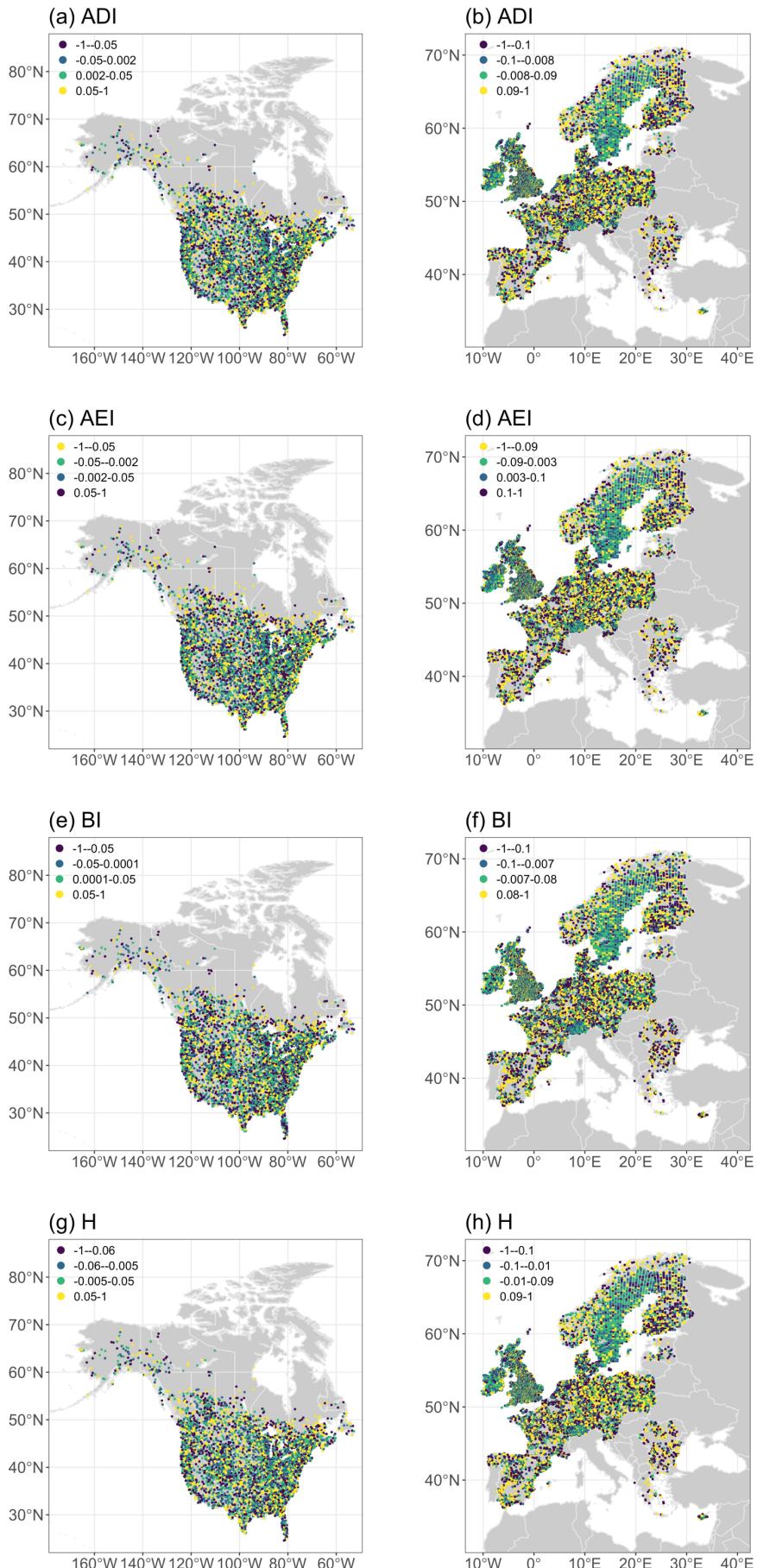
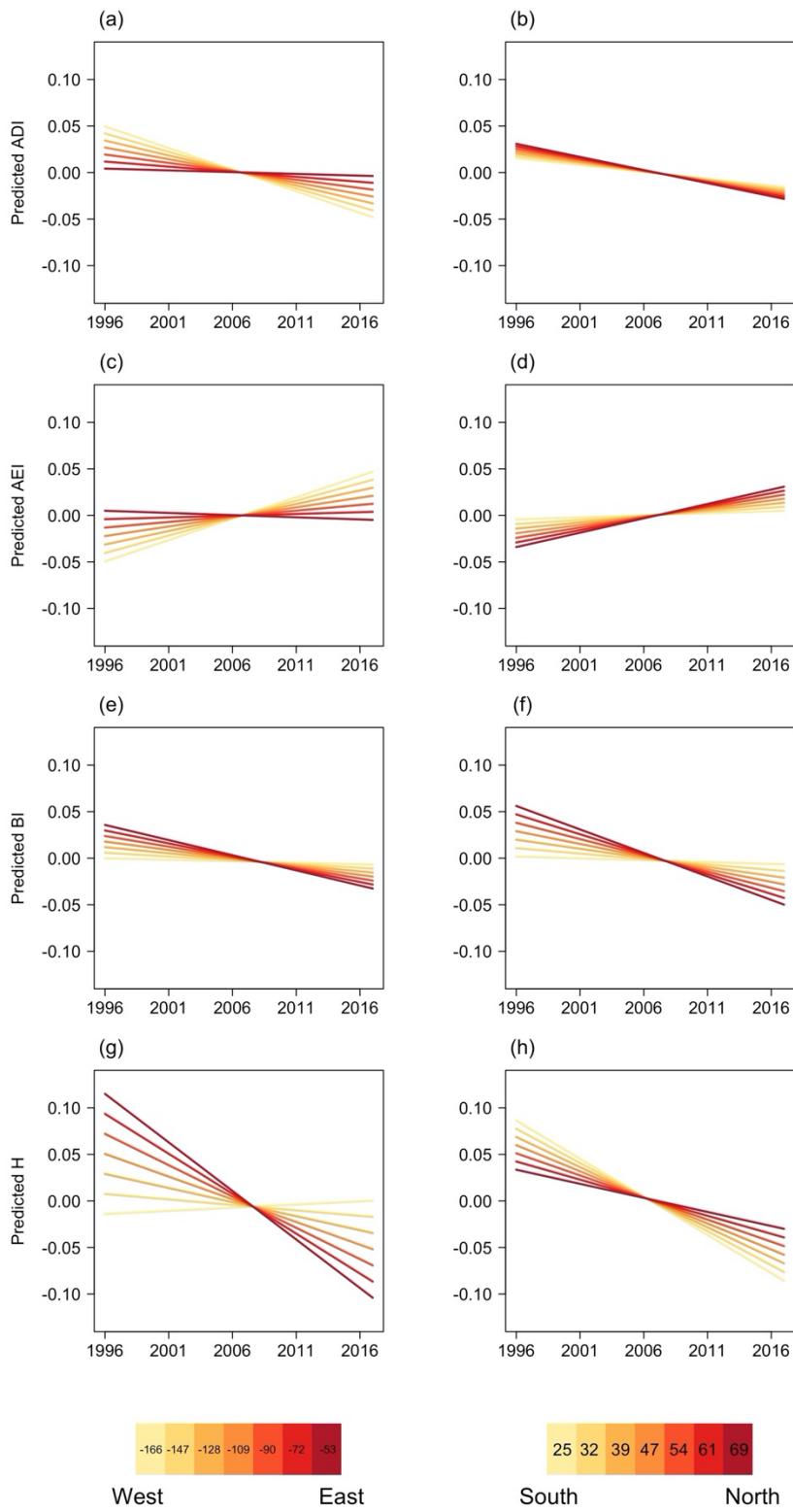


- 1 Bird population declines and species turnover are changing the acoustic properties of**
- 2 spring soundscapes**



4 **Supplementary Figure 1: Site-level spatial variation in acoustic index trends.** Site-level
5 trends in Acoustic Diversity Index, ADI (a,b), Acoustic Evenness Index, AEI (c,d), Bioacoustic
6 Index, BI (e,f) and Acoustic Entropy, H (g,h) at the first site of 4196 NA-BBS routes across
7 North America between 1996 and 2017 and in 16524 PECBMS sites across Europe surveyed
8 in at least three years between 1998 and 2018. Colours indicate the size and direction of
9 trend; note that the colour scheme is reversed for AEI, as positive trends are taken to
10 represent a reduction in soundscape quality for this metric. Note that site-level trends are
11 derived from changes in standardised annual values of each acoustic index.
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14 **Supplementary Figure 2: Predicted trends in acoustic indices across North America.**

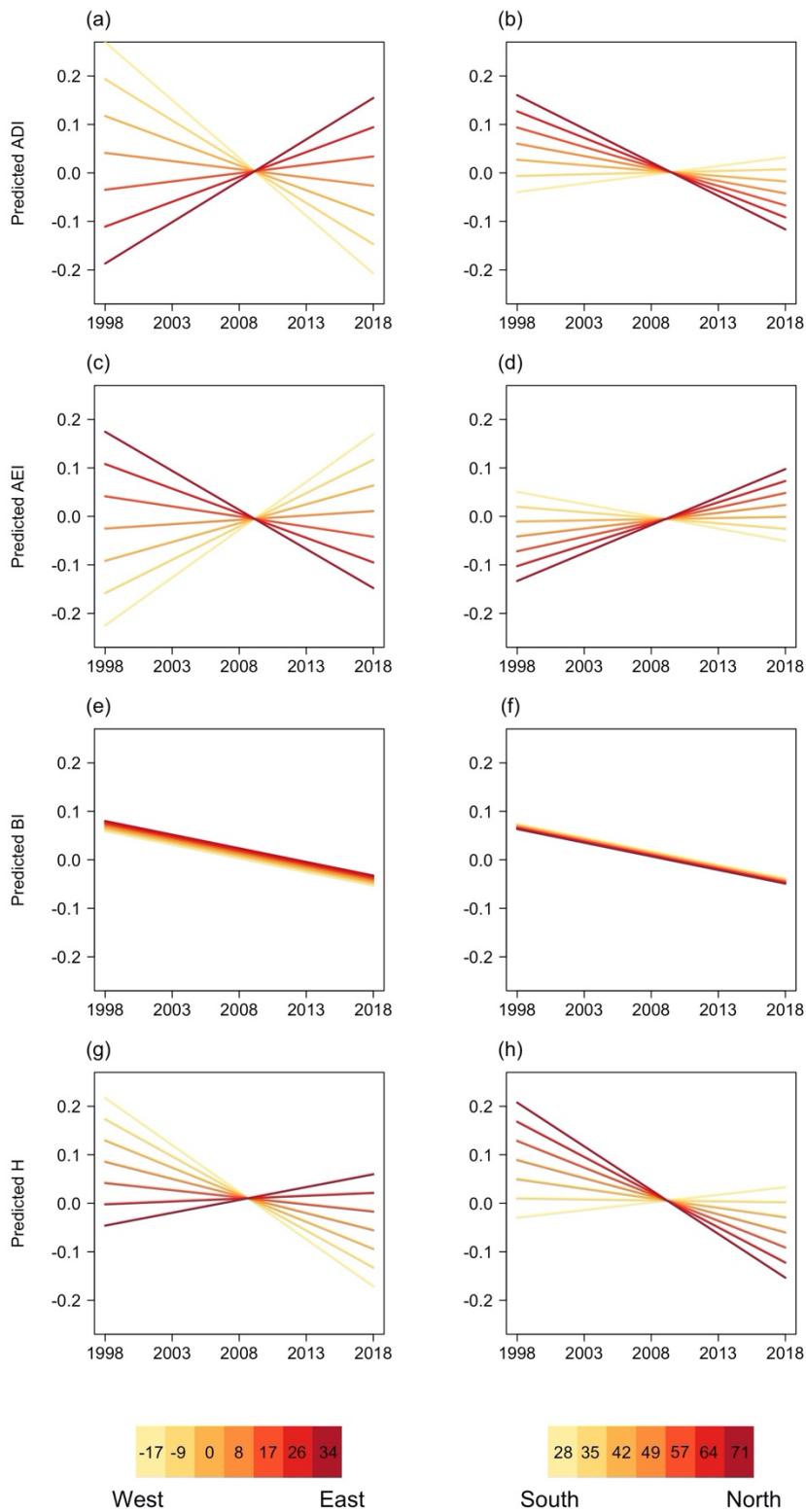
15 Predicted temporal trends in Acoustic Diversity Index, ADI (a,b), Acoustic Evenness Index,

16 AEI (c,d), Bioacoustic Index, BI (e,f) and Acoustic Entropy, H (g,h) in North America between

17 1996 and 2017. Coloured lines indicate predicted trends (Supplementary Table 1) at varying
18 longitudes (left column) and latitudes (right column) at equal intervals across the range of
19 the dataset from west and south (yellow) to east and north (red). Note that predicted
20 trends reflect temporal changes in standardised acoustic indices.

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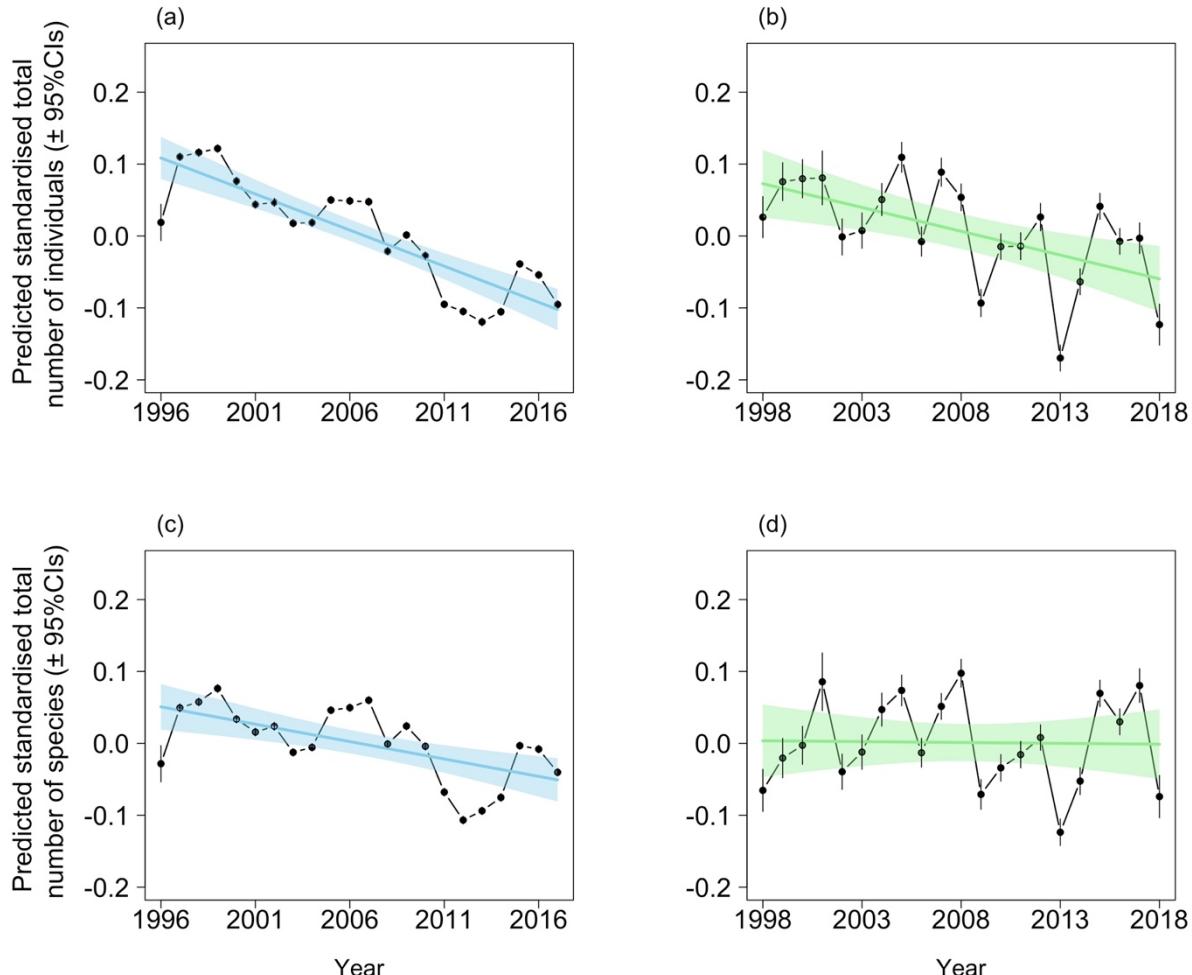


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24 **Supplementary Figure 3: Predicted trends in acoustic indices across Europe.** Predicted
 25 temporal trends in Acoustic Diversity Index, ADI (a,b), Acoustic Evenness Index, AEI (c,d),
 26 Bioacoustic Index, BI (e,f) and Acoustic Entropy, H (g,h) in Europe between 1998 and 2018.

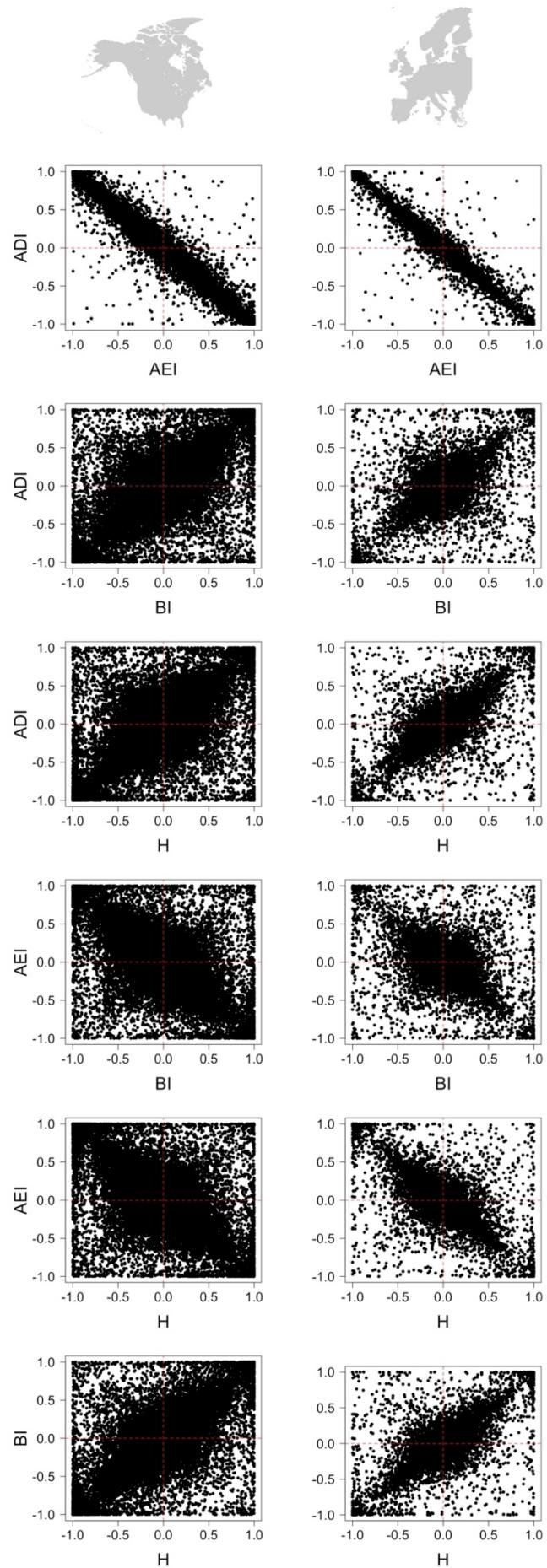
27 Coloured lines indicate predicted trends (Supplementary Table 2) at varying longitudes (left
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29 west and south (yellow) to east and north (red). Note that predicted trends reflect temporal
30 changes in standardised acoustic indices.

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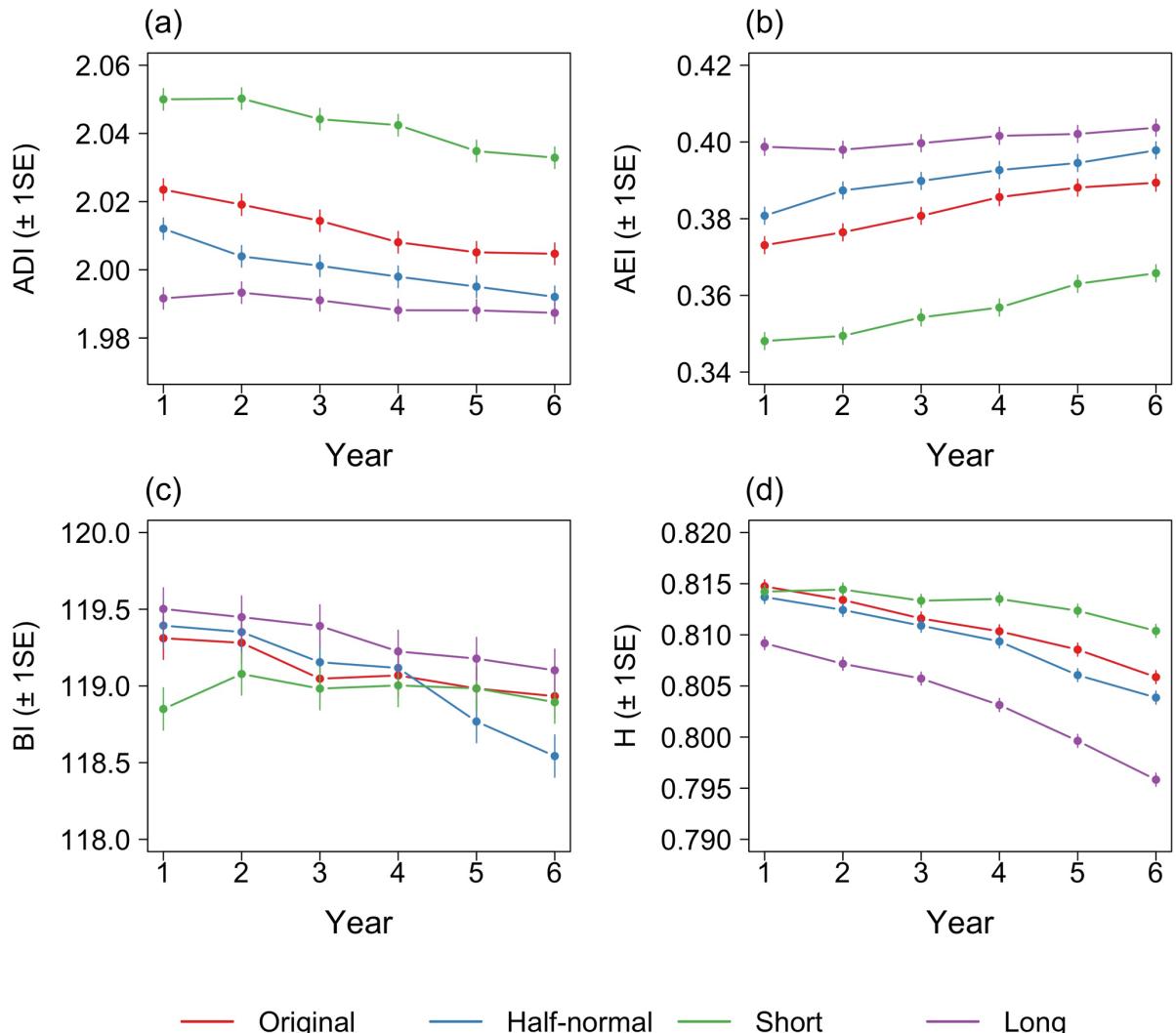
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33 **Supplementary Figure 4: Temporal trends in abundance and species richness.** Predicted
 34 annual variation in the total number of individuals (a,c) and total number of species (b,d) in
 35 North America (left column) between 1996 and 2017 and in Europe (right column) between
 36 1998 and 2018. Blue (North America) and green (Europe) lines show the predicted trends
 37 from GLMMs (Supplementary Table 4); shaded areas indicate 95% confidence intervals.
 38 Points show predicted annual values from GLMMs with the identical structure as those in
 39 Supplementary Table 4 but with year fitted as a categorical rather than a continuous
 40 variable, vertical lines indicate the 95% confidence intervals. Note that the total number of
 41 individuals and species recorded each year at each site were standardised prior to analyses.



43 **Supplementary Figure 5: Correlations in acoustic indices.** Pairwise associations between site-
44 level trends in acoustic indices (Acoustic Diversity Index (ADI), Acoustic Evenness Index (AEI),
45 Bioacoustic Index (BI), Acoustic Entropy (H)) in 202737 NA-BBS sites across North America
46 (left column) and in 16524 PECBMS sites across Europe (right column). Note that site-level
47 trends are derived from changes in standardised annual values of each acoustic index.

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50 **Supplementary Figure 6: Sensitivity of acoustic metrics to soundscape construction**

51 **methods.** Mean (± 1 standard error) Acoustic Diversity Index, ADI (a), Acoustic Evenness
 52 Index, AEI (b), Bioacoustic Index, BI (c) and Acoustic Entropy, H (d) of constructed
 53 soundscapes over a 6-year period for 1000 communities containing 10 randomly sampled
 54 European species. The abundance of each species in Year 1 was set to 10 individuals and
 55 declined linearly to five individuals by Year 6. Each line represents acoustic index values for
 56 soundscapes constructed using different methods: Original – default setting of 5-minute
 57 soundscape and playback volume sampled from a uniform distribution; Half-normal: 5-
 58 minute soundscape with playback volume sampled from a half-normal distribution; Short: 3-

59 minute soundscape with playback volume sampled from a uniform distribution; Long: 10-

60 minute soundscape with playback volume sampled from a uniform distribution.

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62 **Supplementary Table 1.** Results of GLMMs of the variation in a) Acoustic Diversity Index
 63 (ADI), (b) Acoustic Evenness Index (AEI), (c) Bioacoustic Index (BI) and (d) Acoustic Entropy
 64 (H) in 202737 NA-BBS sites across North America surveyed in at least three years between
 65 1996 and 2017. Note that annual values for each acoustic index were standardised at the
 66 site-level prior to analyses.

	Fixed effects	Estimate (SE)	χ^2	DF	p
(a) ADI	Latitude	0.00038 (0.00020)	0.01	1	0.951
	Longitude	-0.00044 (0.00008)	0.32	1	0.569
	Year	0.00285 (0.00095)	8.46	1	0.004
	Latitude*year	-0.00003 (0.00001)	4.21	1	0.004
	Longitude*year	0.00003 (0.00001)	43.11	1	<0.001
(b) AEI	Latitude	-0.00073 (0.00020)	0.01	1	0.930
	Longitude	0.00052 (0.00007)	0.23	1	0.634
	Year	-0.00528 (0.00087)	6.47	1	0.011
	Latitude*year	0.00006 (0.00001)	16.45	1	<0.001
	Longitude*year	-0.00004 (0.00001)	60.80	1	<0.001
(c) BI	Latitude	0.00134 (0.00020)	0.18	1	0.667
	Longitude	0.00034 (0.00008)	0.68	1	0.409
	Year	-0.00027 (0.00110)	6.08	1	0.014
	Latitude*year	-0.00011 (0.00001)	51.10	1	<0.001
	Longitude*year	-0.00003 (0.00001)	20.36	1	<0.001
(d) H	Latitude	-0.00131 (0.00020)	2.26	1	0.132

Longitude	0.00124 (0.00007)	1.89	1	0.169
Year	-0.02041 (0.00186)	12.79	1	<0.001
Latitude*year	0.00012 (0.00001)	63.03	1	<0.001
Longitude*year	-0.00010 (0.00001)	293.03	1	<0.001

68 **Supplementary Table 2.** Results of GLMMs of the variation in a) Acoustic Diversity Index
 69 (ADI), (b) Acoustic Evenness Index (AEI), (c) Bioacoustic Index (BI) and (d) Acoustic Entropy
 70 (H) in 16524 PECBMS sites across Europe surveyed in at least three years between 1998
 71 and 2018. Only significant interaction effects are retained. Note that annual values for each
 72 acoustic index were standardised at the site-level prior to analyses.

	Fixed effects	Estimate (SE)	χ^2	DF	p
(a) ADI	Latitude	0.0054 (0.0013)	0.05	1	0.816
	Longitude	-0.0093 (0.0008)	3.48	1	0.062
	Year	0.0109 (0.0058)	5.99	1	0.014
	Latitude*year	-0.0004 (0.0001)	17.64	1	<0.001
	Longitude*year	0.0008 (0.0001)	206.13	1	<0.001
(b) AEI	Latitude	-0.0046 (0.0013)	0.30	1	0.582
	Longitude	0.0085 (0.0008)	2.72	1	0.099
	Year	-0.0123 (0.0058)	3.09	1	0.079
	Latitude*year	0.0004 (0.0001)	16.00	1	<0.001
	Longitude*year	-0.0007 (0.0001)	158.13	1	<0.001
(c) BI	Latitude	-0.0002 (0.0005)	0.24	1	0.621
	Longitude	0.0004 (0.0003)	2.26	1	0.132
	Year	-0.0056 (0.0021)	6.91	1	0.009
(d) H	Latitude	0.0060 (0.0013)	0.32	1	0.571
	Longitude	-0.0056 (0.0008)	4.07	1	0.044
	Year	0.0146 (0.0059)	10.02	1	0.001

Latitude*year	-0.0005 (0.0001)	26.14	1	<0.001
Longitude*year	0.0005 (0.0001)	75.14	1	<0.001

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75 **Supplementary Table 3:** Results of GLMMs of the variation in community structure: (a) the
 76 total number of individuals and (b) the total number of species in 202737 NA-BBS sites
 77 across North America between 1996 and 2017 and in 16524 PECBMS sites across Europe
 78 between 1998 and 2018. Note that the total number of individuals and species recorded
 79 each year at each site were standardised prior to analyses.

	Fixed		North America				Europe			
	effects	Estimate (SE)	χ^2	DF	p	Estimate (SE)	χ^2	DF	p	
(a) Total number of individuals	Latitude	0.0001 (0.0001)	2.80	1	0.094	0.0009 (0.0005)	0.03	1	0.848	
	Longitude	0.0001 (0.0001)	7.21	1	0.007	-0.0002 (0.0003)	0.33	1	0.564	
	Year	-0.0100 (0.0012)	66.2	1	<0.001	-0.0003 (0.0022)	0.02	1	0.887	
(b) Total number of species	Latitude	0.0001 (0.0001)	0.587	1	0.044	0.0001 (0.0005)	0.03	1	0.863	
	Longitude	0.0001 (0.0001)	2.030	1	0.154	0.0001 (0.0003)	0.38	1	0.537	
	Year	-0.0048 (0.0013)	13.12	1	<0.001	-0.0066 (0.0021)	9.96	1	0.002	

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82 **Supplementary Table 4:** Results of Pearson correlations of pairwise associations between
83 site-level trends in acoustic indices, Acoustic Diversity Index (ADI), Acoustic Evenness Index
84 (AEI), Bioacoustic Index (BI) and Acoustic Entropy (H), in 202737 NA-BBS sites across North
85 America and in 16524 PECBMS sites across Europe. Note that site-level trends are derived
86 from changes in standardised annual values of each acoustic index.

Pairwise comparison	North America			Europe		
	r	t	p	r	t	p
ADI-AEI	-0.97	-1921	<0.001	-0.95	-385.07	<0.001
ADI-BI	0.59	329.53	<0.001	0.47	67.82	<0.001
ADI-H	0.54	288.38	<0.001	0.62	102.00	<0.001
AEI-BI	-0.56	-307.65	<0.001	-0.40	-54.98	<0.001
AEI-H	-0.51	-271.81	<0.001	-0.61	-100.14	<0.001
BI-H	0.67	404.23	<0.001	0.62	101.47	<0.001

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88 **Supplementary Table 5:** The survey method, number of sites included in our analyses and
 89 period covered by each of the PECBMS schemes.

Country	Survey method	Number of	Range of time
		sites	series
Austria	Point counts	348	1998 – 2017
Belgium	Point counts	252	1998 – 2017
Bulgaria	Line transects	176	2005 – 2016
Catalonia	Line transects	327	2002 – 2016
Cyprus	Line transects	136	2006 - 2017
Czech Republic	Point counts	197	1998 - 2018
Denmark	Point counts	708	1998 - 2016
Estonia	Point counts	15	1998 - 2016
Finland	Line transects and point counts	706	1998 - 2016
France	Point counts	1484	2001 - 2017
Germany	Line transects	1324	2005 - 2016
Greece	Point counts	44	2007 - 2016
Netherlands	Territory mapping	1510	1998 - 2016
Ireland	Line transects	399	1998 - 2016
Latvia	Line transects	45	2005 - 2016
Norway	Point counts	411	2006 - 2018
Poland	Line transects	975	2000 - 2017
Romania	Point counts	200	2007 - 2017
Slovenia	Line transects	104	2007 - 2017

Spain	Point counts	721	1998 - 2016
Sweden	Line transects and point counts	716	1998 - 2017
Switzerland	Territory mapping	259	1999 - 2016
United Kingdom	Line transects	5467	1998 – 2018

Supplementary Table 6: Results of Moran's I test for spatial autocorrelation in the modelled residuals of the GLMMs for North America (Supplementary Table 1) and Europe (Supplementary Table 2): a) Acoustic Diversity Index (ADI), (b) Acoustic Evenness Index (AEI), (c) Bioacoustic Index (BI) and (d) Acoustic Entropy (H). Years were tested separately.

North America							Europe						
	Year	Observed	Expected	Standard	p		Year	Observed	Expected	Standard	p		
		deviation							deviation				
(a) ADI	1996	-0.0492	-0.0085	0.0278	0.1428		1998	0.0038	-0.0002	0.0012	0.0010		
	1997	0.0006	-0.0004	0.0011	0.3691		1999	0.0075	-0.0002	0.0011	<0.001		
	1998	0.0026	-0.0004	0.0012	0.0116		2000	0.0072	-0.0002	0.0011	<0.001		
	1999	0.0017	-0.0004	0.0013	0.1105		2001	0.0109	-0.0004	0.0028	<0.001		
	2000	0.0007	-0.0004	0.0013	0.4134		2002	0.0054	-0.0002	0.0010	<0.001		
	2001	0.0000	-0.0004	0.0013	0.7600		2003	0.0082	-0.0002	0.0009	<0.001		
	2002	-0.0016	-0.0004	0.0014	0.3895		2004	0.0053	-0.0002	0.0008	<0.001		
	2003	0.0007	-0.0004	0.0014	0.4301		2005	0.0022	-0.0001	0.0007	<0.001		
	2004	0.0020	-0.0004	0.0011	0.0234		2006	0.0025	-0.0001	0.0006	<0.001		
	2005	0.0006	-0.0004	0.0011	0.4020		2007	0.0049	-0.0001	0.0006	<0.001		
	2006	0.0022	-0.0004	0.0013	0.0468		2008	0.0026	-0.0001	0.0006	<0.001		
	2007	0.0024	-0.0004	0.0011	0.0098		2009	0.0031	-0.0001	0.0006	<0.001		
	2008	0.0010	-0.0004	0.0014	0.3321		2010	0.0019	-0.0001	0.0005	<0.001		
	2009	0.0004	-0.0004	0.0012	0.5331		2011	0.0064	-0.0001	0.0005	<0.001		
	2010	-0.0013	-0.0004	0.0014	0.5020		2012	0.0035	-0.0001	0.0004	<0.001		
	2011	0.0032	-0.0004	0.0010	<0.001		2013	0.0031	-0.0001	0.0004	<0.001		

2012	0.0006	-0.0004	0.0014	0.4532		2014	0.0022	-0.0001	0.0005	<0.001
2013	-0.0005	-0.0004	0.0012	0.9273		2015	0.0026	-0.0001	0.0004	<0.001
2014	-0.0001	-0.0004	0.0015	0.8354		2016	0.0045	-0.0001	0.0005	<0.001
2015	0.0025	-0.0004	0.0014	0.0355		2017	0.0039	-0.0002	0.0006	<0.001
2016	0.0011	-0.0004	0.0012	0.2266		2018	0.0023	-0.0003	0.0007	<0.001
2017	0.0008	-0.0004	0.0013	0.3554						
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(b) AEI	1996	-0.0424	-0.0085	0.0278	0.2220	1998	0.0043	-0.0002	0.0012	<0.001
	1997	0.0006	-0.0004	0.0011	0.3949	1999	0.0060	-0.0002	0.0011	<0.001
	1998	0.0025	-0.0004	0.0012	0.0134	2000	0.0059	-0.0002	0.0011	<0.001
	1999	0.0015	-0.0004	0.0013	0.1406	2001	0.0122	-0.0004	0.0028	<0.001
	2000	0.0006	-0.0004	0.0013	0.4438	2002	0.0058	-0.0002	0.0010	<0.001
	2001	0.0002	-0.0004	0.0013	0.6642	2003	0.0080	-0.0002	0.0009	<0.001
	2002	-0.0019	-0.0004	0.0014	0.2764	2004	0.0058	-0.0002	0.0008	<0.001
	2003	0.0021	-0.0004	0.0014	0.0747	2005	0.0019	-0.0001	0.0007	<0.001
	2004	0.0020	-0.0004	0.0011	0.0235	2006	0.0024	-0.0001	0.0006	<0.001
	2005	-0.0001	-0.0004	0.0011	0.7860	2007	0.0048	-0.0001	0.0006	<0.001
	2006	0.0020	-0.0004	0.0013	0.0659	2008	0.0028	-0.0001	0.0006	<0.001
	2007	0.0023	-0.0004	0.0011	0.0121	2009	0.0036	-0.0001	0.0006	<0.001
	2008	0.0020	-0.0004	0.0014	0.0900	2010	0.0022	-0.0001	0.0005	<0.001
	2009	0.0000	-0.0004	0.0012	0.7650	2011	0.0079	-0.0001	0.0005	<0.001
	2010	-0.0018	-0.0004	0.0014	0.3101	2012	0.0034	-0.0001	0.0004	<0.001
	2011	0.0028	-0.0004	0.0010	0.0016	2013	0.0036	-0.0001	0.0004	<0.001
	2012	0.0004	-0.0004	0.0014	0.5842	2014	0.0016	-0.0001	0.0005	<0.001

2013	-0.0001	-0.0004	0.0012	0.7947		2015	0.0024	-0.0001	0.0004	<0.001
2014	0.0002	-0.0004	0.0015	0.6865		2016	0.0056	-0.0001	0.0005	<0.001
2015	0.0020	-0.0004	0.0014	0.0799		2017	0.0032	-0.0002	0.0006	<0.001
2016	0.0016	-0.0004	0.0012	0.1135		2018	0.0026	-0.0003	0.0007	<0.001
2017	0.0014	-0.0004	0.0013	0.1684						
(c) BI	1996	-0.0017	-0.0085	0.0278	0.8068	1998	0.0078	-0.0002	0.0012	<0.001
	1997	0.0019	-0.0004	0.0011	0.0465	1999	0.0078	-0.0002	0.0011	<0.001
	1998	0.0033	-0.0004	0.0012	0.0017	2000	0.0047	-0.0002	0.0011	<0.001
	1999	0.0006	-0.0004	0.0013	0.4415	2001	0.0145	-0.0004	0.0028	<0.001
	2000	-0.0003	-0.0004	0.0013	0.9230	2002	0.0013	-0.0002	0.0010	0.1405
	2001	0.0015	-0.0004	0.0013	0.1552	2003	0.0056	-0.0002	0.0009	<0.001
	2002	-0.0002	-0.0004	0.0014	0.8886	2004	0.0031	-0.0002	0.0008	<0.001
	2003	0.0000	-0.0004	0.0014	0.7950	2005	0.0024	-0.0001	0.0007	<0.001
	2004	0.0009	-0.0004	0.0011	0.2110	2006	0.0012	-0.0001	0.0006	0.0371
	2005	0.0006	-0.0004	0.0011	0.3857	2007	0.0023	-0.0001	0.0006	<0.001
	2006	0.0009	-0.0004	0.0013	0.3178	2008	0.0024	-0.0001	0.0006	<0.001
	2007	0.0027	-0.0004	0.0011	0.0043	2009	0.0020	-0.0001	0.0006	<0.001
	2008	0.0020	-0.0004	0.0014	0.0951	2010	0.0025	-0.0001	0.0005	<0.001
	2009	-0.0015	-0.0004	0.0012	0.3652	2011	0.0008	-0.0001	0.0005	0.0716
	2010	-0.0018	-0.0004	0.0014	0.3241	2012	0.0023	-0.0001	0.0004	<0.001
	2011	0.0012	-0.0004	0.0010	0.1123	2013	0.0021	-0.0001	0.0004	<0.001
	2012	0.0015	-0.0004	0.0014	0.1568	2014	0.0016	-0.0001	0.0005	<0.001
	2013	-0.0004	-0.0004	0.0012	0.9789	2015	0.0033	-0.0001	0.0004	<0.001

2014	-0.0020	-0.0004	0.0015	0.2761		2016	0.0072	-0.0001	0.0005	<0.001	
2015	0.0020	-0.0004	0.0014	0.0814		2017	0.0043	-0.0002	0.0006	<0.001	
2016	0.0018	-0.0004	0.0012	0.0748		2018	0.0014	-0.0003	0.0007	0.0255	
2017	0.0000	-0.0004	0.0013	0.7756							
(d) H	1996	0.0197	-0.0085	0.0279	0.3119		1998	0.0133	-0.0002	0.0012	<0.001
	1997	0.0025	-0.0004	0.0011	0.0093		1999	0.0131	-0.0002	0.0011	<0.001
	1998	0.0028	-0.0004	0.0012	0.0072		2000	0.0111	-0.0002	0.0011	<0.001
	1999	0.0018	-0.0004	0.0013	0.0884		2001	0.0193	-0.0004	0.0028	<0.001
	2000	0.0005	-0.0004	0.0013	0.5046		2002	0.0074	-0.0002	0.0010	<0.001
	2001	0.0021	-0.0004	0.0013	0.0599		2003	0.0092	-0.0002	0.0009	<0.001
	2002	0.0023	-0.0004	0.0014	0.0544		2004	0.0067	-0.0002	0.0008	<0.001
	2003	0.0003	-0.0004	0.0014	0.6037		2005	0.0034	-0.0001	0.0007	<0.001
	2004	0.0023	-0.0004	0.0011	0.0112		2006	0.0037	-0.0001	0.0006	<0.001
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	2008	0.0035	-0.0004	0.0014	0.0058		2010	0.0039	-0.0001	0.0005	<0.001
	2009	0.0015	-0.0004	0.0012	0.1263		2011	0.0028	-0.0001	0.0005	<0.001
	2010	0.0005	-0.0004	0.0014	0.5455		2012	0.0017	-0.0001	0.0004	<0.001
	2011	0.0039	-0.0004	0.0010	<0.001		2013	0.0048	-0.0001	0.0004	<0.001
	2012	0.0026	-0.0004	0.0014	0.0286		2014	0.0051	-0.0001	0.0005	<0.001
	2013	0.0018	-0.0004	0.0012	0.0719		2015	0.0070	-0.0001	0.0004	<0.001
	2014	-0.0011	-0.0004	0.0015	0.6392		2016	0.0145	-0.0001	0.0005	<0.001

2015	0.0042	-0.0004	0.0014	<0.001		2017	0.0071	-0.0002	0.0006	<0.001
2016	0.0007	-0.0004	0.0012	0.3899		2018	0.0021	-0.0003	0.0007	0.0017
2017	-0.0015	-0.0004	0.0013	0.3591						