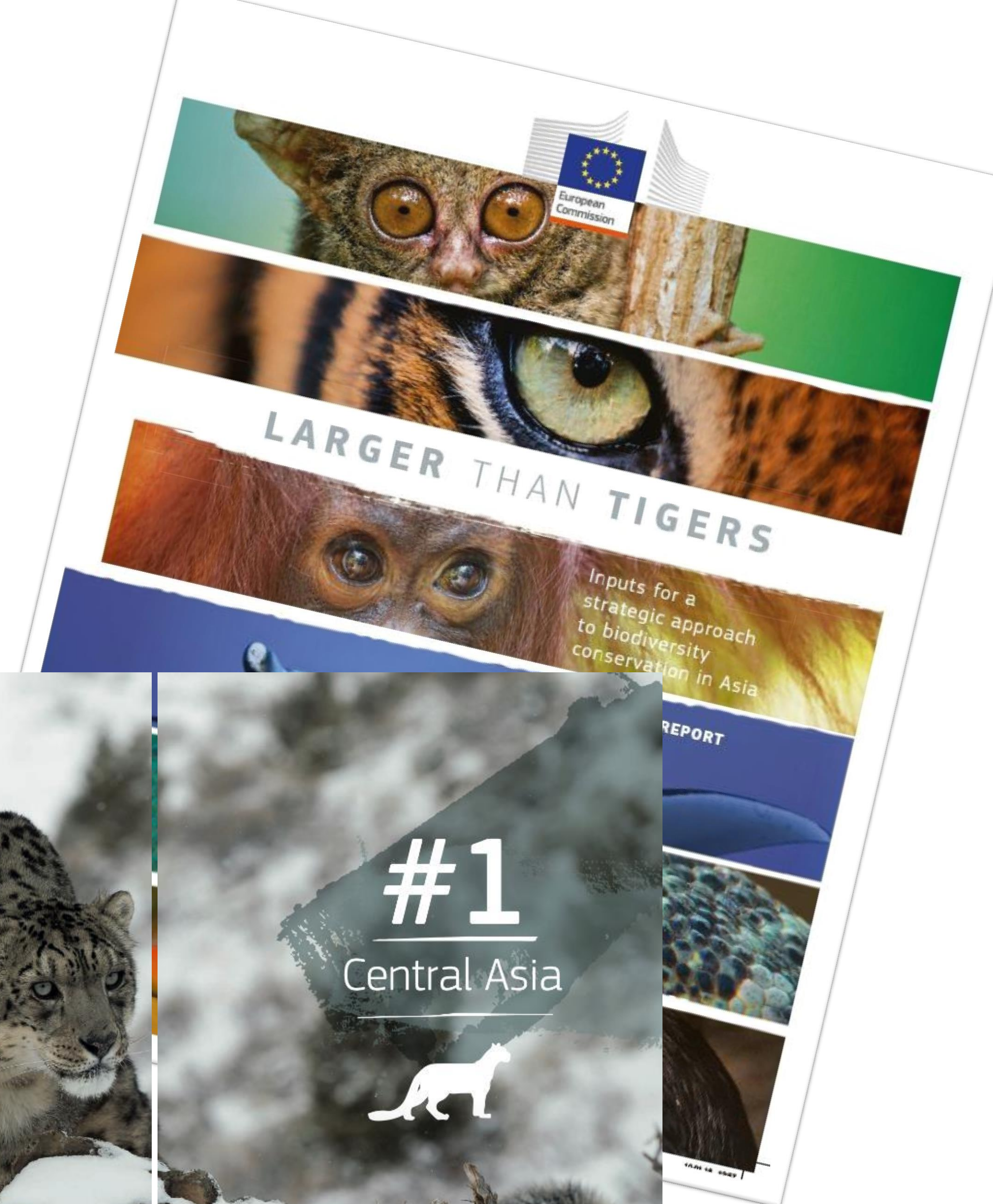


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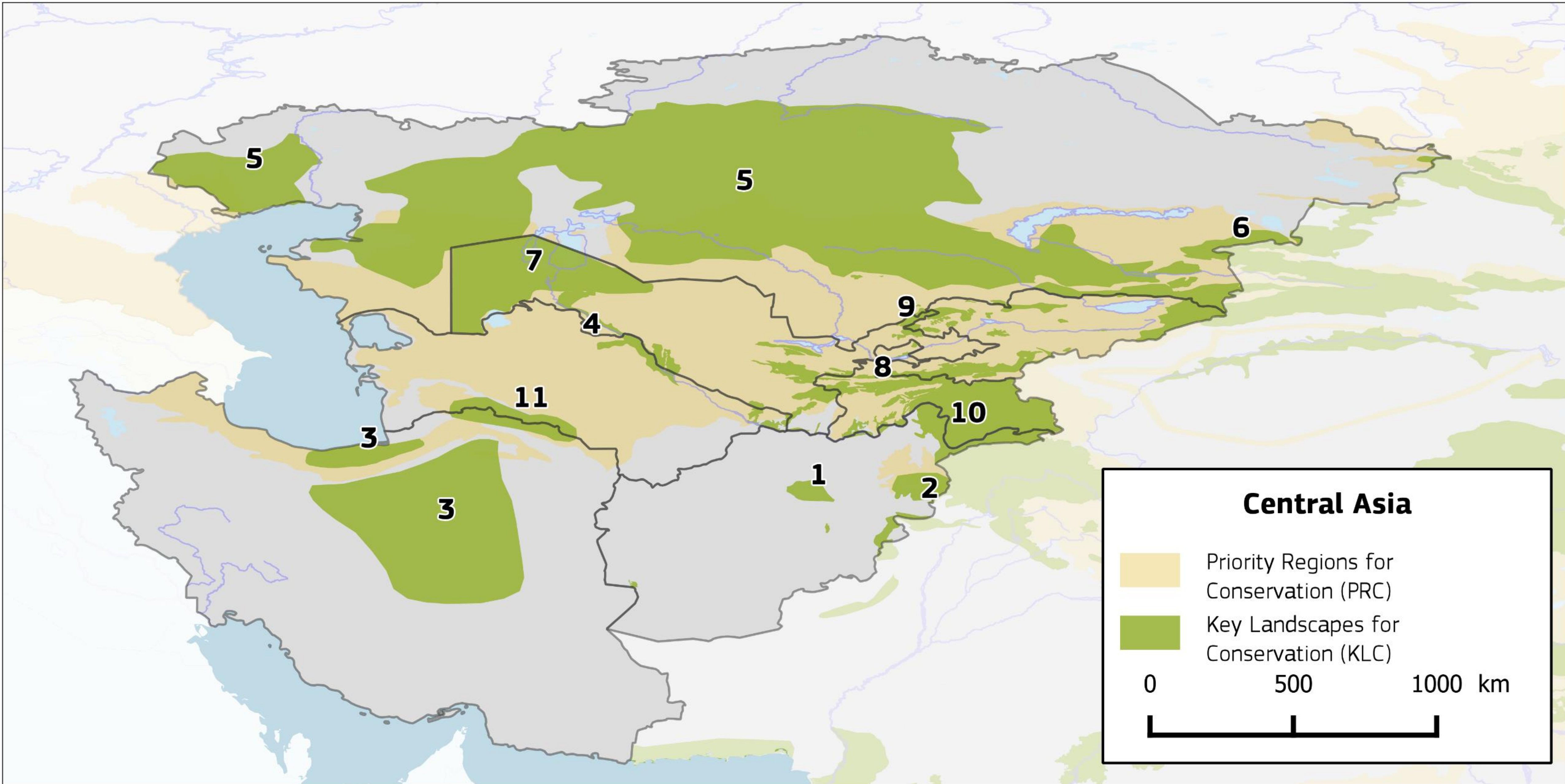
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Objectives of the Strategy

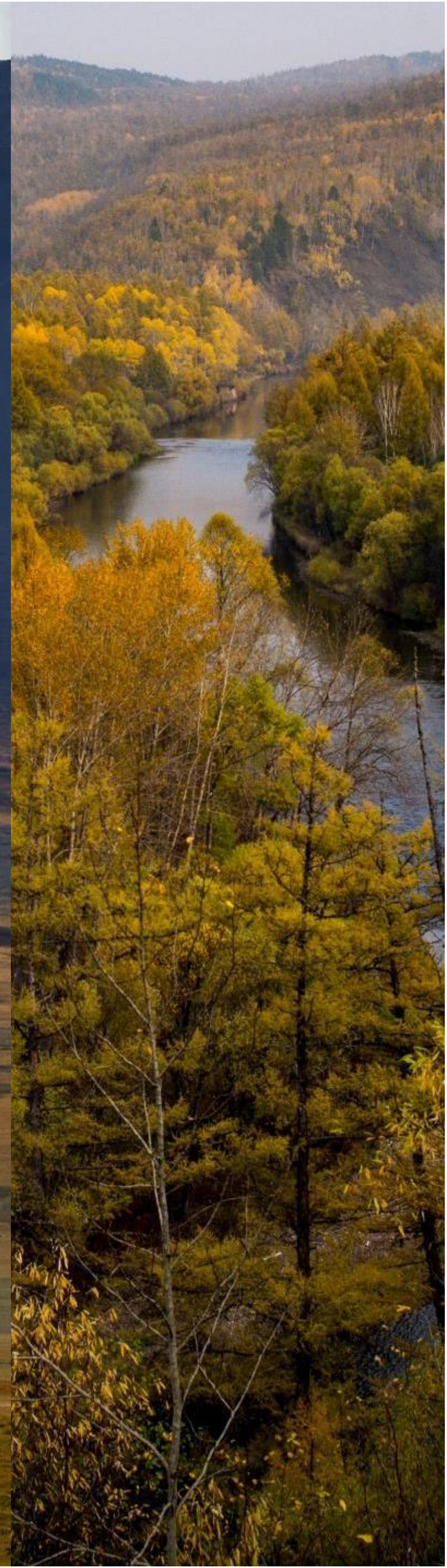
- Identify the principal threats to biodiversity in Central Asia and the most appropriate responses from the EU.
- Propose a coherent strategic approach outlining a suite of interventions that will enable EU and key partners to engage in biodiversity conservation.



Central Asia: Key Landscapes for Conservation



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>10,000 species of higher plants (20% endemic)

>1,000 species of vertebrates

>300 threatened species



Threats in Central Asia:

- **Habitat loss**
- **Habitat degradation**
- **Over-exploitation
and illegal wildlife trade**



Drivers in Central Asia:

- **Changing consumption patterns**
- **Weak governance**
- **Insecure rights**
- **Infrastructure developments**
- **Climate Change**



Strategic approaches:

- Protecting larger areas
- Landscape-level conservation with communities and civil societies
- Promote a greener economy



Protected areas:

- Resources
- Stakeholders
- Political support



Landscapes:

- Planning tools
- Stakeholders
- Mainstreaming sustainability



Green economy:

- **Private sector**
- **Mitigation hierarchy and green standards**
- **Renewable energy potential**



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