



2014-2018 Work Programme Focus on the Roles of Bureau, MEP, and Experts

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Structure and key elements of the Platform work programme

Platform goal

Strengthen the science-policy interface for biodiversity
and ecosystem services
for the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity,
long-term human well-being and sustainable development

Platform functions, operational principles and procedures

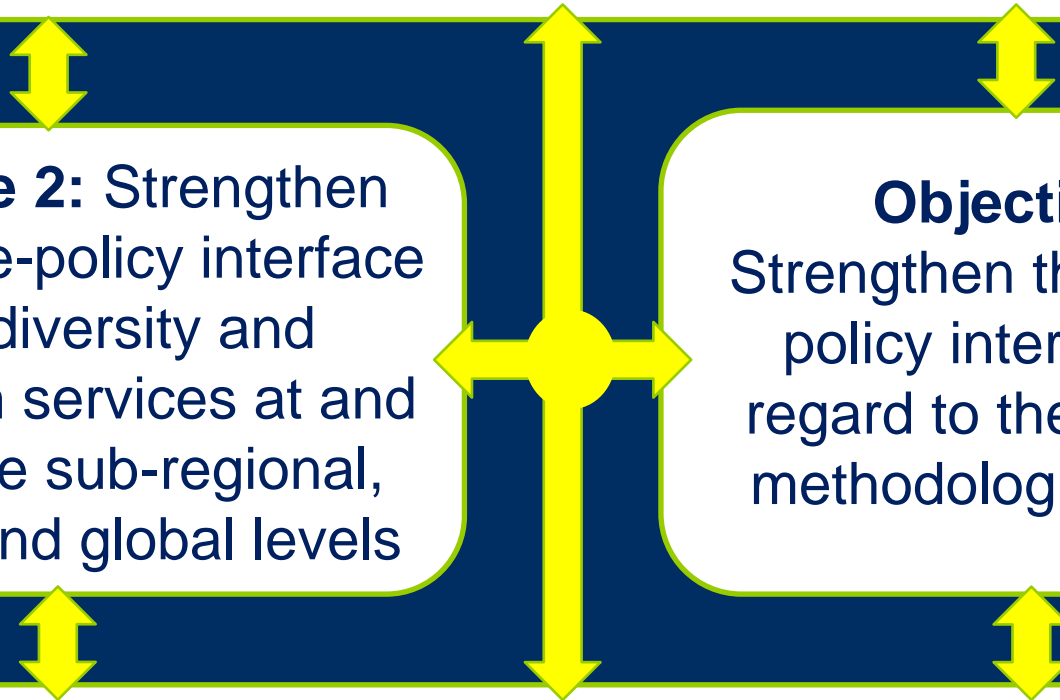
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Objective 3: Strengthen the science-policy interface with regard to thematic and methodological issues

Objective 4: Communicate and evaluate IPBES activities, deliverables and findings



Objectives and deliverables

Objective 1: Strengthen the capacity and knowledge foundations of the science-policy interface to implement key IPBES functions

1a Priority capacity building needs are matched with resources through catalysing financial and in kind support

1b Capacities needed to implement the Platform work programme developed

1c Procedures and approaches for working with indigenous and local knowledge systems developed

1d Priority knowledge and data needs for policymaking addressed through catalysing efforts to generate new knowledge and networking

Objective 2: Strengthen the science-policy interface on biodiversity and ecosystem services at and across the sub-regional, regional and global levels

2a Guide on production and integration of assessments from and across all scales

2b Regional/subregional assessments on biodiversity, ecosystem services

2c Global assessment on biodiversity and ecosystem services

Objectives and deliverables

3a One fast track assessment on pollination and food production

3b Three thematic assessments: land degradation and restoration; invasive alien species; and sustainable use and conservation of biodiversity and strengthening capacities/tools

Objective 3:
Strengthen the knowledge-policy interface with regard to thematic and methodological issues

3c Methodological assessment on scenario analysis and modelling of biodiversity and ecosystem services based on a fast track assessment and a guide

3d Methodological assessment on diverse conceptualization of values of biodiversity and nature's benefits to people including ecosystem services based on scoping for an assessment and a guide

Objective 3:
Strengthen the knowledge-policy interface with regard to thematic and methodological issues

4a Catalogue of relevant assessments

4b Development of an information and data management plan

4c Guide on and catalogue of policy support tools and methodologies

4d Communication, outreach and engagement strategies, products and processes

4e Reviews of the effectiveness of the Platform

Objective 4: Communicate and evaluate IPBES activities, deliverables and findings

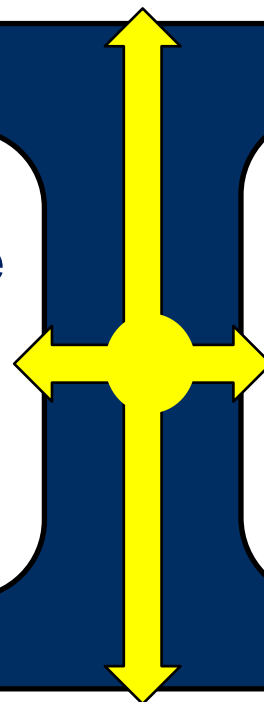
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Four key areas of action in 2014

Task forces:

Capacity Building; Knowledge and Data; ILK

Scoping of assessments:

Valuation; Invasive species; Sustainable use; Regional and sub-regional assessments

Guidance documents:

Valuation; Regional and thematic assessments; Policy support tools

Assessments:

Pollination; Scenarios and models

Task forces

- **The Capacity Building and Knowledge and Data task forces are co-chaired by two Bureau members and includes three MEP members, as well as nominated and selected experts**
- **The ILK task force is co-chaired by two MEP members and includes two Bureau members, as well as nominated and selected experts**
- **Where necessary to ensure the appropriate skills and/or regional/gender balance, additional MEP and Bureau members can be considered among the nominated experts for appointment as members of the task forces**
- **To ensure continuity, at least one Bureau and MEP member could remain on each task force even if they are no longer a MEP or Bureau member**

Scoping of assessments and preparation of guide

- **The groups for scoping of assessments and preparation of guides would be co-chaired as decided by MEP and include three MEP member and two Bureau members as well as nominated and selected experts**
- **Where necessary to ensure the appropriate skills and/or regional/gender balance, additional MEP and Bureau members can be considered among the nominated experts for appointment as experts of the groups**
- **To ensure continuity, a MEP or Bureau member could remain even if they are no longer a member of MEP or Bureau given these activities are time bound**

Assessments

- **Where necessary to ensure the appropriate skills and/or regional/gender balance, MEP members can be selected as co-chairs, convening lead authors (CLA), lead authors (LA) if viewed as appropriately qualified by MEP, even if not independently nominated**
- **To ensure continuity, MEP members chosen as a co-chair, CLA or LA would continue until the assessment is concluded even if they are no longer a MEP member**
- **The Bureau members assigned to an assessment are primarily responsible for broad guidance to ensure each assessment adheres to the approved scope, budget and IPBES policies and processes (e.g., peer-review)**

Assessments

- **A management team consisting of assigned members of the MEP and Bureau, the Assessment co-chairs and relevant representatives the secretariat and the TSU can be established**
- **To ensure continuity, at least one Bureau and MEP member could remain on the management team even if they are no longer a MEP or Bureau member**

Selection of Experts

- **Over 1,000 nominations**
- **Under 300 positions to be filled**
- **MEP and Bureau members reviewing (over 3 days in break out groups)**
- **Selections made on the basis of excellence and relevance to the specific deliverable**
- **Once selected on merit, further selection focused on disciplinary, regional, and gender diversity**
- **80/20 % rule applied**

Selection of Experts

- **Selected experts, reserve list**
- **Smaller group and larger group of experts (optimal group size?)**
- **List of possible resource persons (capacity building)**
- **Selection of potential co-chairs, CLAs, LAs and REs**
- **Imbalances and gaps filled by consulting with other break out groups or new candidates be sought for**

Role of Experts

- **Report co-chairs: overseeing the preparation of a deliverable, finalising list of CLAs**
- **Coordinating lead authors (CLA): coordinating major chapters, finalising list of LAs and REs**
- **Lead Authors (LA): producing designated chapters**
- **Review editors (RE): assist MEP in identifying reviewers (2/chapter), submitting report to MEP**
- **Management Committee (Bureau, MEP, Secretariat, Report co-chairs)**

Guide for Experts

- **Appointed in their personal capacity**
- **Expected to contribute substantively**
- **Expected to attend all scheduled meetings**
- **Estimated time commitment: 1-3 face-to-face meetings/year + additional time to work on documents**
- **Estimated duration of appointment: 1-5 years depending on deliverable**

- **20 experts out of 89 nominations**
- **Reserve list**
- **List of possible resource persons from key institutions (e.g. UNDP, MEAs)**

Valuation Methodologies (3d)

- **37 experts out of 225 nominations**
- **144 gov (110 m, 31 f) + 81 sh (56 m, 25 f)**
- **Reserve list**
- **Eastern Europe call for nomination again**

- **40 + 13 experts out of 106 nominations**
- **13 experts on reserve list**
- **20 core group of experts: attending face-to-face meetings, lead in preparing the guide and the catalogue**
- **20 + 13 involved as reviewers**

Pollination/Pollinators Assessment (3c)

- **75 authors + 12 review editors out of 121 nominations**
- **72 experts selected, incl. suggestions for co-chairs and CLAs**
- **Gender, geographical, disciplinary gaps identified**
- **Management Committee formed to finalise the list of CLAs**
- **Co-chairs and CLAs suggest a number of potential experts to balance identified gaps**
- **Chair of IPBES requests respective governments to endorse them**
- **Management Committee + CLAs make final selection decisions**

Thank You for Your attention!

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