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Subject: Invitation to participate in survey on the use of IPBES assessments in policymaking at national and subnational levels

Dear IPBES members, observers and stakeholders,

I am pleased to inform you that IPBES is launching a survey to collect information on the use of completed IPBES assessments in policymaking at the national and subnational levels. This information will allow IPBES to understand if and how its assessments have been used by policymakers and what tools, methodologies and types of activities could further support the use of IPBES assessments and thereby contribute to the advancement of the IPBES policy support function.

IPBES aims to support policy formulation and implementation, which is reflected in the IPBES rolling work programme up to 2030. Objective 4a of the work programme includes a focus on enabling the uptake of the findings of IPBES assessments in decision-making.

Governments and non-governmental stakeholders including individuals, organizations, networks, researchers, and indigenous peoples and local communities are invited to take part in this survey and share information on how they have used completed IPBES assessments in their own work related to policymaking at the (sub)national level, by completing the questionnaire below.

You can access the survey following this link: <https://ipbes.net/survey/IPBES-assessments-in-policymaking> Completing the survey will take approximately 15-20 minutes. Please submit your responses by **14 January 2021**.

If you have any questions regarding this survey, or if you encounter technical difficulties in participating, please contact the IPBES technical support unit on policy support at ipbes.tsu.policysupport@unep-wcmc.org

I thank you in advance for your contributions and your continued support to IPBES.



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