

**Dialogue workshop to promote the use of IPBES
products in policymaking in Asia and the Pacific**
Online, 19 April 2022

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Provisional agenda

Connection details

1. The dialogue workshop will be held using the platform Zoom. Connection details are received by email when participants register.
2. To ensure the best possible delivery of the dialogue workshop, participants are encouraged to take the following into consideration:
 - Check your internet connection in advance of the meeting (try joining 15 minutes before the start). The internet connection tends to be stronger when using an ethernet cable or a dedicated Wi-Fi connection.
 - Use headsets with a microphone if possible.
 - Please check you have the latest version of zoom downloaded: *Version: 5.10.1* and check for any Zoom software updates. Further information can be found [here](#).

Objective of the meeting

3. The dialogue workshop contributes to objective 4(a) of the IPBES rolling work programme up to 2030, entitled: “advanced work on policy instruments, policy support tools and methodologies”.
4. Specifically, the dialogue workshop aims at achieving the following two objectives:
 - (i) Better understanding how IPBES products are being used to support policymaking. The dialogue workshop aims at allowing participants to share experiences in using IPBES products to advance biodiversity-related policies at the regional, national and subnational levels.
 - (ii) Identify ways in which IPBES products could be improved to better respond to the needs of actors at the science-policy interface. The dialogue workshop seeks support the facilitation of the use of IPBES products at the national and regional levels.

Tentative schedule

Time (CEST)	Session
09:15-09:30	Join meeting
09:30-09:35	Opening of the meeting – Technical support unit on policy support tools and methodologies
9:35 – 9:40	Welcome remarks from the task force <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Madhav Karki – Member of the task force on policy tools and methodologies, and member of the Multidisciplinary Expert Panel
09:40-9:55	Overview of IPBES and its work, with focus on completed assessments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Suneetha Subramanian - Coordinating lead author, Global Assessment Report on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services • Dr Ram Pandit - Coordinating lead author, Assessment Report on Land Degradation and Restoration
09:55-10:30	Examples of how IPBES products have been used in policymaking in Asia and the Pacific <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Liu Li, Associate professor, Nanjing Institute of Environmental Sciences, Ministry of Ecology and Environment of China • Mr Koji Miwa, Policy Researcher, Biodiversity and Forest Area, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES), Japan • Mr Rizwan Irshad, Deputy Director, Ministry of Climate Change, Islamabad Pakistan
10:30 – 11:30	Moderated discussion: <p>a) Identify further examples of how IPBES products have been used in policymaking</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have IPBES products been used in your country or at the regional level to support policymaking? If so, which ones and how? • At which levels (regional, national or subnational) are IPBES products being used the most? Why do you think that is the case? • What specific parts of the assessments have you used and why? (e.g., summaries for policymakers, chapters (any chapter in particular?)) • Have IPBES products been used only by environment agencies or also by governmental agencies in other development sectors? Which ones? • For what purpose have you used IPBES products? (e.g., to formulate policy and technical measures, elaborate technical reports, promote capacity-building and awareness raising) <p>b) Discuss challenges and opportunities for increasing the use of IPBES products (including complete, ongoing and future IPBES assessments in policymaking)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the key challenges that you face in using IPBES products for policymaking? • What are the key benefits that you have experienced of using IPBES products to support policy processes? <p>c) Identify how IPBES can help overcome some of the challenges mentioned and engage a wider range of national agencies in using those findings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What could be done to further promote and facilitate the use of IPBES products in supporting policymaking? • How can the challenges identified earlier be most effectively addressed, and by whom? • How can IPBES build on and further promote sharing of experiences of countries in using IPBES assessments most effectively?
11:30-11:45	Brief introduction to the work of the task force on capacity-building – Ingunn Storrø, head of IPBES technical support unit on capacity-building
11:45-12:00	Final wrap up and closing remarks

Key information resources

- [Global Assessment Report on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services \(full report\)](#)
- [Global Assessment Report on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services \(Summary for policymakers\)](#)
- [Regional Assessment Report on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services for Asia and the Pacific \(full report\)](#)
- [Regional Assessment Report on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services for Asia and the Pacific \(Summary for policymakers\)](#)
- [Assessment Report on Land Degradation and Restoration \(full report\)](#)
- [Assessment Report on Land Degradation and Restoration \(Summary for policymakers\)](#)
- [Assessment Report on Pollinators, Pollination and Food Production \(full report\)](#)
- [Assessment Report on Pollinators, Pollination and Food Production \(Summary for policymakers\)](#)
- [IPBES Regional Assessments \(video\)](#)
- [IPBES Regional Assessment of Asia-Pacific \(video\)](#)
- [IPBES Assessment of Land Degradation and Restoration \(video\)](#)
- [The Critical Importance of Pollinators \(video\)](#)