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Upscaling Forest Restoration

***SUPERB - Systemic solutions
for upscaling of urgent
ecosystem restoration for
forest related biodiversity and
ecosystem services***



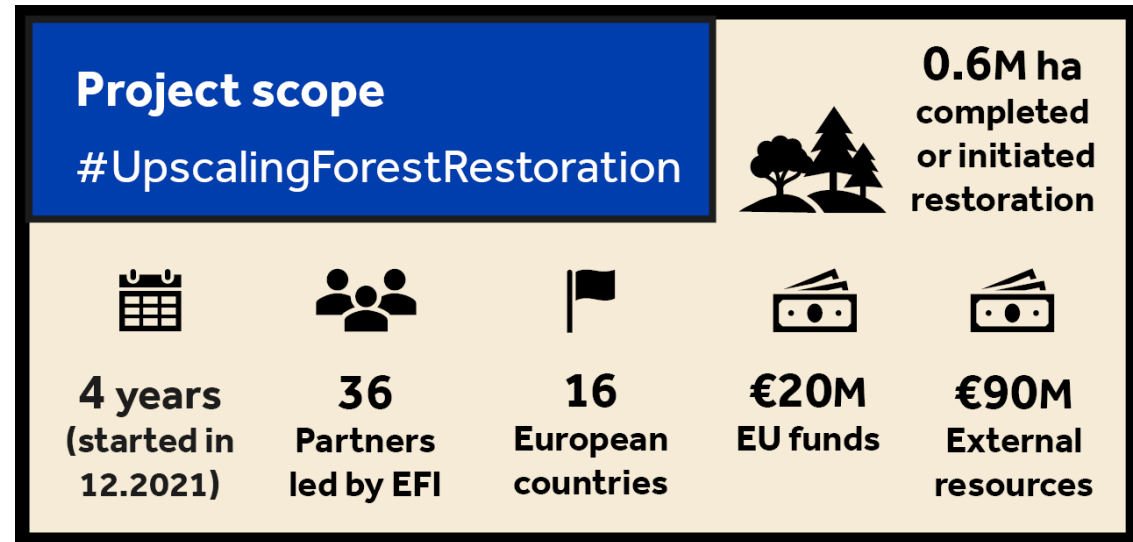
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Overall goal

SUPERB aims to **restore forest landscapes** across Europe by creating an enabling environment for the implementation of **forward-looking** forest restoration and management at different scales.



Reaching transformative change through:



1

Demonstrate and test successful restoration approaches in 12 large-scale demonstration areas



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Improve societal support for restoration and benefits from restoration



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Deliver evidence-based practical and latest scientific knowledge



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Deliver an online multi-language stakeholder-targeted Forest Restoration Gateway



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Launch an interactive online Marketplace

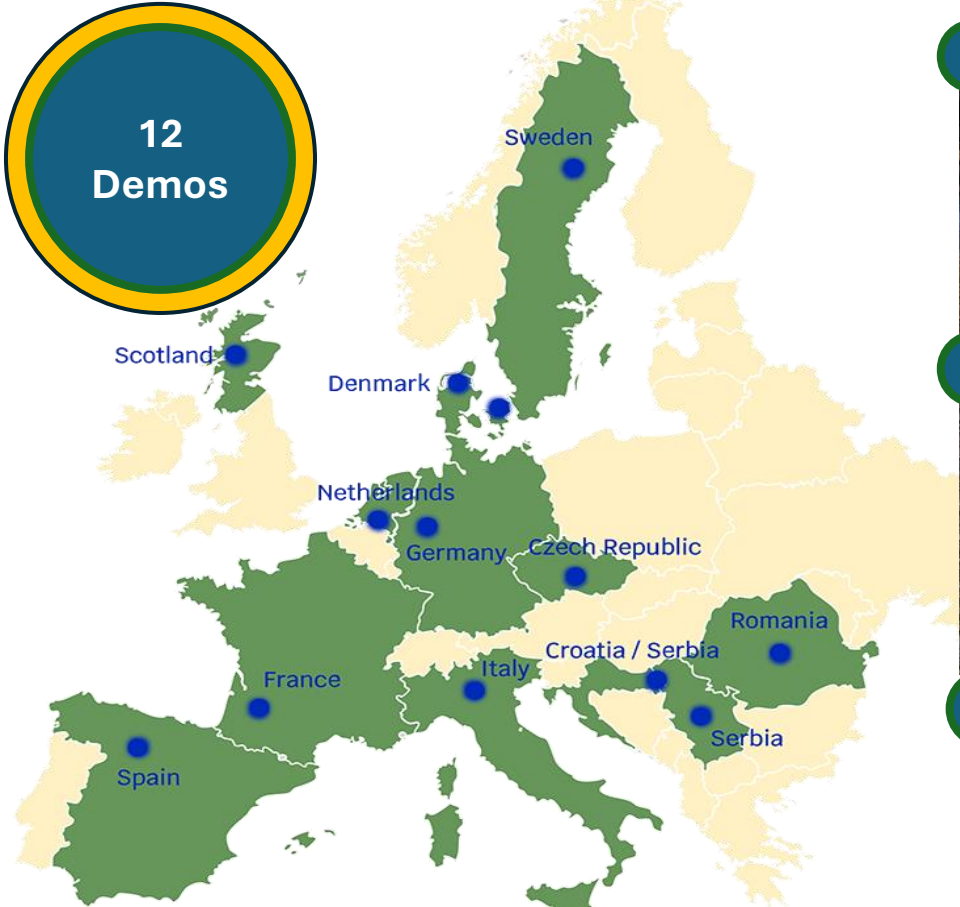


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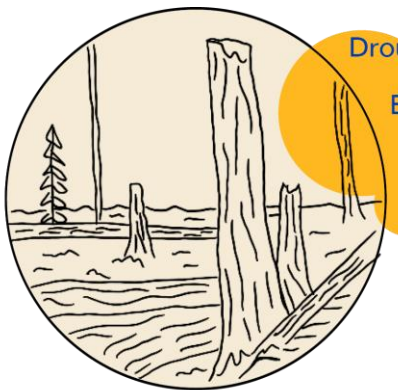
Create a large & powerful multi-stakeholder network and movement for transformative restoration



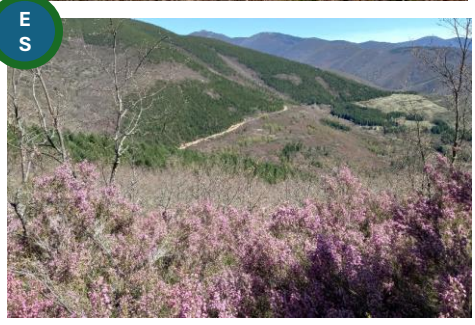
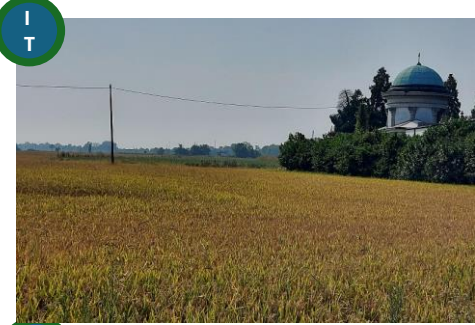
12 Demos



Among other common stressors:



- Drought
- Bark beetle
- Intense harvesting
- Climate change



Prestoration

Integrating highly-needed CC adaptation into forest restoration

Important tool from SUPERB: [seed4forest](#) app



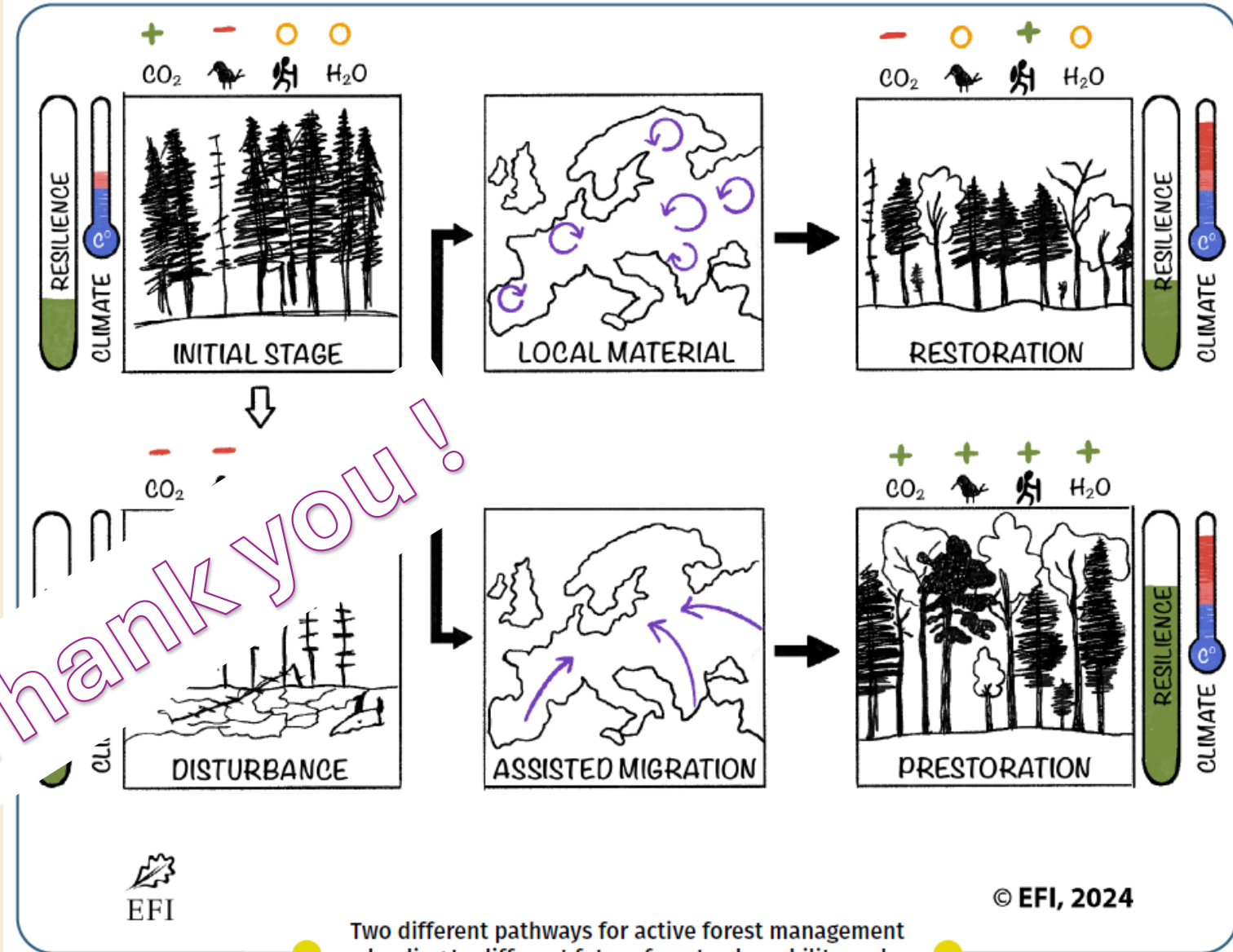
Various **barriers** exist:



- Question about nativeness
- Adaptation of forest habitats in Natura 2000 areas
- Nature Restoration Regulation does not provide answers to this issue, as CC is more considered as a reason to not fulfil to obligations of the regulation, rather than providing advise on how to adapt
- Availability of seeds and seedlings of suitable species and provenances
- **BROWSING**

Recommendations:

- Use a strategic blend of passive and active restoration measures
- Understand assisted tree species migration as an essential risk mitigation measure
- Identify and conserve local genetic material
- Redefine the concept of European native tree species based on their potential future ranges
- Set realistic restoration targets that can be achieved



Two different pathways for active forest management leading to different future forest vulnerability and ecosystem service provision

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