

Species name: **Macrovipera schweizeri**
Annex: **II*, IV**

Species group: **Amphibians & Reptiles**
Regions: **MED**

Assessments of conservation status at the European level (all biogeographical regions - EU25)



MS	Region	Conservation status assessment					Population size & unit	Population Trend
		Range	Population	Habitat	Future prospects	Overall		
EU25	MED						5000 - 5400 indiv.	=

The Cyclades Blunt-nosed Viper is endemic to the western Cyclades, the Greek islands in the Aegean Sea. It can be found on dry sunny hillsides with traditional land use, mainly in the associated dense arborescent vegetation.

The conservation status is 'unfavourable inadequate', although range and population size are stable, the reference values are higher than the actual. The habitat area is decreasing and the species inhabits various suboptimal habitats. The habitat is being lost mainly due to the opening up of quarries, in addition the species is also collected and persecuted. It is included in the 2008 IUCN red List as 'endangered'.

**Assessments of conservation status as reported by Member states
(all biogeographical regions - EU25)**



MS	Region	Conservation status assessment					Size&unit	Population trend	Data quality
		Range	Population	Habitat	Future prospects	Overall			
EL	MED						5000 - 5400 indiv.	=	2

Data quality is based on as assessment by each Member State, 1 = good, 2 = medium, 3 = poor

This information is derived from the Member State national reports submitted to the European Commission under Article 17 of the Habitats Directive in 2007 and covering the period 2001-2006. More detailed information is available at

<http://biodiversity.eionet.europa.eu/article17>