

## **Conclusions**



- LIFE FutureForCoppiceS proved **SFM Indicators**, both consolidated and new ones, to be a **reliable tool** in evaluating **coppice forest sustainability**.
- Since each management option (coppice, coppice in conversion to high forest, coppice left to natural evolution) turned out to promote different expressions of sustainability, their coexistence and contiguosness is a highly recommended solution in a context of global changes.



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- Proportions and balance among the different management options should be carefully evaluated and planned, from local up to regional scale, depending on the specific socioeconomic and environmental conditions.
- Specific data and statistics on coppice forests are the essential background for the development of a proper and sustainable management of this type of forest which represent more than 10% of EU forested area.



## **Conclusions**



- Policy makers at EU, national and regional level are encouraged to support data collection and statistics on coppice forests, at now often lacking.
- Promoting the sustainable management of coppices forests and their multifunctional role is an important contribute to EU Forest Strategy.





































































