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Notification: Save the date: Review of the second order draft of the chapters and the first order draft of the summary for policymakers of the values assessment

Dear IPBES members, observers and other interested stakeholders,

I am pleased to announce that the second order draft of the chapters and the first order draft of the summary for policymakers of the assessment on values will be open for external review as follows:

15 January to 19 March 2021 (the chapters may be available a few days before the summary for policymakers).

This second external review is addressed to Governments and interested and qualified experts, including scientists, decision makers, practitioners and other knowledge holders. To ensure the highest scientific quality and policy relevance of the assessment, the Multidisciplinary Expert Panel is seeking the widest-possible participation from experts from all relevant disciplines and backgrounds. To ensure consistency with and continuity from the first external review, those who participated in the first review are particularly invited to send comments.

Information on how to register as a reviewer and access the documents will be shared at the beginning of the review period.

Subject to approval by the Plenary at IPBES 8, it is also planned to pilot an additional review period for comments by Governments on the summary for policymakers of the values assessment in June/July 2021. The second external review of the sustainable use assessment is scheduled for 8 weeks between May and July 2021.

The Plenary will be invited to consider the summaries for policymakers of these assessments for approval and their chapters for acceptance at IPBES 9, currently tentatively planned for the beginning of 2022.

I thank you for your continued support to IPBES.



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