### **Supporting Information**

## **TABLES**

**Table S1.** Spearman rank correlations between plant species richness (plant\_rich) and plant-derived environmental bioindication (Ellenberg Indicator Values; E\_light, E\_moisture, E\_pH, and E\_nutrients) and measured abiotic factors. The abiotic factors include soil pH, soil C, N and P concentrations (soil\_pH, soil\_c, soil\_n, soil\_p), leaf N and P concentrations (leaf\_n and leaf\_p), soil moisture (soil\_moisture), soil surface temperature (soil\_surface\_temp), air temperature (air\_temp), light intensity (light\_intensity), vapor pressure deficit (vpd), number of trees >40dbh (trees\_40dbh), dead wood volume (deadwood\_vol) and lidar derived mean canopy height (canopy\_height). Significance level indicated by:  $* \le 0.05$ ,  $** \le 0.01$ ,  $*** \le 0.001$ .

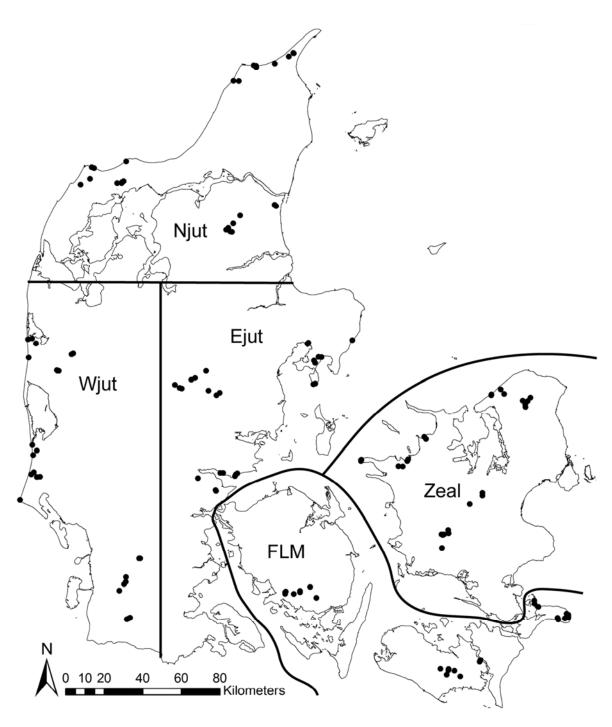
	plant_rich	E_light	E_moisture	E_pH	E_nutrients
E_light	0.152				
E_moisture	0.011	0.027			
E_pH	0.468***	-0.13	-0.262**		
E_nutrients	0.18*	-0.458***	-0.149	0.821***	
soil_ph	0.55***	0.2*	-0.258**	0.702***	0.397***
soil_c	0.292***	0.136	-0.087	0.004	-0.111
soil_n	0.384***	0.113	-0.495***	0.504***	0.338***
soil_p	0.401***	0.018	-0.486***	0.685***	0.535***
leaf_n	-0.025	-0.374***	0.051	0.46***	0.681***
leaf_p	-0.006	-0.246**	-0.201*	0.442***	0.65***
soil_moisture	0.14	0.087	0.854***	-0.04	-0.002
soil_surface_temp	0.122	0.609***	-0.126	-0.159	-0.415***
air_temp	0.134	0.433***	-0.152	0.121	-0.085
light_intensity	0.125	0.737***	0.024	-0.2*	-0.497***
vpd	0.078	0.561***	-0.25**	-0.129	-0.405***
trees_40dbh	-0.213*	-0.72***	-0.132	0.064	0.356***
deadwood_vol	-0.195*	-0.638***	-0.012	0.031	0.331***
canopy_height	-0.198*	-0.802***	0.043	0.019	0.328***

	plant_rich	
Bryophytes	0.016	
Carabids	0.028	
Gallers	0.381***	
Gastropods	0.221*	
Hoverflies	0.265**	
Lichens	-0.006	
Macrofungi	0.059	
Spiders	0.247**	
Total richness	0.165	

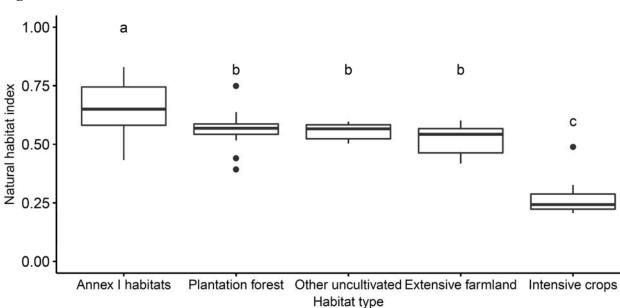
**Table S2.** Spearman rank correlation between plant species richness (plant\_rich) and species richness of other taxonomic groups and OTU richness. Significance level indicated by:  $* \le 0.05$ ,  $** \le 0.01$ ,  $*** \le 0.001$ .

#### **FIGURES**

# Figure S1

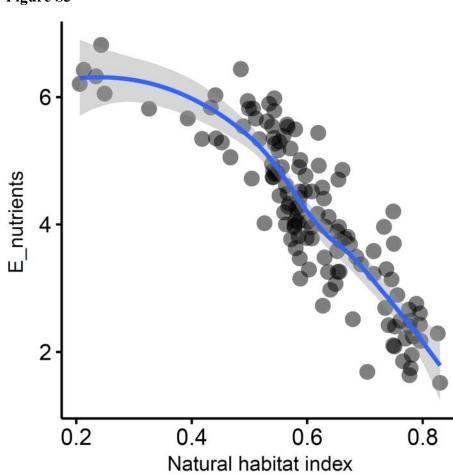


**Figure S1.** Map of Denmark showing the location of the 130 sites grouped into 15 clusters within five regions (Njut: Northern Jutland, Wjut: Western Jutland, Ejut: Eastern Jutland, FLM: Funen, Lolland, Møn, Zeal: Zealand).



**Figure S2.** Boxplot of natural habitat index for sites of five different habitat types varying in naturalness from very natural (Annex 1 habitat) to medium natural (other uncultivated habitats, logged woodlands and extensive farming) to unnatural habitats (intensive crops). Letters indicate significant difference in means using Tukey tests.

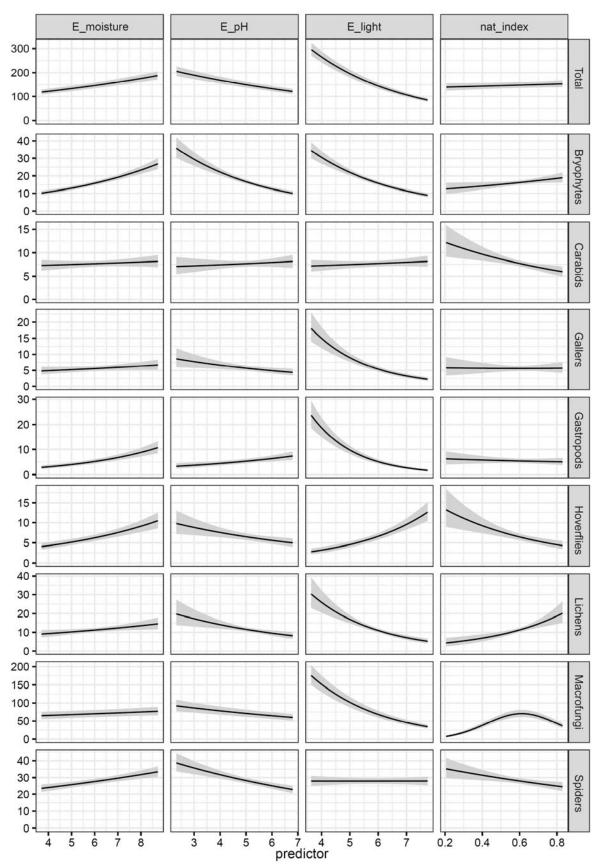
## Figure S2

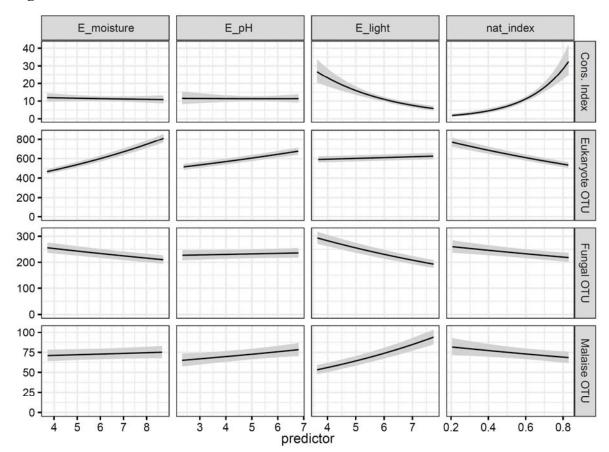


**Figure S3.** Correlation between natural habitat index and Ellenberg nutrient status (E\_nutrients) ( $R^2=0.73\%$  for a linear model). Loess smoother shown in blue.

# Figure S3







#### **Figure S4 continued**

**Figure S4:** Multiple regression responses and 95% BCI of explanatory variables to species richness of various taxonomic groups, Conservation Index and OTU richness. For model details see table 1.