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Notification: Save the date: External review of the draft scoping reports for the IPBES nexus and transformative change assessments / online meeting

Dear IPBES members, observers and other interested stakeholders,

With reference to notification [EM/2020/4](#) (25 February 2020), I am pleased to announce that the draft scoping reports for the nexus assessment (thematic assessment of the interlinkages among biodiversity, water, food and health in the context of climate change) and for the transformative change assessment (thematic assessment of the underlying causes of biodiversity loss, determinants of transformative change and options for achieving the 2050 vision for biodiversity) will be open for external review as follows:

Nexus assessment	5 June 2020 – 31 July 2020 (8 weeks)
Transformative change assessment	3 July 2020 – 28 August 2020 (8 weeks)

The aim of this review is to increase the policy relevance of these future assessments by engaging Governments and stakeholders early in the process of defining the policy questions that these assessments will address. Information on how to register as a reviewer and access the documents will be shared in the beginning of the review periods.

In order to assist IPBES national focal points with the submission of their review comments, a virtual meeting for focal points will be held from 6 to 10 July 2020 in the context of the capacity-building work of IPBES. At that meeting, scoping experts will present the draft reports and participants will have the opportunity to interact with them. Information on how to submit comments will be discussed and shared among participants.

We would like to ask you to please reserve the date of 6 to 10 July 2020 in your calendars. Further information on registration for the meeting and the meeting agenda will be shared in due course.

I thank you in advance for your participation in the review and your continued support to IPBES.

Yours sincerely,

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