List of participants in the first and second sessions of the Plenary and admission of new observers to the third session

Note by the secretariat

1. At its second session, the Plenary of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services decided that it would resume consideration of the admission of observers at its third session (IPBES/2/17, para. 54). It also decided that the policy and procedures for the admission of observers to its second session (IPBES/1/12, para. 22) would be applied to determine the admission of observers to its third session, on the understanding that observers admitted to both its first and second sessions would be among those admitted to its third session. Annex I to the present note sets out the list of participants in the first and second sessions of the Plenary. Annex II contains a list of organizations recommended by the Bureau for admission as new observers at the third session of the Plenary, as well as a list of applications not approved, according to the procedure set out in paragraphs 10 to 13 of the draft policy and procedures for the admission of observers (IPBES/3/13). Annex III sets out the information provided by applicants in support of their application. The information is reproduced as received, without formal editing.

2. The Plenary may wish to request the Bureau to develop criteria for observer status at future sessions of the Plenary, to be submitted to the Plenary for consideration at its fourth session.
Annex I

Participants in the first and second sessions of the Plenary

Member States

Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Comoros, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d’Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, Ethiopia, Fiji, Finland, France, Gabon, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea-Bissau, Honduras, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Japan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Liberia, Libya, Lithuania, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Monaco, Morocco, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Russian Federation, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Observers

3. Observer States

Afghanistan, Cook Islands, Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, Djibouti, Dominica, European Union, Guinea, Jamaica, Kazakhstan, Lebanon, Mauritius, Mozambique, Myanmar (Burma), Nauru, Poland, Qatar, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Somalia, State of Palestine, Turkmenistan, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).

4. Conventions and Multilateral Environmental Agreements


5. United Nations bodies and specialized agencies


6. Intergovernmental organizations

ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity, European Union, Global Biodiversity Information Facility (GBIF), Global Environment Facility (GEF), Group on Earth Observations (GEO), Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPPC), International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD), International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), International Union of Forest Research Organisations (IUFRO), Scientific and Technical Advisory Panel (STAP/GEF), UNESCO Etxea.

7. Non-governmental organizations

Annex II

**List of organizations recommended by the Bureau for admission as new observers to the third session of the Plenary**

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Annex III

Information provided in support of applicants recommended by the Bureau as new observers at the third session of the Plenary

1) African Development Association

Scope of work: African Development Association (A.D.A), is a non-governmental organization accredited with United Nations with its overall objectives to improve the quality of life of the rural communities in Africa through capacity building and advocacy for environmental friendly and culturally oriented development policies. It focuses on women, youths, orphans and ethnic communities who are the most hit by poverty in Africa.

Mission: African Development Association’s general objective is alleviation for sustainable livelihood.

Objectives:
- Empower African youths through Agriculture, livestock and petit trading
- Environment protection and sustainable development of natural resources
- Mobilize sensitize and train people on self-reliance project and business

Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Cameroon

Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: The African Development Association was created in 2001, received its legal status in 2009 and was granted special consultative status with ECOSOC in 2012.

Website: http://africandevelopmentass.webstarts.com

2) ALTER-Net

Scope of work: ALTER-Net is a network of 27 partner institutes from 18 European countries. ALTER-Net integrates research capacities across Europe: assessing changes in biodiversity, analysing the effect of those changes on ecosystem services and informing policymakers and the public about this at a European scale. Originally funded by the European Union’s Framework VI program to stimulate a collaborative approach, ALTER-Net is now operating independently, contributing to the lasting integration of Europe’s research capacity on biodiversity.

Mission: ALTER-Net’s main mission is to develop lasting integration amongst its partner institutes, and others, all of whom are involved in biodiversity research, monitoring and/or communication.

Objectives:
- Identification of common research priorities and development of a common research programme
- Establishment of a vibrant interdisciplinary research community
- Communication and knowledge transfer at interfaces such as scientist-to-scientist, scientist-to-policymaker and with the general public
- Supporting the EU LifeWatch project (developing the infrastructure for sharing biodiversity data), of which ALTER-Net is a founder member
- Development of a common data sharing policy

Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: Belgium

Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: ALTER-Net started in 2004 as an EU Network of Excellence (Project no. GOCE-CT-2003-505298, Framework Programme 6). After the EU grant ceased in 2009 ALTER-net is supported financially by its members and helped develope several project consortia which secured European Union FP7 research funds.

Website: http://www.alter-net.info and www.inbo.be

3) Association “Fauna”

Scope of work:

Mission:

Objectives:

Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Ukraine

Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Association "Fauna" is a non-governmental environmental organization; it was registered on March 11, 2006. We have good experience in the nature protection as well as scientific investigations. The Association's organizational structure and the work and fundraising methods are based on those of similar Western organizations, adapted to conditions specific to Ukraine. Association “Fauna” activities
fall into three areas: research, nature protection, and education. Scientific researches deal with learning about protected species or areas, to understanding the threats to them, and to determining the best method of protection. Nature protection activity includes "passive" protection, such as the establishment of reserves, as well as active restoration of habitat and breeding/reintroduction of endangered species. Association is involved in educating people about the areas and species with goal to raise the level of ecological knowledge in society. We are very interested in participation in IPBES activity. Our long-year experience in the biodiversity investigation and conservation and evaluation of ecosystem services can bring essential inputs to the achievement of IPBES goals.

Website: http://www.ceeweb.org/members/full-members/ukraine/

4) Association Nodde Nooto
Scope of work: L’Association Nodde Nooto (A2N) est créée et reconnue par arrêté n° 660/MISPD/ACR/DGAPJ/DLP du 14/10/2013. Sa vision est de mobiliser, d’organiser et d’orienter le monde des peuples autochtones vers la conquête de leurs droits en un contexte institutionnel en perpétuel changement. Pour appuyer la politique nationale de développement et favoriser les moyens d’action permettant d’atteindre les objectifs suivants: Diffuser les méthodes et techniques de production qui favorisent la productivité des animaux et des espaces ; -Œuvrer pour la création de groupes de lobbying en faveur d’un monde où les peuples autochtones sont forts, dynamiques et respectés au même titre que les autres peuples ; L’échelon organisationnel de base de l’association au niveau du terroir, du village, du campement ou du quartier est le groupement dirigé par un bureau mis en place selon les principes de la démocratie et de la bonne gouvernance.A2N n’est affiliée à aucune organisation politique ou religieuse; elle est essentiellement une organisation des peuples autochtones.Les organes de A2N sont l’assemblée Générale, le bureau exécutif national et les commissaires aux comptes.

Mission: L’Association NODDE NOOTO a été créée pour se mettre à l’écoute, réfléchir et agir avec les communautés et les partenaires au développement.

Objectives:
- Favoriser l’autopromotion du monde paysan à travers l’éducation de base et d’alphabétisation Assurer un meilleur équilibre du patrimoine foncier et écologique
- La promotion et la valorisation de l’éducation de base, les savoirs faire et savoir être des communautés et ressources du sahel
- L’incitation à une meilleure exploitation et gestion concertée des ressources naturelles du Sahel ;
- La contribution et l’engagement pour le bien être économique, social et culturel durable des femmes et des hommes du Sahel ;
- La consolidation du partage, l’acceptation et l’intégration socio-culturelle et le dialogue intercommunautaire

Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Niger
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Depuis 2005, elle est reconnue comme Organisation Non Gouvernementale (ONG) sous le récépissé N° 2005 – 0093/ MEDEV/SG/DSONG du 10/02/2005
Website: http://www.noddenooto.org/

5) Australian National University
Scope of work: The Australian National University (ANU) is Australia’s leading university. It connects much of the best Australian thinking, expertise and learning. ANU takes this knowledge to the world and brings the world's best back home. It has won wide recognition as a place of intensive research and policy engagement. Research is central to everything ANU does, shaping education experience and contributions to national and international policy discussions. ANU has a memorandum of understanding with the Australian Government to foster better-informed policy processes. ANU is home to the Australian National Institute for Public Policy, a partnership with the Australian Public Service that is boosting the expertise of policy practitioners and connecting researchers with government departments.

Mission/objectives: The ANU works with partners in government, industry and not-for-profit organisations to apply research expertise to real-world problems and contribute to public national and international policy debates.

Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: Australia
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: The Australian National University was established by an Act of the Federal Parliament in 1946.
Website: http://www.anu.edu.au/
6) Bangalore University
Scope of work: Bangalore University is a public state university located in city of Bangalore in the state of Karnataka. The university is one of the oldest in India, dating back to 1886. Faculties and key research areas include: Civil engineering, geology, geography, mathematics, zoology, botany and microbiology. With the construction of a biopark students were given the chance to acquire experience in land management for social forestry, aqua culture and ornithology.
Mission: Bangalore University aims to promote excellence in education for a vibrant and inclusive society through knowledge creation and dissemination.
Objectives:
- Import quality education to meet national and global challenges
- Blend theoretical knowledge with practical skills
- Encourage the faculty to pursue academic excellence through high quality research and publication
- Provide access to all sections of society to pursue higher education
- Promote the use of new technologies in teaching and research
- Hasten the process of creating a knowledge society

Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: India
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Bangalore University was established in 1964.
Website: https://www.karnataka.gov.in/BangaloreUniversity/Pages/Home.aspx

7) Bangladesh Unnayan Parishad
Scope of work: The Bangladesh Unnayan Parishad (BUP) is a non-profit organization devoted to the promotion of basic as well as action research on socioeconomic development and environment. In the field of independent development research and dialogue activities, the BUP has played the pioneering role in Bangladesh. It has conducted many seminal research works on key national development issues and played a key role in popularizing roundtable discussions and dialogues on important issues of policy relevance. The BUP's research areas include a wide range of issues relating to sustainable development, covering social, economic, environmental and cultural aspects of development efforts. It has also earned wide recognition for its planning forum which organizes policy debates on not only national issues but also regional and international issues. The BUP is governed by its own constitution and managed by an Executive Board with the Chairman of the Board as its Chief Executive.
Mission: The mission of BUP is to foster a people-centred culture of development. It seeks to generate ideas and policy directions through research and dialogue on a continuing basis and envisages a sustainable and equitable global order as the collective broader goal of humanity.
Objectives:
- Generate ideas and policy directions through research and dialogue on a continuing basis
- Achieve a sustainable and equitable global order as the collective broader goal of humanity

Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: Bangladesh
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: The Bangladesh Unnayan Parishad was established in 1980 and is registered with the Government of Bangladesh under the Societies Act 1860.
Website: http://www.bup-bd.org/

8) Benin Environment and Education Society
Scope of work: BEES aims at mobilizing local resources by disseminating the environmental threat messages such as increased salinity, marine pollution, river silt, sea level rise, biodiversity depletion in Benin wetland mangrove forests, etc. among the local communities in order to develop environmental ethics, skills, attitudes and commitment towards environmental conservation and sustainability. The main objective is to initiate, identify and tackle the environmental problems in order to promote actions for environmental protection strategies; promote laws and management practices for sustainable use of nation resources empowering indigenous knowledge, local initiatives and grass-roots participation. We are currently implementing responsible ecotourism in the Nokoue Lake, to help reduce deforestation and to protect almost five endangered bird's species habitat, and at the same time, protect the African manatee Trichechus senegalensis (IUCN Vulnerable), listed in CITES Appendix II, and the Sitatunga antelope Tragelaphus spekei gratus a highly endangered tropical wetland antelope threatened by habitat loss in oueme valley (IUCN/SSC Antelope Specialist Group, 2008).
Mission/objectives:
Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Benin
9) Biodiversity Action Journalists Gambia

**Scope of work:** Biodiversity Action Journalists of The Gambia (BAJ-Gambia) is a professional journalists’ organisation in environmental and natural resources advocacy. It was established in December, 2010, with the technical support of the department of Parks and Wildlife Management, ministry of Forestry and Environment, The Gambia. BAJ-Gambia is a charity registered with the Attorney General’s chambers, ministry of Justice, The Gambia on the 21st March, 2012. It has a membership of seventy (70) practicing journalists, from print, electronic and online media in the country. BAJ-Gambia came about after a study tour to Senegal, through a project called Niumi-Saloum Trans-boundary Biosphere project. Jointly implemented by Senegal and The Gambia, the project is supported by the IUCN and UNESCO, under the Man and Biosphere (MAB). BAJ-Gambia aims to raise public awareness on biodiversity in a bid to promote community participation in the preservation and management of the country’s biological and natural resources for sustainable exploitation and benefit sharing.

**Mission:** The BAJ-Gambia seeks to encourage community engagement in promoting conservation techniques as a tool to enhance food security and to advocate for sustainable use of biological and natural resources to ensure availability for present and future generations.

**Objectives:**
- Support global thematic campaigns on the environment organize by partners and international bodies.
- Develop a strong network of partners and youth organizations for transfer of knowledge and information to act collectively on environmental issues
- Inform forest users, local farmers and BAJ members on environmental policies and tools on national, regional and international treaties

**Type of NGO:** NGO

**Location:** The Gambia

**Website:** www.bajgambia.org

10) Center for Development Research (ZEF)

**Scope of work:**
ZEF is a research institute dedicated to development research and capacity building in the Global South. The institute holds three departments, each chaired by a director. The three departments cover the topics economy and policy sciences, social sciences and ecology and natural resource management and our cooperation structure is highly interdisciplinary. By already conducting a larger number of studies related to ecosystem services and biodiversity especially in developing countries, by the large alumni network of ZEF and by providing already a largely interdisciplinary research and transfer structure, we see high synergy effects between outcomes and structures we could feed into IPBES, and especially IPBES’ demands to be provided with existing results, products, networks and tools to facilitate the assessments.

**Mission:**

**Objectives:** ZEF’s researchers aim to find science-based solutions to development-related issues.

**Type of NGO:** Education/Research

**Location:** Germany

**Website:** www.zef.de
11) Centre for Environmental Management, University of Nottingham

Scope of work: CEM (Centre for Environmental Management) is a research centre within the University of Nottingham. CEM was established in 2002 to work on sustainable landscape/countryside issues. The Director and Deputy Director with their team are working on ecosystem services since 2004. They are leading experts in the field for the UK Government and within the international research arena. They are currently co-editing the “Handbook of Ecosystem Services” which will be published by Earthscan/Routledge in Spring 2015. They have advised UK Government on the NEA through their MEA-style scoping study. CEM has no official mandate to represent the university of Nottingham nor any UK Governmental organisation but would bring a long standing experience into the IPBES debate.

Mission/objectives: The Centre for Environmental Management (CEM) undertakes research and training at the interface of people and our environment.

Objectives:
- Identify choices we face in developing and implementing strategies for a sustainable future
- Explore issues of sustainable landscape development and the management of ecosystem services
- Seek and combine an understanding of biophysical processes and socio-cultural context to examine the options and constraints for policy development and spatial and environmental planning

Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: United Kingdom
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: CEM was established in 2002.
Website: http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/cem/

12) Centre for Natural Resources and Environmental Studies (CRES)

Scope of work: The Centre focuses its research on biodiversity conservation, environmental protection, sustainable development and related issues. At present, the Centre is carrying out the following research projects: Environmental protection and natural disaster prevention; Socio-economic and environmental issues in the eco-regions; Application of human-ecology principles to agro-ecosystem research and ecologically sustainable rural development; Mangrove ecology, conservation and reforestation techniques, and sustainable development of coastal zones; Community-based biodiversity conservation and sustainable utilization of natural resources; Application of ecosystem approaches to natural resources conservation, management and sustainable development; Biodiversity action plan at provincial levels; Strengthening management and conservation of protected areas; Wetland conservation and restoration; Advancing conservation in a social context: Working in a World of Trade-offs.

Mission: To conduct multi- and inter-disciplinary research on biodiversity and environmental issues for decision making and sustainable development;

To promote human resources development through formal education, training courses, workshops and seminars for professionals

Objectives:

Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: Vietnam
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: CRES is a focal point in providing leadership in the implementation of critical and strategic activities on biodiversity conservation, sustainable utilization of natural resources and environmental protection. CRES involves in the research and analysis of the payment for ecosystem services in Vietnam and focus on the monitoring and evaluation mechanism and seeing the impact of the scheme to biodiversity governance and local community.

The Centre for Natural Resources and Environmental Studies (CRES) was established in 1995 on the basis of reorganizing the Centre for Natural Resources and Environmental Studies (1985) under the former University of Hanoi and the Mangrove Ecosystem Research Centre (1987) of Hanoi University of Education.

Website: www.cres.edu.vn

13) Consortium of European Taxonomic Facilities (CETAF AISBL)

Scope of work: CETAF is a networked consortium of scientific institutions in Europe formed to promote research and understanding of taxonomy and systematics. Together, CETAF institutions hold substantial biological (zoological and botanical), palaeobiological, and geological collections and provide the resources for the work of thousands of researchers in a variety of scientific disciplines. The history of CETAF dates back to 1996. Since 2009, CETAF has become an international non-profit-making association. Currently, CETAF has 32 members representing 56 Institutions, the major European natural history museums, botanic gardens and taxonomic research facilities. CETAF AISBL is governed by the General Assembly representing all members, together with the Executive Committee and a General Secretariat that gives support for the daily work. CETAF focuses on international projects for the innovative transfer of knowledge and expertise among its members while collaborating with other academic and scientific
institutions, with the aim of creating an integrated infrastructure for the scientific community in terms of access, networking and joint research activities (SYNTHSEIS, EDIT, VIBRANT, EUBON, others)

**Mission:** We aim to promote training, research and understanding in systematic biology and palaeobiology, and facilitate access to information (collections) and the expertise of its member institutions across Europe.

**Objectives:**
- promote scientific research and access to European collections
- enable the formation of partnerships to exploit European funding opportunities
- to be a voice for taxonomy and systematic biology in Europe

**Type of NGO:** Education/Research

**Location:** Belgium

**Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:**

Website: www.cetaf.org

14) **Chinese Academy of Sciences**

**Scope of work:** The institute offers Ph.D and M.Sc. programs in the fields of physical geography, human geography, cartography and GIS, natural resources, ecology, agro-forestry economic management, and environmental science. In addition, it offers M.Sc. programs in the fields of rural and regional development, meteorology, agricultural informatics, and environmental engineering. It also offers postdoctoral positions in geography and biology.

**Mission:**

**Objectives:**

**Type of NGO:** Education/Research

**Location:** People's Republic of China

**Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:** The Institute of Geographic Sciences and Natural Resources Research (IGSNRR) was established in 1999 through the merger of the former Institute of Geography (IOG), founded in 1940, and the former Commission for the Integrated Survey of Natural Resources (CISNAR), founded in 1956. In the past half century, IGSNRR and its predecessors have led the way in geographical research in China, making major research contributions in the rational use of natural resources; ecological and environmental protection; comprehensive land consolidation; sustainable regional development; and resource and environmental information systems.

**Website:** http://english.igsnrr.cas.cn

15) **Climate Reality Project, Climate Reality Leadership Corps**

**Scope of work:** The Climate Reality Leadership Corps (CRLC) is a global network of activists committed to taking on the climate crisis. CRLC train leaders in climate science plus extending them in popular form to communities for future informed-decision making, for example through local campaigns to international summits and hopefully leads to solutions. Already, 25 trainings were held since 2007. CRLC operates through its US offices and nine international branches in Australia, Canada, India, Indonesia, Mexico, South Africa, Spain, Turkey and the UK. CRLC is a subset organization of Al Gore’s Climate Reality Project which plays the role of performing acts of leadership such as presentation of Al Gore’s An Inconvenient Truth to communities, writing articles in publications to spread the science behind climate crisis, creating and sharing blogs, giving press interviews, communicating with government officials and involvement in organising communities to participate in the solution to the climate crisis.

**Mission:** The CRLC works in more than 100 countries to educate and empower their communities to take action on climate change.

**Objectives:**

- Prepare reality leaders to communicate and conduct effective advocacy events within their local communities
- Build awareness and help organize discussions on ways to address climate change at the grassroots level

**Type of NGO:** NGO

**Location:** Philippines

**Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:** The Climate Reality Project was established in July 2011 after the joining of two environmental groups, The Alliance for Climate Protection and The Climate Project, which were both founded in 2006 by Al Gore.

**Website:** http://climaterealityproject.org/leadership-corps
16) Department of Sustainable Development of Sepasad Group
Scope of work: The Sepasad Group was founded in 1371 (1992) to present its devoted services to I.R. Iran with a great faith in the country's values and beliefs, in order to contribute to Iran's sustainable development and affluence for the present and future generations.
Mission/objectives:
Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Iran
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: 1992
Website: http://www.sepasad.ir/en/

17) DesertNet International
Scope of work: DNI is an interdisciplinary scientific network for research on desertification, created to provide a platform for scientific discussions and knowledge exchange, and as a think tank to strengthen the science-policy interface. It is an inclusive network and membership is open to scientists and students from all countries. As of 12/09/2014, DNI counts 312 members from 51 states. Organs of the Association are: the General Assembly; the Steering Committee (SC), in charge of administering the Association; the Advisory Board (AB), that supports the SC on programmatic work; the Bureau that takes care of the daily running of the Association; and the Users Board consisting of representatives of organizations that want to use DNI's services or cooperate with it. DNI has no government affiliations, and is thus autonomous and independent.
Mission: The aims of Desertnet International (DNI) are to encourage research and promote concerted efforts in and across all disciplines concerning human and biophysical issues of dryland development and degradation.
Objectives:
- Provide a platform for scientific discussions and exchange of ideas, foster cutting edge science, identify topics and research areas,
- Identify and document scientific state of the art of the main topics in desertification assessment, risk evaluation, mitigation and restoration,
- Identify and articulate the economic drivers and the socio-economic consequences of desertification,
- Integrate scientific findings across disciplines, translate into common language and communicate scientific findings, and
- Work in and on affected areas worldwide.
Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Italy
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: DNI is an Association officially registered in Strasbourg, accredited to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) since 2011.
Website: http://www.desertnet-international.org/

18) Earthindicators
Scope of work: Earthindicators is developing technology for ecosystem services management and monitoring. It aims to provide governments with assessment and decision-support tools that effectively communicate natural capital changes, in values that are integrable into their policy analysis and decision-making. Key research areas include: Agriculture & food security, ecosystems & natural resources, climate change & disaster resilience, bioenergy, biodiversity and green economy.
Mission: Earthindicators aims to be a technological partner of research institutions to create value through innovation and improve market-oriented research projects, on the development of sustainable products and solutions that can be applied.
Objectives:
- Promote innovation and strengthen links and synergies between agriculture and food production, improving productivity, soil quality and environmental management, towards a Bioeconomy
- Development of tools for biodiversity monitoring and evaluation, contributing for a more efficient restoration and conservation
- Combining the climate action, sustainable development and natural ecosystems, for higher resilience against natural disasters
Type of NGO: Business/Industry
Location: Portugal
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Earthindicators was founded in 2013.
Website: www.earthindicators.com
19) Finnish environment institute

**Scope of work:** Finnish Environment Institute is a research institute and a centre of expertise providing knowledge and solutions enabling sustainable development.

**Mission:**

**Objectives:**

**Type of NGO:** Education/Research

**Location:** Finland

**Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:** Finnish environment institute is carrying out research and bringing solutions on sustainable development. One of our key foci is ecosystem services and biodiversity. Our institute is directly facilitating the MoE on IPBES matters.

**Website:** www.syke.fi

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20) ForestAction Nepal

**Scope of work:** Established in 2000, Forest Resource Studies and Action Team (ForestAction) Nepal is a learning oriented, not-for-profit and politically non-aligned, self-governed, professional civil society organization. It focuses on research and policy dialogue for productive, equitable and sustainable forest and natural resource management. It blends professional knowledge with citizen power to build pressure for change. Since establishment, it has been working as a key player in forestry and natural resource management sector in Nepal through its dedicated and multidisciplinary team of professionals who combine their knowledge of natural and social science together in critical action research and policy dialogue. Their main areas of expertise are in: policy process, decentralization, community and local governance, social learning, institutional processes, gender and social inclusion, livelihood promotion, innovation system, critical analysis, knowledge management and publication.

**Mission:** Policy, institutional and technical innovations to promote equitable, effective and sustainable management of natural resources

**Objectives:**

- To influence public policy process and empower forest and natural resource dependent communities in taking control and playing active role in forest and natural resources management

**Type of NGO:** NGO

**Location:** Nepal

**Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:** 2000

**Website:** www.forestaction.org

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21) Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)

**Scope of work:** FSC is a global, not-for-profit organization dedicated to the promotion of responsible forest management worldwide.

**Mission:** FSC's mission is promote environmentally appropriate, socially beneficial, and economically viable management of the world's forests.

**Objectives:**

**Type of NGO:** NGO

**Location:** Germany

**Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:**

We enable businesses and consumers to make informed choices about the forest products they buy, and create positive change by engaging the power of market dynamics.

FSC is a membership-based organization comprised of three chambers (economic, social, and environmental) divided into sub-chambers based on north/south representation. The membership is the ultimate decision-making authority. Membership also elects a 12-person board of directors. FSC’s statutes and forest management standards require the maintenance of ecosystem services. Third party auditors have certified over 180,000,000 hectares of forests worldwide to FSC’s standards. We are currently designing a module for the explicit certification of ecosystem services

**Website:** https://ic.fsc.org/
22) Fund for Sustainable Development (FSD)

Scope of work: The Fund for Sustainable Development is an independent, non-governmental and non-profit Russian fund and was founded in 1996. Since then the FSD has implemented more than 650 projects all over Russia related to biodiversity and ecosystem services protection under all Russian ecological programs: ROLL, ROLL-2000, CDSP etc. National network of partner regional centers was formed in the cities of Yekaterinburg, Ulan-Ude, Novokuznetsk, Nizhny Novgorod and Khabarovsky. The Fund for Sustainable Development and the network it has created are an effective mechanism for disseminating successful experience in sustainable municipal development in Russia.

Mission: The FSD promotes regional and community sustainable development through concrete projects addressing environmental, social and economic issues in communities across the Russian Federation.

Objectives:
- Grantmaking, including the development and support of activities and training in the sphere of regional sustainable development, conservation, environmental education and citizen participation in local self-government processes;
- Collection and dissemination of information on best practices of projects aimed at sustainable regional and community development and promotion of environmental health and biodiversity preservation;
- Educational, consultative and communications activities and technical support on issues related to municipal governance and sustainable community development.

Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: Russia
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: 1996
Website: http://www.fund-sd.ru

23) Future Earth

Scope of work: Future Earth is an interdisciplinary global research organisation for earth system science and sustainability science and a platform for international engagement to ensure that knowledge is generated in partnership with society and users of science. It is open to scientists of all disciplines, natural and social, as well as engineering, the humanities and law.

Mission: Future Earth aims to be an international hub to coordinate new, interdisciplinary approaches to research on three themes: Dynamic Planet, Global Development and Transformations towards Sustainability.

Objectives:
- Promote interdisciplinary research and facilitating partnerships between the scientific community, political bodies, business sector and civil society
- Provide the knowledge required for societies in the world to face risks posed by global environmental change
- Seize opportunities in a transition to global sustainability

Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: Sweden
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Future Earth was launched in June 2012 at the UN Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20) and is funded by the Science and Technology Alliance for Global Sustainability comprising International Council for Science (ICSU), the International Social Science Council (ISSC), the Belmont Forum of funding agencies, the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the United Nations University (UNU), and the World Meteorological Organization as an observer.
Website: http://www.futureearth.info

24) Georg-August-Universität Göttingen

Scope of work: Founded in 1737, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen is a research university of international renown with strong focuses in research-led teaching. The University is distinguished by the rich diversity of its subject spectrum particularly in the humanities, its excellent facilities for the pursuit of scientific research, and the outstanding quality of the areas that define its profile. From 2007 to 2012 Georg-August-Universität Göttingen was rewarded funding from the Initiative of Excellence of the German Federal and State Governments with its institutional strategy for the future entitled "Göttingen:Tradition – Innovation – Autonomy". The University was able to realise all measures of the concept. Now Göttingen University will develop the successfully established measures further to continuously advance the University’s positive developments in research and teaching. The University of Göttingen has a long history of research on biodiversity and biodiversity governance. As member of the phd programme "Biodiversity and Society", science policy interfaces are a frequently tackled issue in our research agendas.

Mission/objectives: Within in the PhD programme "Biodiversity and Society" young scientists shall develop and evaluate tools for the protection and sustainable utilisation of biodiversity and thereby respond to the needs of
capacity building and knowledge generation articulated through the Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services.

**Type of NGO:** Education/Research  
**Location:** Germany  
**Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:** The Georg-August-Universität was established in 1737 and is the oldest university in the state of Lower Saxony.  
**Website:** www.uni-goettingen.de

### 25) German Network-Forum for Biodiversity Research (NeFo)

**Scope of work:** The German Network-Forum for Biodiversity Research (NeFo) is the national focal point for scientist, policy-makers and other stakeholders working in the field of biodiversity research and policies. NeFo was set up to improve the information and knowledge exchange both between and within these different stakeholder groups (e.g. between different research disciplines).

**Mission:** NeFo aims at facilitating the involvement of the German biodiversity community in this IPBES process.

**Objectives:**
- To increase the awareness of the value of biodiversity among policy makers and the society
- Analyse the drivers of biodiversity change in order to identify solutions for its conservation

**Type of NGO:** Education/Research  
**Location:** Germany  
**Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:** NeFo is part of the DIVERSITAS international research programme.  
**Website:** www.biodiversity.de

### 26) GLOBAL 2000 / Friends of the Earth Austria

**Scope of work:** Global 2000 is an independent non-governmental organization based out in Austria. It is the largest and one of the most well-known Austrian environmental protection organisation. It uncovers environmental scandals and the role Austria plays increasing international environmental problems, but also offers ecological approaches as solutions. Global 2000 is part of the Friends of the Earth network which is the largest grassroots environmental network in Europe, uniting more than 30 national organisations with thousands of local groups.

**Mission:** To campaign on today's most urgent environmental and social issues and challenge the current model of economic and corporate globalization, and promote solutions that will help to create environmentally sustainable and socially just societies.

**Objectives:**
- To promote environmentally sustainable societies on the local, national, regional and global levels
- To increase public participation and democratic decision-making since greater democracy is both an end in itself and is vital to the protection of the environment and the sound management of natural resources
- To work towards environmental, social, economic and political justice and equal access to resources and opportunities on the local, national, regional and international levels

**Type of NGO:** NGO  
**Location:** Austria  
**Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:** Global 2000 was founded in 1982.  
**Website:** www.global2000.at

### 27) Global Change Ecology

**Scope of work:** The program is devoted to understanding and analyzing the most important and consequential environmental concern of the 21st century; namely, Global Change. Problems of an entirely new and interdisciplinary nature require the establishment of innovative approaches in research and education. A special program focus is the linking of natural science perspectives on global change with approaches in social science disciplines. The study program combines expertise of the Universities of Bayreuth, Augsburg and Würzburg, with that of Bavarian research institutions, and economic, administrative and international organisations. The program is unique in Germany from the standpoint of content and at the forefront with respect to international efforts. The program has to date hosted two student-organised workshops on IPBES (2011 & 2012) and are collaborating with student groups to host a United Nations themed lecture series, including various environmental lectures.

**Mission:**

**Objectives:** The goal is training of highly qualified leaders for tasks and problem solving in science, environmental protection, and with respect to political or economic decision making.

**Type of NGO:** Education/Research
28) Global Conservation Standard (GCS)

**Scope of work:** The Global Conservation Standard is designed to make conservation pay for landowners and the local populations, based on the volume of measurable ecosystem benefits. GCS makes conservation attractive to the private sector. Conservation Credit Units demonstrate measurable corporate social responsibility to the buyer. Sales benefits go directly into a locally governed funding mechanism for sustainable economic development in the commercial buffer zones. To provide the highest level of environmental stewardship through conservation, social responsibility, sustainable use, education, honesty and sobriety. Goals of the GCS Building a bridge between long-term finance, sustainable development and conservation security Attracting international finance to holistic land-use management To complement existing climate change mitigation measures Providing pragmatic financing for reforestation, agroforestry and forestry applications; Increasing the capacity of rural and poor communities livelihoods

**Mission:** To provide the highest level of environmental stewardship through conservation, social responsibility, sustainable use, education, honesty and sobriety.

**Objectives:**
- Building a bridge between long-term finance, sustainable development and conservation security
- Attracting international finance to holistic land-use management
- To complement existing climate change mitigation measures
- Providing pragmatic financing for reforestation, agroforestry and forestry applications;
- Increasing the capacity of rural and poor communities livelihoods

29) Global Forest Coalition

**Scope of work:** The Global Forest Coalition is an international coalition of 65 Indigenous Peoples’ Organizations (IPOs) and NGOs from 45 different countries. Approximately 85% of the members is based in non-OECD countries. The coalition has 7 regional NGO focal points in Oceania, South and South East Asia, North Asia and Eastern Europe, Africa, Latin America, North America and Europe, and 3 specific Indigenous focal points in Africa, Asia and Latin America. Together these focal points form the coordination group, which oversees the daily activities of the Coalition. The International secretariat of the coalition is based in Paraguay. The main strategy of GFC is to.

**Mission:** The mission of the Global Forest Coalition is to reduce poverty amongst, and avoid impoverishment of, Indigenous Peoples and other forest-dependent peoples by advocating the rights of these peoples as a basis for forest policy and addressing the direct and underlying causes of deforestation and forest degradation.

**Objectives:**
- To build the capacity of Southern NGOs and Indigenous Peoples’ Organizations to advocate for socially just, rights-based forest conservation policies that will have a long-lasting positive effect on forest conservation
- To raise public awareness on the importance of addressing the underlying causes of deforestation and forest degradation
- To build capacity amongst all relevant actors in analyzing and addressing the underlying causes of deforestation and forest degradation
- To develop and implement, in an open and participatory manner, solution-oriented approaches towards addressing the underlying causes of deforestation and forest degradation.
30) Global South Initiative

Scope of work: Global South Initiative (GSI) is dedicated to make a difference in Global South. GSI primarily works for Poverty Reduction, Climate Change & Sustainable Development, Education, Social Entrepreneurship, Development Effectiveness and HIV/AIDS.

Mission: GSI's mission is to improve the lives of people in the developing countries for a just, peaceful and sustainable world by addressing the issues of poverty, inequality and injustice.

Objectives:
- To bring positive change in the lives of people living in the third world countries by bridging the widening gaps
- To facilitate civic participation in global decision-making
- To encourage north–south, south–south, multilateral collaboration and dialogue at all levels
- To develop and promote innovative ideas, campaigns and life changing experiences to widen people's potential
- To inform, empower and encourage people to take responsibility and become involved, concerned and organized citizen
- To provide a platform to New Generation Leaders for discourse and innovation
- To generate publications based on research, innovation and experience

Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Nepal
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: It was established in January 2010, registered at the District Administration Office, Kathmandu and has affiliation with Social Welfare Council, Nepal and other several national and international civil society networks as well as UN entities.
Website: http://www.gsi.org.np

31) Global Youth Biodiversity Network (GYBN)

Scope of work: The Global Youth Biodiversity Network (GYBN) is an international network of youth organizations and individuals from all over the world whose common goal is to prevent the loss of biodiversity. As the official major group for youth in the negotiations under the CBD, GYBN is committed to bringing the opinions and positions of young people into the political process; empowering young people to take action. Recognized and supported by the CBD Secretariat, GYBN seeks to inspire global youth and future leaders to work for the sustainable use and conservation of biodiversity for a healthy environment and society. Since the CBD and IPBES have very similar objectives we hope to encourage more young people and young scientists to engage with the platform.

Mission: GYBN aims to represent the voice of global youth in the negotiations under the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD). As the official major group for youth in the negotiations under the CBD, GYBN is committed to bringing the opinions and positions of young people into the political process; empowering young people to take action.

Objectives:
- To connect individuals and youth organizations in order to build a global coalition to halt the loss of biodiversity
- To raise awareness among young people of the values of biodiversity

Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Germany, France
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: The GYBN was officially established in 2012.
Website: gybn.org

32) Graduate School of Sciences, Kyushu University

Scope of work: Starting from such simple questions that humans have been asking since the dawn of civilization, the Graduate School of Sciences challenges to unveil various enigmas of nature from both perspectives of experimental research and theoretical speculation, and to contribute to establishing a culture of natural science in our country and throughout the world. Graduate School of Sciences strives towards this challenge with hope that it will bring about the development of flexible ideas, both a new and wide range of scientific applications to society, and build a shared intellectual heritage for all humans.

Mission/objectives: To offer advanced professional education of sciences with the aim of cultivating young researchers who will lead the cutting edge research of sciences into the next generation, and professionals who will contribute to society in their relevant field of natural science without being limited by existing concepts but with unrestricted ideas, thoughts, and contemplation as well as creative, experimental and theoretical methodologies.
33) **Group on Earth Observations Biodiversity Observation Network (GEO BON)**

**Scope of work:** The Group on Earth Observations Biodiversity Observation Network – “GEO BON” serves as the biodiversity arm of the Global Earth Observation System of Systems (GEOSS). GEO BON helps to monitor and assess the world’s genetic resources, species and ecosystems in order to prevent their further loss. GEO BON promotes synergies, collaboration and data sharing amongst the biodiversity observation community, researchers and the users of biodiversity information. In this way, GEO BON strengthens the capacity of initiatives to monitor and analyze biodiversity and the ability of decision makers to manage biological resources. GEO BON products are addressed to help to achieve IPBES goals and IPBES is already now one of the major stakeholders and users of these products.

**Mission:** GEO BON’s mission is to provide a global, scientifically robust framework for observations on the detection of biodiversity change.

**Objectives:**
- Coordinate data gathering and the delivery of information on biodiversity change
- Ensure long term continuity of data supply
- Provide a set of innovative and relevant products (e.g. Essential Biodiversity Variables, BON in a Box) based on the integration of key data sets

34) **IAV Hassan II**

**Scope of work:** IAV Hassan II provides three built, namely basic tasks: Training, research and development.

**Mission/objectives:**

35) **Institute for Culture and Ecology (ICE)**

**Scope of work:** ICE is committed to buttressing traditional knowledge in community-based environmental and resource management initiatives and facilitating culture-based learning that would lead to social and ecological well-being of the earth community. ICE is well linked with like-minded organizations in Kenya, Africa and beyond who are pioneering innovative culture-based strategies and policy advocacy for recuperation, recognition and promotion of indigenous knowledge and practices relevant to environmental rehabilitation and management.

**Mission:** To promote indigenous knowledge for environmental conservation and to enhance the livelihoods of local communities towards sustainable development.

**Objectives:**
- Strengthening conservation of bio-cultural diversity and food security initiatives
- Promoting community reconstruction through alternative knowledge transfer
- Supporting research and advocacy initiatives
- Promoting community level climate change adaptation
each year. ICE's work is very relevant to IPBES, as we promote indigenous and practitioners as knowledge systems for the 21st century alongside conventional/scientific knowledge. We are also involved in community-based ecosystems assessments through eco-cultural mapping processes.

Website: www.icekenya.org

36) Institute of Soil and Water Conservation (ISWC), CAS and MWR, Northwest A&F University

Scope of work: ISWC, based primarily in the Loess Plateau but having a national sphere of influence, principally studies and resolves the important science and technological issues of ecological restoration and environmental improvement in the field of soil and water loss. The institute has a long term research experience in soil erosion and its control, land use management, river basin management, agriculture in semiarid and arid, rural development and policy-making. There are several field stations in soil and water conservation, ecological restoration, monitoring and demonstration. At present, ISWC has organized a comprehensive research and extension framework which focuses on the primary task of soil and water conservation science and that is supported by scientific disciplines related to soil science, ecology and agricultural engineering.

Mission: It aspires to lead the development of Chinese soil and water conservation science and technology. ISWC will strive to have an excellent international reputation among similar research institutions and to become one of worldwide well-known institute in the field of soil and water conservation.

Objectives: To provide scientific support for major strategic planning and decision making on soil and water conservation issues in China

Type of NGO: Education/Research

Location: China

Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: The institute of soil and water conservation (ISWC), Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) & Ministry of Water Resources (MWR), was founded in 1956 and was the first scientific research institution established in the Northwest of China by CAS. It came under the direction of CAS and MWR both from 1987. In 1998, ISWC became part of the “Pilot Project of the Knowledge Innovation Program (PPKIP)” in the first group of CAS Institutes. In 1999, ISWC participated in establishing the Northwest A&F University, in accordance with the direction of the State Council. In 2001, ISWC came under the direction of both CAS and the Ministry of Education as the Research Center of Soil & Water Conservation and Ecological Environment. During these years, it has been continually funded by the National Knowledge Innovation Project of CAS and is still managed by CAS as one of its institutes.

Website: http://english.iswc.cas.cn/

37) International Forestry Students' Association

Scope of work:

Mission: Our mission is to provide a platform for students of forest sciences to enrich their formal education, promote cultural understanding by encouraging collaboration with international partner organizations and facilitating students in gaining practical experience.

Objectives:

Type of NGO: NGO

Location: Germany

Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: The International Forestry Students' Association is a non political, non religious and not for profit organization that brings together forestry students from all over the world in a wide spectrum of activities and topics. Our vision is to enhance global cooperation between forest science students with the aim of increasing knowledge and comprehension of forestry on a global perspective for international processes related to forest topics in order to achieve a sustainable future. IFSA also serves to represent youth in international forestry policy processes. As forest play a major role in biodiversity and ecosystem service issues we think it is important for our members to be able to join the IPBES.

Website: http://www.ifsa.net/
38) Japan Agency for Marine-Earth Science and Technology (JAMSTEC)

Scope of work: On April 1, 2004, Japan Agency for Marine-Earth Science and Technology (JAMSTEC) was inaugurated as one of the independent administrative institutions upon re-organized from its former organization, Japan Marine Science and Technology Center.

Mission: An Integrated Understanding of the Ocean, Earth, and Life

Objectives: JAMSTEC has the main objective to contribute to the advancement of academic research in addition to the improvement of marine science and technology by proceeding the fundamental research and development on marine, and the cooperative activities on the academic research related to the Ocean for the benefit of the peace and human welfare.

Type of NGO: Education/Research

Location: Japan

Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Established on April 1, 2004

Website: http://www.jamstec.go.jp/e/about/

39) Kanazawa

Scope of work: Kanazawa University, inheriting the tradition of its predecessor school, was established in 1949. The university contributes to society by opening up new academic fields and by promoting the transfer of technology and the creation of new industry.

Mission/objectives: Kanazawa University has the goal of becoming “a research university dedicated to education, while opening up its doors to both local and global society.” With this objective the university will work on reform, in the belief that its activities will contribute to 1) the opening up of a new 21st century era, and 2) the promotion of world peace and the sustainable development of humankind. Kanazawa University shall hereby establish its charter based on the above ideology and objectives.

Type of NGO: Education/Research

Location: Japan

Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Kanazawa University was established in 1949.

Website: http://www.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/e/

40) Kasisi Agric Training Centre

Scope of work: Kasisi agricultural training centre (KATC) is a faith based nonprofit making agricultural training institute owned by Society of Jesus (JESUITS). The institution promotes social, economical and environmentally friendly technologies . KATC Approaches Participatory approach; all stake holders are involved in identifying constraints and workable solutions (design) Plan, Implementing, and follow up. This ensures that the interventions are responsive to the needs on the ground. Inclusive; KATC work on the principle of non exclusion of the most vulnerable segmented society through mainstreaming gender, youth’s disability and HIV/AIDS in all its program activities. It does not discriminate on the basis of religion and ethicist to progress towards adoption of Agrobiodiversit and sustainable Agriculture KATC’s intervention approach to addressing environment degradation and food insecurity Conservation Tillage, Biomass transfer, Use of compost, leave/animal manure extracts for crop nutrition, Integration of agroforestry into crop production, Sound water harvest technologies, integrated pest management, On-farm and residential training, establishment of Agrobiodiversity seed fairs

Mission:

Objectives:

- We are a farmer training institution near Lusaka, Zambia.
- Run by the Society of Jesus, we--
  - Offer a series of short courses in organic agriculture
  - Conduct field days at our own demonstration plots, farms, rural areas, and schools in the area
  - Prepare weekly radio programs for Yatsani Community Radio
  - Promote the formation of study circles in the villages.

Type of NGO: Education/Research

Location: Zambia

Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Kasisi Agricultural Training Centre (KATC) is a farmer-training institution near Lusaka, Zambia. It is operated by members of the Society of Jesus (Jesuits). From its beginning in 1974 until 1990 it taught conventional (industrial) agriculture, but then shifted to organic, sustainable agriculture.

Website: http://www.loyno.edu/~katc/aboutus.htm
41) Leibniz Centre for Agricultural Landscape Research (ZALF)

Scope of work: The Leibniz Centre for Agricultural Landscape Research (ZALF) focuses on the development of ecologically and economically sound land use systems. Biodiversity is a key factor in nearly all relevant agrolandscape processes. ZALF

Whilst ecosystem research explores individual ecosystems, agricultural landscape research at ZALF addresses the interdependencies and interactions between the individual compartments/systems, namely from a scientific, engineering and socio-economic perspective. In its landscape research, ZALF places societal demands in the foreground, analysing whether, and the extent to which, these demands can be met by way of sustainable landscape use (landscape functions). The concept of the multifunctionality of landscapes is defined and operationalised against this backdrop. In addition, opportunities for the development of rural areas and interactions in the urban/rural context are highlighted.

Mission: The statutory remit of ZALF is to scientifically explore ecosystems in agricultural landscapes and to develop ecologically and economically acceptable land use systems.

Objectives:
- Pursue new avenues in sustainability research, helping to shape the national and international research landscape
- Undertake interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary integrative landscape research, put into concrete terms in the research programme.

Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: Germany
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: The research institution is registered in the form of a non-profit association and is funded in equal parts by the Federal Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Consumer Protection and the Ministry for Science, Research and Culture of the State of Brandenburg.
Website: www.zalf.de

42) Leibniz Association

Scope of work: The Leibniz Association connects 89 independent research institutions that range in focus from the natural, engineering and environmental sciences via economics, spatial and social sciences to the humanities. Due to the importance of the institutions for the country as a whole, they are funded jointly by the Federation and the Länder, employing some 17,500 individuals, including 8,800 researchers. The entire budget of all the institutes is approximately 1.5 billion EUR. The Leibniz Association identifies focus areas for knowledge transfer to policy-makers, academia, business and the public. The Leibniz Association thus sees biodiversity research as a national task in an international context. It is the profile-building research focus of 11 of its institutes and research museums while 16 other institutions also make substantial contributions to biodiversity research and its ecological, economic and social significance. The natural history research museums with their collections of more than 70 million objects are one of its unique characteristics.

Mission: LHI bring researchers, stakeholders and WWF experts together to co-create evidence-based solutions to the toughest conservation and sustainable development problems.

Objectives:
- As a registered association the Leibniz Association pursues exclusively non-profit objectives: it promotes science and research at its member institutions whilst safeguarding their scientific, legal and economic independence.

Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: Germany
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:
Website: http://www.leibniz-gemeinschaft.de

43) Luc Hoffmann Institute

Scope of work: The Luc Hoffmann Institute is designed to facilitate the co-creation of the best possible evidence for the world’s most important conservation and development priorities. These priorities, many of which WWF groups together into their Global Initiatives, are strategically designed to accelerate conservation solutions and multiply conservation impact. Some of these initiatives are place based (Coastal East Africa, Living Amazon) while others focus more explicitly on systems (Smart Fishing and Market Transformation). All of these initiatives put humans, and human well-being, at the heart of their conservation goals. The Luc Hoffmann Institute aims to fill the existing gaps in science, knowledge and tools needed to create the solutions that will realize those goals.

Mission: LHI bring researchers, stakeholders and WWF experts together to co-create evidence-based solutions to the toughest conservation and sustainable development problems.
Objectives:
- Focusing research and synthesis to respond to the needs of decision-makers and practitioners
- Create timely evidence-based solutions to urgent environmental issues

Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: Switzerland
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:
Website: http://luchoffmanninstitute.org/

44) Marquette University
Scope of work: Marquette University is a Catholic and Jesuit University located near the heart of downtown Milwaukee, Wis., that offers a comprehensive range of majors in 11 nationally and internationally recognized colleges and schools. Functioning within the College of Arts and Sciences, the educational program integrates primarily the disciplines of biology, physics, economics, philosophy, and theology to address ecological concerns from an ethical perspective. A new Interdisciplinary Minor in Environmental Ethics (INEE) provides undergraduate students with the intellectual resources needed to reflect on the ethical dimensions of environmental issues. Five core courses develop student knowledge and skills in the natural sciences and the theological and philosophical traditions that are relevant to the minor.
Mission: Focus on the constructive relationship of theology, the natural sciences, and technology with special attention to religious foundations for ecological ethics.
Objectives:
- To enhance student understanding of the complexities of environmental issues by approaching them through multiple disciplines
- To prepare students to consider more thoughtfully and address more effectively the serious ethical questions pertaining to the physical environment today

Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: United States
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Marquette University was established as Marquette College in 1881.
Website: www.inee.mu.edu

45) Mindrol Changchup Choeling
Scope of work: Mindrol Changchup Choeling Trust MCCT is formed for Religious purpose to preserve, protect and promote Traditional Nyingmapa Buddhism, benefit of all sentient beings. This organisation is sprint under spiritual Leader Tulku Jurme Jampal Wangpo Rimpoche, Tulku is known as embodiment, Tulku Rimpoche was born in 25th December 1980 and has been recognized as the re-incarnation of Ngawang Sherab Rimpoche Jyasa Monastery Solukhumbu.
Mission/objectives: Followers of the Tulku Jurme Jampal Wongpo Rimpoche formed the trust to materialize many humanitarian projects, founded the Live to Love international charity organization to promote environmental preservation, relief, quality education, health services, heritage and Buddhist testimonial conservation.
Type of NGO: Other
Location: Nepal
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: MCCT was established in 2012 and is a non-profit religious organization and officially registered under the Ministry of Home and Social Welfare Council.
Website: www.mcc.org.np

46) National Institute for Environmental Studies
Scope of work: The National Institute for Environmental Studies (NIES) is a research institute that plays a central role in Japan in addressing environmental issues, by covering a wide range of research fields in an integrated way, and from local to global levels. Researchers from diverse fields of expertise carry out interdisciplinary work, ranging from basic research to research aimed at addressing complex environmental issues. The high level of researchers at NIES is also one of the distinctive features of the institute, with more than eighty percent of researchers holding doctoral degrees. The institute is structured into different centers which focus on different research areas including the Center for Global Environment Research, Center for Environmental Risk Research and Center for Environmental Biology and Ecosystem Studies among others.
Mission: NIES strives to contribute to society through research that fosters and protects a healthy environment for present and future generations.
Objectives:
Research activities cover a broad array of fields, including global warming; ozone layer depletion; air pollution and other forms of pollution; risks to human health and ecosystems from chemical substances such as endocrine disruptors; waste management, treatment and recycling; and the conservation of biodiversity.

Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: Japan
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: The institute was established in 1974.
Website: http://www.nies.go.jp/index-e.html

47) National Network of Indigenous Women (NNIW)
Scope of work: The NNIW is a consortium of Indigenous women's organizations, professionals and individuals committed for the promotion of indigenous peoples rights. The overall goal of the organization is to ensure Indigenous Women's access to, control over resources and to influence in decision-making processes for their sustainable and dignified lives.
Mission: To empower, unite Indigenous women, excluded groups to eliminate all types of discrimination through capacity building, institutional strengthening and advocacy on the rights of indigenous women.
Objectives:
- To implement various programs on education, research, conference, training, exchange visits and advocacy for Indigenous Women of Nepal to increase their capabilities, institutional strengthening, empowerment and organizational development
- To secure Indigenous women’s position and control in natural resources, Respect the rights to intellectual, cultural heritage and right to control the biological diversity

Type of NGO: Other
Location: Nepal
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: The National Network of Indigenous Women - NNIW has been officially established and registered at the Kathmandu District Administration Office of Nepal government under the Social Act 2034 and is affiliated with the Social Welfare Council.
Website: www.nniw.org.np

48) Nepal indigenous nationalities preservation association (NINPA)
Scope of work: Nepal Indigenous Nationalities Preservation Association (NINPA) is an organization established for the promotion and protection of Traditional Knowledge and Biological Diversity as well as protects Indigenous people's rights.
Mission: Nepal Indigenous Nationalities Preservation Association was formed with the goal of documenting and preserving the cultural knowledge of the Indigenous Peoples of Nepal and to assist them in developing and obtaining equal rights.
Objectives:
- To work for intellectual property right and for the preservation of Bio Diversity
- Awareness program of equitable sharing and sustainable use of natural resources

Type of NGO: Other
Location: Nepal
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: NINPA is a nonprofit non partisan, national level social organization. It is registered under the Nepalese Government and affiliated with social welfare council of Nepal and accredited with the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) in 2005 and World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) in 2009.
Website: www.ninpa.org.np

49) Network for Environment and Sustainable Development in Africa (NESDA)
Scope of work: NESDA is an African Non-Profit Organisation and NESDA’s core mission is to promote the environment and sustainable development on the African continent. Several of NESDA’s previous activities have sought the empowerment of civil society groups, including women’s groups. It is a membership organisation bringing together environmental experts, policy-makers, technical specialists, and activists from across the region. The NESDA Secretariat is based in Abidjan and is hosted by the African Development Bank. NESDA focuses on finding solutions to the challenge of managing Africa's environment and natural resources through networking between governments and the broad civil society community. As the IPBES, NESDA also emphasizes the development of effective
partnerships with other environmental organizations and promotes complementarity, resource-sharing, capacity building and capability enhancement in the implementation of its objectives.

Mission: The mission of the NESDA is to play a leading role in the sustainable management of the African environment by promoting and supporting the development, mobilisation and use of African knowledge, expertise, and priorities.

Objectives:
- organising and co-sponsoring thematic workshops bringing together experts from diverse constituencies
- the generation and dissemination of reports on best practices and lessons learned from experiences in national and transboundary environmental planning and policy formulation
- facilitating the preparation of African positions on critical environmental issues
- the provision of targeted advisory services through its members
- working with key international collaborators to provide African inputs into international environmental management initiatives
- developing and maintaining an electronic reference of National Environmental Policies and Strategies
- dissemination of relevant information through workshops, newsletters, information briefs and publications

Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Cote d'Ivoire
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: In 1996, NESDA has signed with the government of Côte d'Ivoire a Headquarters Agreement as an International non-governmental and non-profit organisation. The Headquarters and Secretariat of NESDA have been located, since 1992, at the African Development Bank (AfDB), in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire.
Website: www.redda-nesda.org

50) Norwegian Institute for Nature Research (NINA)

Scope of work: The Norwegian Institute for Nature Research, NINA, is as an independent foundation focusing on environmental research emphasising the interaction between human society, natural resources and biodiversity. NINA’s activities include research, environmental monitoring, counselling and evaluation. Our goal is to provide effective solutions for a sustainable future based on solid knowledge about species and populations, ecology, use of natural resources and attitudes towards nature. Biodiversity, fish and game management, predators and conflicts related to predators, renewable energy, restoration ecology and impacts of climate change are examples of topics covered by NINA. The institute also runs several national monitoring programmes of wild salmon, seabirds and large ungulates. Active dialogue and dissemination is of key importance for NINA’s work. NINA has five strategic institute priorities in the period of 2011 to 2017: 1) Natural goods in forests – biodiversity, climate mitigation and resources, 2) Interaction between aquaculture and wild salmon, 3) Impact of climate change, 4) Coastal ecosystem changes, and 5) Landscape management and ecosystem services.

Mission: The mission of the Norwegian Institute for Nature Research (NINA) is to be a leading national and international research institution in the production of applied scientific knowledge that can serve as a basis for sound management and utilization of natural resources.

Objectives: NINA is responsible for long-term strategic research and commissioned applied research to facilitate the implementation of international conventions, decision-support systems and management tools, as well as to enhance public awareness and promote conflict resolution.

Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Norway
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: The institute was established in 1988, employs a staff of approximately 240 and directs well-equipped laboratories and facilities at seven locations in Norway. NINA offers broad-based ecological expertise covering the genetic, population, species, ecosystem and landscape level, in terrestrial, freshwater, and coastal marine environments.
Website: http://www.nina.no/

51) Observatoire du Sahara et du Sahel

Scope of work: OSS works with its member countries according to the principle of subsidiarity. It acts as both an initiator and a facilitator of partnerships to address common environmental challenges. The management of transboundary water resources and the implementation of Multilateral Environmental Agreements, notably those addressing desertification, biodiversity and climate change, constitute key areas in the organization’s work. Our programs and projects are funded by voluntary contributions, grants and donations from member countries, organizations, and partners. A light and flexible structure, transparent financial management, effective governance and a competent, multicultural and multidisciplinary team constitute important assets that entitle OSS to make a significant contribution to the regional and international response to environmental challenges.
**Mission:** OSS provides a platform for North-South-South partnerships aimed at strengthening the capacity of African member countries to address environmental challenges as part of a long-term, sustainable development vision for the Sahel-Sahara region. The organization operates as a scientific and technical instrument at the disposal of member countries and organizations. We develop concepts, approaches and methodologies for environmental monitoring, natural resource management and climate change adaptation that can be used and implemented in member countries.

**Objectives:**

**Type of NGO:** NGO  
**Location:** Tunisia  
**Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:** The Sahara and Sahel Observatory is an international, intergovernmental organization operating in Africa’s Sahara-Sahel region. OSS was founded in 1992 in Paris and moved its headquarters to Tunis (Tunisia) in 2000.  
**Website:** [http://www.oss-online.org/](http://www.oss-online.org/)

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**52) Pacari Network**

**Scope of work:** The Pacari Articulation is a nongovernmental network that acts together with local communities working with traditional medicine in health care, covering 4 states of the Cerrado biome in Brazil. The articulation works through community focal points in each region which is responsible for mobilizing local community groups. The focal points are community leaders who practice traditional medicine, and are identified locally by healers, with a notable role of women. The focal points are part of a Political Council which represents the Pacari Articulation in spaces of public policy formulation and decision-making.

**Mission:**

**Objectives:**
- protection, promotion and maintenance of traditional knowledge associated with the sustainable use of biodiversity  
- affirmation of the identity of healers, with the appreciation of women's role in the care process with community health, including the health dimension interconnected with (agro) biodiversity, food sovereignty and access to territories

**Type of NGO:** Education/Research  
**Location:** Brazil  
**Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:**

**Website:** [www.pacari.org.br](http://www.pacari.org.br)

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**53) Paribartan Nepal**

**Scope of work:** our organization has been working in the field of sustainable development in a rural society, so this event will be fruitful to us.

**Mission:** Paribartan Nepal has a long term vision of building a forum for such interested and benevolent people from around the world who would like to contribute in their own ways. It seeks support from various national agencies, individuals, governmental and non-governmental donors to extend their support to fight for humanitarian cause aimed at boosting the living status of more needy and poor people.

**Objectives:** So our organization has a main goal of sustainable development beside this environment, health, education, women empowerment, peace, culture, old and children

**Type of NGO:** NGO  
**Location:** Nepal  
**Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:** Paribartan Nepal is nationally recognized Non-Governmental & Non-profitable and non political making national level social organization Registered under the Society Registration Act Government of Nepal. Paribartan Nepal aims at building up more concern from the International Community in the development of Nepal. Being one of the poorest nations in the world gripped in the decade long conflict and insurgency, Nepal is in need of friends both inside and outside who can contribute to our pursuit of peaceful and developed nation. Paribartan Nepal aims at building a forum for such interested and benevolent people from around the world who would like to contribute in their own ways. It seeks support from various national agencies, individuals, governmental and non-governmental donors to extend their support to fight for humanitarian cause aimed at boosting the living status of more needy and poor people.

**Website:** [www.pnepal.org.np](http://www.pnepal.org.np)
54) Pną K' Nyau Association for Sustainable Development (PASD)

Scope of work: The PASD works on Indigenous Knowledge on Biodiversity as the main area and worked in different levels on this area from a grass root level to bring these experiences into national and international levels. The PASD also works with Ministry and Culture, Education on this area.

Mission: To enhance the capacity of the communities in the hill areas in conserving the natural resources, with the coordination for cooperation from every concerned partners basing on participation and sustainability principles.

Objectives:
- To enhance the community capacity on learning, sharing, and collecting the body of knowledge on the hill area ethnic people as well as the studies on the issues both conducted in the country or abroad
- To support the capacity building for the community and network core leaders leading to the community development launched by the community.

Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Thailand
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Website: pasdthailand.org

55) Pro Natura - Friends of the Earth Switzerland

Scope of work: Pro Natura is a private non-profit organization. It's the largest organization for nature conservation in Switzerland. It is an association with over 115,000 members. Pro Natura engages in nature conservation on national level as well as international policies such as the CBD and was represented at the IPBES stakeholder meeting in Leipzig in 2013.

Mission/objectives: Pro Natura stands for a sustainable policy in all nature-related fields. It forms a pressure and lobbying group in cooperation with other national and international environmental organizations.

Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Switzerland
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Pro Natura is a private non-profit organization founded in 1909. Pro Natura is a founding member of the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) and the Swiss member of Friends of the Earth International.
Website: www.pronatura.ch

56) Quaker Earthcare Witness

Scope of work: Quaker Earthcare Witness (QEW) is a network of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in North America and other like-minded people who are taking spirit-led action to address ecological and social crises from a spiritual perspective, emphasizing Quaker process and testimonies, including continuing revelation.

Mission: QEW has grown over the last 25 years out of a deepening sense of spiritual connection with the natural world. Out of this has come an urgency to work on climate and related issues.

Objectives:
- Connecting with the international civil society community on earthcare concern
- Material and spiritual support for individual Friends and Friends groups who are working on ecological sustainability issues from a spiritual perspective
- Publications, programs, projects, and other activities that are aimed at making human activities not only ecologically sustainable but in harmony with the larger purposes of God's creation.

Type of NGO: NGO
Location: USA
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Quaker Earthcare Witness is a not-for-profit 501 (C)(3) organization, incorporated in the State of Michigan since 1987. QEW is accredited to United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).
Website: http://www.quakerearthcare.org/
57) Red de Cooperación Amazónica/ Amazon Cooperation Network (REDCAM)

Scope of work: relacionado con Conocimiento Tradicional desde el año 1996 en las comunidades locales y pueblos indígenas de la Región Amazónica, tanto en la parte promocionar como educativa y mayormente documentación con fines de protección de los CCTT y su conexión con el reparto equitativo de beneficios (ABS). He participado dando charlas, conferencias y talleres tanto a nivel nacional como internacional. La experiencia de participación en las reuniones de las conferencias de las partes así como talleres y reuniones de Grupo ABS ha servido de experiencias de formación que ha contribuido con difusión de la información y de los logros obtenidos en estos eventos. Actualmente hemos enfocado a la empoderación y fortalecimiento institucional de las comunidades locales de la región norte de la Amazonía, (incluyendo Colombia, Brasil, Venezuela, Guyana y Surinam) Actualmente me desempeño como encargado de Patrimonio Cultural, en la Red de Patrimonio de Patrimonio de la región Amazonas, Venezuela y como Coordinador General Red de Cooperación Amazónica, ASI COMO de la facilitación de la inclusión de las Comunidades Locales de América Latina y el Caribe en el proceso de CDB.

Mission/objectives:
Type of NGO: Other
Location: Venezuela
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:
Website:

58) Sokoine University of Agriculture

Scope of work: Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA) offers consultancy and outreach services in areas such as agriculture, forestry, natural resource management, veterinary, rural development, information and communication technology. SUA hosts the National Agricultural Library (SNAL) which is the University Library and it provides information resources in print and electronic format. SUA’s main research objective is to provide leadership in basic and applied research in order to generate science evidence knowledge and innovations that respond to contemporary and emerging needs.

Mission/objectives: The Vision of the university is to become a centre of excellence and a valued member of the global academic community in agriculture and other related fields, with emphasis on impacting practical skills, entrepreneurship, research and integration of basic and applied knowledge in an environmentally friendly manner. The vision is guided through the mission, which is to promote development through training, research, extension, provision of services to the public and private sector in an environmentally friendly manner.

Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: Tanzania
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Sokoine University of Agriculture was established on 1 July 1984 by Parliamentary Act No. 6 of the same year.
Website: http://www.suanet.ac.tz/

59) Task Force on Systemic Pesticides (TFSP)

Scope of work: The Task Force on Systemic Pesticides is the response of the scientific community to concern around the impact of systemic pesticides on biodiversity and ecosystems. Its intention is to provide the definitive view of science to inform more rapid and improved decision-making.

Mission: the Task Force on Systemic Pesticides was established to set about a systematic meta-analysis of all the available scientific studies of the effects of systemic pesticides on biodiversity and ecosystem services with a focus on pollinators and other non-ta

Objectives: In 2009 a group of European scientists from several disciplines convened amid growing scientific concern about the rapid decline in insect and arthropod populations across Europe. Their objective was to consider all the possible causes of the decline from the 1950s to the present time. This included the intensification of agriculture with its accompanying loss of natural habitats and massive use of pesticides and herbicides, the manifold increase in roads and motorized traffic, climate change, continent-wide nocturnal light pollution and other types of pollution and stress introduced by modernization.

Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: Norway
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: The Task Force on Systemic Pesticides is an independent group of scientists from all over the globe, who came together to work on the Worldwide Integrated Assessment of the Impact of Systemic Pesticides on Biodiversity and Ecosystems. The mandate of the Task Force is to provide the definitive view of science to inform more rapid and improved decision-making on the issue of systemic pesticides. In its recent scientific publication, the Task Force concluded that the current large-scale use of these substances is not sustainable. Impacts on a wide range of non-target organisms in terrestrial, aquatic, wetland, marine and benthic habitats can occur from field-realistic levels of exposure. There is growing body of evidence that these effects pose risks to ecosystem functioning, resilience and services such as for example pollination and nutrient cycling. The work of the Task Force
is relevant to IPBES because of its science based approach on the widespread potential impacts of systemic pesticides, and its aim to use this for more informed decision-making.

Website: http://www.tfsp.info

60) The Small Earth Nepal
Scope of work: The Small Earth Nepal (SEN) is a non-governmental organization established in 2001 with the main objective to improve sustainable lifestyles. Currently, it has been achieving its objects through research, advocacy, capacity development and raising awareness. The Small Earth Nepal's campaign and IPBES interest of mass awareness about different issues are relevant to each other. Likewise, SEN annual model program like Nepal National Water Week celebration, Best from west bring government, private organizations, NGOs, INGOs, students and civil society under same umbrella to mark, celebrate, and discuss in policy gap are very similar to IPBES matters.
Mission: SEN’s core mission is to focus on conservation activities, such as campaigning against the overexploitation of earth’s limited resources and in engaging the public through programs that teach individuals of all ages and background on how to minimize their impacts on those resources. Such activities are intended to motivate individuals and organizations, private business and government agencies to pursue sustainable development and system-resilient choices in their day to day workings. Since SEN is committed to achieve a balance in human–environment interactions through original research that enhances the knowledge framework that inform both policy and advocacy and through diffused activities that affect changes in the everyday lives of individuals regardless of background.
Objectives: The Small Earth Nepal (SEN) key objective is to promote sustainable lifestyles through education and promotion of activities that reduce adverse impact on the environment. SEN especially aims to motivate youth and students by organizing varieties of programs to motivate them through its Students-Teachers-Scientists (STS) network.
Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Nepal
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: SEN is a non-governmental organization (NGO) established in March 2001 to promote Sustainable Lifestyles and to reduce the Global footprint of Nepal. It was established as a sister organization of the Dutch nonprofit De Kleine Aarde (The Small Earth).
Website: http://www.smallearth.org.np/

61) Universidad Autónoma de Madrid
Scope of work:
Mission/objectives: see above
Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: Spain
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: UAM is a Spanish public university established in 1968.
Website: https://www.uam.es/

62) University of California, Berkeley, Dept. of Environmental Science, Policy & Management
Scope of work: UC Berkeley is a large public research university in the United States. It is one of 10 campuses in the UC system. Its governance structure functions similarly to most other institutions of its kind. The overarching goal of research within the Department of Environmental Science, Policy and Management is to achieve and maintain a sustainable future for the planet.
Mission: The Department of Environmental Science, Policy, and Management is a multidisciplinary program that recognizes the urgency of the challenges, and the enormous opportunities that may lead to transformative change.
Objectives:
- To serve as the campus portal to environmental research and issues
Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: USA
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: The University of California, Berkeley was established in 1868.
Website: http://ourenvironment.berkeley.edu/
63) Universidad del Norte

Scope of work: I lead the research strategies in biodiversity, ecosystem services and human wellness of the Universidad del Norte, a non-profit organization committed to the sustainable development of the Colombian Caribbean region.

Mission:

Objectives:

Type of NGO: Education/Research

Location: Colombia

Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: The Universidad del Norte is the main academic center for higher education in northern Colombia. It was founded in 1966 by a group of businessmen led by Karl C. Parrish in the city of Barranquilla. It started its academic operation on July 11, 1966, with 58 students and 10 teachers on core courses of business administration and engineering.

Website: www.uninorte.edu.co

64) University of Saskatchewan

Scope of work: College of Law belonging to the University of Saskatchewan: LLB, LLM, program for legal studies for native people

Mission:

Objectives:

Type of NGO: Education/Research

Location: Canada

Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: The University of Saskatchewan (U of S) is a Canadian public research university, founded in 1907, and located on the east side of the South Saskatchewan River in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada. An "Act to establish and incorporate a University for the Province of Saskatchewan" was passed by the provincial legislature in 1907. It established the provincial university on April 3, 1907 "for the purpose of providing facilities for higher education in all its branches and enabling all persons without regard to race, creed or religion to take the fullest advantage".[4][5] The University of Saskatchewan is now the largest education institution in the Canadian province of Saskatchewan.

Website: www.law.usask.ca

65) University of Zurich, Department of Geography

Scope of work: Research study about the implementation of the Ecosystem Services Framework into national and international policy framing

Mission:

Objectives:

Type of NGO: Education/Research

Location: Switzerland

Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: The Department of Geography, University of Zürich, belongs to the Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences. It is the largest Geography Department in Switzerland and offers a wide range of teaching and research facilities.

Website: www.geo.uzh.ch

66) Wildlife and Environmental Conservation Society of Zambia

Scope of work: Since 1953, we have been conserving Zambia’s wildlife and environment, through education, practical conservation and advocacy. Thanks to a dedicated team of staff and volunteers, who coordinate children’s clubs, publish a magazine and own wildlife camps, we have had some important successes. The oldest wildlife and environmental organisation in the country, we are a charitable non-governmental organisation, registered under Section 7 (2) of Societies Act Cap 119 (number ORS/102/35/192).

We focus on three areas of activity:

- Education, through activities such as our children’s clubs and associated magazines and radio programme
- Practical conservation, such as organising tree planting projects and clean-ups and promoting local tourism through visits to National Parks
- Advocacy and policy work, such as helping the government and ministries to draft the Zambia Biological Diversity Strategy and Action Plan, the Zambia Wetlands Strategy and Action Plan, the Water Bill and the National Policy on Environment

Mission:

Objectives:
Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Zambia
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: The replacement of communal ownership of biological and other resources, by state and private ownership, which saw the government encroaching customary land to develop forests, wildlife and water resources was based on the premise that the government could share the benefits more appropriately. The major role of governments at a regional level and its agencies is collaborative management support and facilitation which might include formulation of legal frame works, but not limited to helping communities plan for sustainable use of natural resources, facilitation of conflict resolution among groups of resource users, providing support for information gathering by local communities where it is clear that the information base is insufficient, for sound management and providing advise on technical matters where required.
Website: www.conservationzambia.org

67) Williams College
 Scope of work:
 Mission:
 Objectives:
 Type of NGO: Education/Research
 Location: United States
 Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Williams College is a 4-year liberal arts college in Williamstown, MA, USA. Established in 1793, it emphasizes undergraduate education and research. At Williams College, environmental studies is an interdisciplinary program bringing together faculty and students from disciplines in the physical and biological sciences, the social sciences, and the humanities. As an Assistant Professor of Environmental Studies at Williams College, I am seeking admission to IPBES as an observer. My research is concerned with expert institutions that provide science advice to multilateral environmental agreements. I am currently completing a multiple case-study analysis of contrasting approaches to the provision of science advice across MEAs. I would be grateful for the opportunity to be granted observer status to attend IPBES 3.
 Website: www.williams.edu

Information provided in support of applicants not approved by the Bureau as new observers to the third session of the Plenary

1) Association de l'Education Environnementale pour les Futures Générations (AEEFG)
 Scope of work: The AEEFG operates to teach youth pupils how to learn about and investigate their environment, and to make intelligent, informed decisions about how they can take care of it. The power of education is used to help create healthier communities that empower local communities, stakeholders, and individuals to help restore and protect the environment.
 Mission: The goal is to introduce another vision for pupils to their environment.
 Objectives:
 - Ensure environmental sustainability
 - Develop global partnership for development

 Type of NGO: NGO
 Location: Tunisia
 Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: No information concerning legitimacy
 Website: http://africaprosperity.com/index.php/region/region/items/view/Association-de-l_Education-Environnementale-pour-les-Futures-Generations

2) Africa Initiative for Sustainable Development
 Scope of work:
 Mission:
 Objectives:
 Type of NGO: NGO
 Location: Kenya
 Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:
 Website:
3) African Humanitarian Development

Scope of work:
Mission:
Objectives:
Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Senegal
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Deliverable 1(d): Priority knowledge and data needs for policymaking addressed through catalysing efforts to generate new knowledge and networking
Website: Under construction

4) AmberPan Company Ngo Limited

Scope of work:
Mission:
Objectives:
Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Ghana
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: it will be an ideal to take part and meet other people and share ideals
Website:

5) Arab Youth Climate Movement

Scope of work: The AYCM has a simple vision – we want to be able to enjoy a stable climate similar to that which our parents and grandparents enjoyed. “We have not inherited the earth from our ancestors we have merely borrowed it from our children”. We’re building a generation-wide movement to solve the climate crisis, in the MENA Region, and all over the world. We do this by educating, empowering, inspiring, mobilizing, and engaging young climate activists in environmental and developmental activities across the Middle East & North Africa region. AYCM believes that climate change is one of the greatest threats facing humanity, and that young people – as the inheritors of this planet – are the key stakeholder in humanity’s response to the climate crisis. However, we also believe that addressing the climate crisis is an opportunity to create a more sustainable, prosperous, meaningful, just, and fair world.

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Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Yemen
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Established in the lead up to the UNFCCC COP18 Doha negotiations, AYCM is driven by over 20 national coordinators spread across 15 MENA countries and aims to make its presence felt from the Gulf to the Atlantic. AYCM partners include IndyAct, 350.org, Global Campaign for Climate Action and the Climate Action Network (CAN).
Website: http://aycm.org/

6) Association for Channeling Bioknowledge CHBK and PBk2100

Scope of work:
Mission/objectives:
Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Switzerland
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Website: for CHBK, http://probioknowledge.wordpress.com
7) **Barnabas Trust International**

**Scope of work:** The Barnabas Trust International is non-governmental organization based in Nigeria with the mandate among others to serve as an adviser to the government on the making of policies that affect biodiversity and ecosystems in the country. It is also involved in nature preservation and educating the society on the importance of ecological management. The organization is based on voluntary membership with some few staff as full time workers to run the projects of the organization and to manage it. It is a national organization with projects across the country. The organization works along the objectives of the IPBES in areas of biodiversity in terms of working in partnership and advisory role to the government on policy making and nature conservation.

**Mission/objectives:**
- **Type of NGO:** Education/Research
- **Location:** Nigeria
- **Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:**
- **Website:** [www.barnabastrustint.wordpress.com](http://www.barnabastrustint.wordpress.com)

8) **Benineese Center of Biodiversity, Ecotourism and Seeds (BCBES-NGO)**

**Scope of work:**

**Mission:**

**Objectives:**

- **Type of NGO:** NGO
- **Location:** Benin
- **Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:** Communication education and sensibilization communities, and public on biodiversity conservation. Conservation of traditional and communities genetic resources and promoting the ecotourism and ecosystem services
- **Website:**

9) **BirdProtection Macedonia**

**Scope of work:** BirdProtection Macedonia is oldest (since 1989) environmental national NGO in Macedonia dedicated for nature protection in Macedonia. Inside the Society operate Macedonian Ramsar Committee and different Study Groups

**Mission:**

**Objectives:**

- **Type of NGO:** NGO
- **Location:** Macedonia
- **Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:**
- **Website:** [http://www.birdprotection.org.mk/](http://www.birdprotection.org.mk/) (inactive)

10) **Carbone Guinée**

**Scope of work:**

**Mission/objectives:**

- **Type of NGO:** NGO
- **Location:** Guinea
- **Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:**
- **Website:** [www.carboneguinee.org](http://www.carboneguinee.org)

11) **Center for Global Environment, Development and democracy**

**Scope of work:** My Organization was established to look into critical environmental and development issues and how they affect the lives of people. Importantly, it focuses on the protection of nature, especially our ecosystem and biodiversity and present policy approaches of mitigating human impacts on the environment. In short, we seek to bring man into harmony with nature so that there can be equity in the use of natural resources in a sustainable manner or form.

**Mission:**

**Objectives:**

- **Type of NGO:** NGO
- **Location:** Liberia
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: My Organization was established to look into critical environmental and development issues and how they affect the loves of people. Importantly, it focuses on the protection of nature, especially our ecosystem and biodiversity and present policy approaches of mitigating human impacts on the environment. In short, we seek to bring man into harmony with nature so that there can be equity in the use of natural resources in a sustainable manner or form.

To provide research on environmental activities including biodiversity, ecosystem and climate change to policy makers for policy actions

Website: http://munyeneh.blogspot.de/ (Personal blog)


12) Centre for Environmental Governance (Formally Youth Action International)

Scope of work: The Convention pursues three objectives of equal standing, the conservation of biological diversity, the sustainable use of its components and the fair and equitable sharing of the benefits arising from the utilization of genetic resources. Indigenous ecological knowledge is now highly sought after and being documented. Within this context, it would be proper that respect is given to indigenous people and the knowledge that they possess. A number of opinions and international bodies have identified the need for indigenous rights to cultural knowledge Indigenous cultural and intellectual property rights recognize that indigenous people are the custodians of knowledge that inherited through the transmission of cultural knowledge.

Mission/objectives:

Website:

13) Centre for Excellent Consultancy

Scope of work: Our Vision is to make a difference through international education admission processing and to prepare students to be intercultural effective leaders of tomorrow.

Mission: To provide information about Study Abroad, International higher Institutions, International Scholarships and organization of Preparatory classes towards getting admission to oversea Schools.

Objectives: We are strongly committed to improving the quality of citizenry through provision of access to functional education and through curriculum development.

Website: http://ctexcellence.webs.com/aboutus.htm
14) Centro de Estudios Multidisciplinarios Aymara
Scope of work: Soy miembro experto del Foro Permanente para Cuestiones Indígenas.
Mission/objectives:
Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: Bolivia
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:
Website:

15) Embry Riddle College of Management Studies
Scope of work:
Mission:
Objectives:
Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: Ghana
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:
Website:

16) Environmental Conservation Society
Scope of work: Through promotion of environmental friendly activities, the organization brings on board all youthful environmental practitioners to join the course for care and sustainability of habitable environment. Activities include community cleanups where communal residents are called upon to spend an afternoon every week to clean their compound. It also introduced an “Ecoworld campaign” to sensitize citizens to use proper biodegradable items in their day to day activities and to promote proper waste management separation.
Mission: The Environmental Conservation Society seeks to promote environmental care education to the public through adoption of fair environmental practice to mitigate climate change.
Objectives:
- To promote, support and provide trainings and empowerment programs for youth on agribusiness activities
- To establish or assist in the establishment of schools and other educational centres, libraries and community centres for empowerment of young environmentalists
- To raise/mobilise for funds to facilitate the movement activities and to seek partnerships with other institutions

Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Kenya
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:
Website:

17) Evidence University Akure
Scope of work:
Mission:
Objectives:
Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: Nigeria
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:
Website:

18) Fondation des Oeuvres pour la Solidarite et le Bien Etre Social (FOSBES)
Scope of work:
Mission: We are involved in Education, development, Environment, Migration, Health, biodiversity, Financing, STI/HIV/AIDS.
Objectives:
- Help vulnerable and socially unstable people (Orphans, widows, people living with HIV/STI/AIDS, physically and mentally disabled) to bring them material, moral and financial assistance;
- Strengthen the roles and contribution of the whole community in general, and of women in particular, by focusing on education (relating to health, nutrition, familial life, raising, agriculture, practical works through conferences, training, seminars and apprenticeships) community development and promoting
reproductive/sexual health workshops. FOSBES makes every effort possible to empower communities by providing the relevant information to raise their awareness as well as their commitment to development.

- Fight against STI/HIV/AIDS, malnutrition, sexual violence and infantile diseases;
- Assist in the provision of emergency relief
- Participate in the rehabilitation of people recovering from an injury or disability and in his or her reintegration into community life.

Fondation Internationale Du Don De La Libéralité

19) Scope of work:

Mission:

Objectives:

- General aid and care:
  - Giving help to orphans, sick and poor.
  - Care/rehabilitation of abandoned children.
  - Humanitarian/samaritan support.
  - Help to refugee

- 2-humanitarian education:
  - Holding of conference workshop and seminars to pass ideals and knowledge in our every day life.
  - Teaching: --teaching people to be creative, so that they'll be usefull in our society.

- 3-climate:-(environmental and health issues).
  - Provision of rural well water and boreholes to eradicate water disease.
  - Air, water pollution and soil.
  - Solutions to spread of communicable and non-communicable diseases.

Generations for Sustainable (GSE)

20) Scope of work: It is a non-profit organization specialized in promoting the importance of integrating environment and sustainability aspects in every development policies, strategies, programs and projects giving priority the conservation of ecosystems including biodiversity in any activity and resilient and adaptation strategies.

Mission/objectives:

Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Sweden
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:
Website: http://www.idealista.org/view/org/7MB7npGdchSP/

Global Impact Biodiversity Initiative

21) Scope of work: A global community for dialogue aimed at conserving biodiversity, promoting its awareness and sustainable use, sharing opportunities and success stories.

Mission: The Global Impact: Biodiversity Initiative ’s mission is to spread the word "Living in harmony with Nature" and foster a knowing stewardship of our nature through biodiversity conservation initiatives that promote, inform and encourage preservation of

Objectives: A series of competitions, campaigns, conferences, talks, symposia, dialogue, forums on biodiversity will be organized by GIBI team in different countries in the period of (2014-2020) to contribute to the implementation of the strategic Goal A-E of the Con

Type of NGO: NGO
Location:
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: In the line with the outcomes of the seventh Trondheim Conference on Biodiversity under the theme “Ecology and Economy for a Sustainable Society”, which took place from 27 to 31
May 2013, and attended by 330 participants from 120 countries (https://www.cbd.int/sbstta/doc/trondheim-07-cochairs-report-en.pdf); the Global Impact Biodiversity Initiative (GIBI) was launched in January 2014. The GIBI is a global community and platform for dialogue open to all people interested in raising awareness about biodiversity, the need to reduce its loss, exploring and sharing success stories and opportunities in the sector of biodiversity and any field connected to biodiversity.

Website: https://www.facebook.com/groups/286095138214947/

22) Green and Rural development Nepal
Scope of work: our organization has been working in the field of sustainable development in a rural society, so this event will be fruitful to us.
Mission:
Objectives:
Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Nepal
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:
Website: Member of http://www.pnepal.org.np/index.php/members-partners. No website of its own

23) GREPOM/BirdLife Maroc
Scope of work: GREPOM is a conservation NGO in Morocco that promotes education, raising awareness and volunteerism pertaining to bird conservation. The organization’s objectives include developing knowledge and expertise around bird conservation, harnessing the connection between people and birds through educational programs, protecting habitat for important bird species, and supporting sustainable multiple uses of bird habitat. GREPOM engages in numerous public education and awareness raising activities, ecosystem assessments and field site conservation programs through their network of members and volunteers across the country. GREPOM recently became an affiliate of BirdLife International and the recipient of donor grants from a number of European supporters to manage sites and implement conservation activities. GREPOM works also in partnership with the government institutions namely the Moroccan High Commission for wetlands and forests and fight against desertification to implement national plans and strategy for the conservation of protected areas and endangered species. Our interest to IPBES is to participate in ecological assessments, extend debate, provide scientific data.
Mission/objectives:
Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Morocco
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:
Website: www.grepom.org

24) Human Environmental Association for Development (HEAD)
Scope of work: The message of our association is assembly to contribute the preservation of the environment and its elements of earth, air, water, and biodiversity in Lebanon by working to raise the environmental awareness, enhancing the technical skills and environmental sense of citizenship by the individuals and institutions with focusing on women, children, and young people in collaboration with governmental and non-governmental institution, and to act within the interest of the country within the principles of sustainability and effective participation of the community.
Mission: The main goal of HEAD is to contribute improving the environmental aesthetic situation in Lebanon especially in Byblos through environmental activities and projects with various partnership stakeholders.
Objectives:
- Contribute to raise environmental awareness and foster a sense of citizenship in order to preserve the heritage by the individuals, community organizations with focusing on children, youth & women
- Working to promote community participation in the assembly activities through distributing the culture of voluntary work participatory development
- Contribute capacity building for the members of the assembly, the local community and those who are concerned with the environment through trainings, execution of research projects and environmental activities
- Strengthen partnership with actors and players in the field of environment, whether governmental or non-governmental, legislative, international or regional organizations through effective coordination and agreements & establishing of a network and cooperation with associations, organizations concerned with environment and heritage locally, regionally and internationally
- Create interest and public awareness about protecting the natural environmental awareness among the local community, especially at schools, universities with a help of municipalities to educate the public about the dangers that can result from environmental pollutants and waste of resources
- Cooperation with relevant ministries to implement and develop environmental policies for the protection of natural resources for sustainable development
- Organizing awareness campaigns and fields activities to stimulate public opinion to protect the environment

Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Lebanon
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Human Environmental Association of Development – Head Association is a non-governmental organization which was officially registered under the Ministerial Decree number 09/723.
Website:

25) International Clean Energy Partnership Foundation (ICEPS)
Scope of work: The ICEPS Foundation seeks the promotion of clean and affordable energy (technologies) by Bio Diversity, Bio Science and Bio Technologies.
Mission/objectives:
Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: Germany
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Website: clean-energy-bonn.org

26) Indigenous Knowledge and People’s Network, Society for Wetland Biodiversity Conservation Nepal
Scope of work: Study, Documentation, Promotion, CEPA, Advocacy, Research, Restoration, Network, lobby and Advocacy in the field of indigenous Knowledge, traditional practices, culture, folklore, expression, traditions, and biodiversity, ecosystem, species and genetic resources. Scientific collaboration to ensure rights of indigenous people.
Mission/objectives:
Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Nepal
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Website:

27) International Non-Governmental Organization “ECOPROJECT” (Ekapraekt)
Scope of work:
Mission: We are a “boundary organization” concerned with:
- facilitating dialogue and knowledge integration between various stakeholder groups - experts and non-experts, different sectors, public and private, national and international actors;
- providing a platform and expert support for multi-disciplinary approach to environmental and social problems;
- introducing human dimension and social approach to environmental policy and planning.
Objectives:
- sustainable urban development (including energy efficiency, responsible housing management etc, tenants’ participation)
- water and biodiversity governance
- environmental education
- ecotourism
- landscape planning (landscape strategies)
- mitigation and adaptation to climate change (including renewable energy)
Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Belarus
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: NGO Ekapraekt has more than 15 years of experience of implementing and coordinating initiatives in the field of biodiversity conservation and physical planning. This included public awareness and information campaigns, capacity-building for public participation in environmental decision-making, curriculum development for schools and universities, research projects, participation in research training networks. Ekapraekt participates in legislative process and strategical planning at all the levels – from national to local; it cooperates with local authorities, governmental bodies and UN representation in Belarus in order pursue its agenda of promoting transparent and accountable governance of natural resources in Belarus and to build
capacity of non-governmental sector for being a functional part of it. Ekapraekt is governed by the Central Council chaired by the Chair, and has regional branches in Belarus and Armenia. Ekapraekt is prepared to contribute to IPBES process with its expertise in biodiversity/ecosystem services governance and management in Belarus and other countries of the region, in particular Kazakhstan, Moldova, Russia and Ukraine, where our members run a lot of acti

Website: http://www.ekapraekt.by/ (Website is note Available). Referred to http://iseu.by/m/12_117067_0_63076.pdf

28) International Sturgeon Research Institute

Scope of work: The Caspian Sea is the repository of all that is transported by and discharged into its waters by the rivers, including pollution. Human life and the rural economy in these rugged conditions depend on the ecosystem’s resilience and stability. Globally significant biological species of sturgeon, Caspian seals, pink flamingo, and about 400 endemic species live in the sea. The sea has also represented an important waterway for trade, sea routes being more efficient than the long overland routes.. From totally 27 Sturgeon species, 6 species live in Caspian Sea and its tributaries. Although artificial propagation and rearing can be a possible breakthrough for the problem to improve their stocks conservation and production of sturgeon for marketing so my study considers the Restoration of sturgeons stock in Caspian Sea. I am assured that my participation in this conference will be very effective in improving my skills and also certainly contribute to the overall success of the conference .I would there for like to request you please consider my cv for financial support and offer of this my opportunity to participate in this conference

Mission:

Objectives:

- The main objectives of the International Sturgeon Research Institute (ISRI) in Rasht (Iran) relate to conservation and sustainable use of sturgeon stocks in the Caspian Sea while also fostering regional and international cooperation to conduct sturgeon research in joint projects along the following thematic subject areas:
  - A) Specific Research topics:
    - Sturgeon Ecology in natural waters and under ponds conditions
    - Controlled reproduction, Sturgeon rehabilitation and restocking of sturgeon populations
    - Stock assessment and improved catch technology
    - General physiology and biochemistry of sturgeons
    - Genetics and breeding, biotechnology and population genetics of sturgeons
    - Sturgeon aquaculture
    - Ecotoxicology studies using sturgeons as target species
    - Processing technology and development of sturgeon products
    - Sturgeon pathology and disease control
  - B) Involvement in Regional and International Cooperation:
    - Cooperation with international organizations to conserve valuable stocks of sturgeons in the Caspian Sea and other endangered populations of sturgeon species in the world. eg. CITES ( Asia representative in Animal Committee), IUCN (Chairman of Sturgeon Specialist Group), Member of Foundation Committee and Board in WSCS
    - Exchange scientific and technical information as well as research experts with other organizations and universities
    - Conduct long term and short term training courses at different academic levels
    - Hosting international conferences on management and conservation of sturgeon stocks. (Chairman of ISS5)

Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: Iran
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: The I. R. of Iran has about 50 years experience in sturgeon breeding and rearing activities.
Website: http://www.wscs.info/about/sponsors/isri.aspx

29) Kasetsart University

Scope of work:

Mission:

Objectives: Kasetsart University gathers wisdom and knowledge, creates and develops varied bodies of knowledge, and forms people who are intelligent, who think rationally, who behave morally, who are conscious of the common good, and who produce high standard work ca

Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Thailand
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Kasetsart University is a public university where bodies of knowledge and research potential have been continually accumulated for nearly seven decades. Now, as a national research
university endorsed by the Commission on Higher Education of Thailand with the vision to become “the world’s leading research university in agriculture, food, technology and innovation”, Kasetsart University is ready to drive to our major goal as a leading university and to deploy networks for the accomplishment to be a world class university in the near future.

Website: http://www.ku.ac.th/english/

30) Lagos State University, Ojo

Scope of work: 

Mission:

Objectives: To form the apex of the educational system of the State, to provide facilities for learning, and to give instruction and training in such branches of knowledge as the University may desire to foster, and on doing so, to enable students obtain the advant

Type of NGO: Education/Research

Location: Nigeria

Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: The Lagos State University - also known as LASU - was established in 1983 by the enabling Law of Lagos State of Nigeria, for the advancement of learning and establishment of academic excellence. The university caters for a population of over 61,000, enrolled in full-time and part-time programmes at the Diploma, Undergraduate and Postgraduate. Lagos State University (informally LASU), located in the city of Ojo, Lagos, Nigeria, is the only state university in the former British colony.

Website: http://www.lasu.edu.ng/

31) Maison Abraham NGO

Scope of work: Organisation non gouvernementale à caractère socio-économique, humanitaire et culturel. Ayant pour objectif de lutter contre la pauvreté, la malnutrition, le sous-développement, soutenir les démunies, les vulnérable, les réfugiés de guerres, les orphelins, enfants de la rue, veuves et lutter contre les maladies infectieuses et transmissibles, les antivaleurs, les catastrophes naturelles, la déforestation, la pollution de l’air, de l’eau et la préservation de la faune et de la flore.

Mission/objectives:

Type of NGO: NGO

Location: Congo

Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:

Website:

32) Mauritius Council For Development, Environmental Studies & Conservation (MAUDESCO)

Scope of work: MAUDESCO / Friends of the Earth Mauritius was established in the wake of the setting up of the Brundtland Report in the 1990s. Its objectives are promoting sustainable development, environmental protection, and conservation issues. The membership of Maudesco includes youth, women, students, grassroot groups and other NGOs. The organization's main campaigns include sustainable tourism, protection of the ocean/coral reefs, climate change, renewable energy (solar), organic farming, making compost from household waste, awareness raising, training and seminars.

Mission/objectives: MAUDESCO develops activities (workshops, talks, projects) that tend to raise awareness and build capacity on pressing issues such as adaptation to climate change. The Earth Charter serves as a framework for their work. MAUDESCO believes that the best way to combat climate change is through a change of lifestyle - hence the Charter is an appropriate tool to achieve this.

Type of NGO: NGO

Location: Mauritius

Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:

Website: http://www.foei.org/member-groups/africa/mauritius/
http://www.earthcharterinaction.org/content/categories/Countries/Mauritius
33) **Millennium Ecologic Museum**

Scope of work: Promote the conservation of biodiversity of Cameroon and Congo Basin. Forest conservation projects reconciliation and development of forest-dependent communities

Mission: Développer un programme de recherche pluridisciplinaire au service de la valorisation de la biodiversité du Cameroun et du bassin du Congo.

Objectives:

Type of NGO: Education/Research

Location: Cameroon

Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:

Website: http://ecologicalmuseum.netsons.org

34) **Peristrofi Masters Theology Ghana**

Scope of work: Peristrofi Masters Theology is now known as Peristrofi Masters Theology International. It is nondenominational Christian private graduate institution committed to the provision of quality and reliable theological education and research. The overall objective of the institution is to serve the church, community and science, bearing in mind devotion to the African and international context and sensitivity for the concerns of different traditions of faith.

The College is a private Christian academic institution dedicated to the study of theology and its related disciplines. The college ordains and license international ministers of God for the work of the vineyard.

The college offers graduate-level programs and classes in Theology and Religious Education with Business via the internet and on-campus tutorial.

The college has the concept of e-learning as an umbrella notion covering web-bases learning, computer-assisted learning, virtual classrooms and digital communication. As a rule, e-course combines a variety of technological means and media for studies.

Mission: Peristrofi Master’s Theology is nondenominational Christian private institution committed to the provision of theological education. The school prepares laity, religious, and ordained ministers for the service and leadership to meet the revolutionary need

Objectives:

The priorities Peristrofi are:

- To be a community of education in theology and related disciplines.
- To offer formation and support for pastoral leadership and promote the development of collaborative ministry.
- To be a community committed to prayer and wors

Type of NGO: Education/Research

Location: Ghana

Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: It is research institution mandated to project sound information related to Biodiversity and Ecosystem

Website: www.pmtghana.com

35) **Professional Institute of Research**

Scope of work: Strategic Partnerships biodiversity awareness programmes and practical research in institutions.

Mission/objectives:

Type of NGO: Education/Research

Location: Kenya

Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:

Website:

36) **Réseau Communautaire pour le Pauvre (RCP Network)**

Scope of work: Taking into account his objectives and outcomes, the RCP-Network through his composed organizations members (particularly the OLESDK –NGO which is the managing organization of the RCP- Network), had participated: - at 6th meeting of Technologic Executive Committee of UN- FCCC in Germany - at 21st meeting of the Adaptation Fund Board AFB21 in Germany, Bonn - in 2nd Working group of the analysis on the financial results of the UN- FCCC in Germany - in 1st African Food Security Conference in Kenya - at 19th COP of the UN- FCCC in Poland, Warsaw - to the UNFCCC SB40 As Civil observer Organization to the Convention on Biological Diversity, the RCP-Network has Participated: - in 8th meeting of the Ad Hoc Open -Ended Working Group on Article 8j of the UN-CBD and the 17th session of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific and Technical Advice of the Convention on Biological Diversity in Canada, Montreal - to the CBD COP20 in Korea And the RCP-Network is the African French
Countries Representative to the Global Board of CBD Alliance for a 3 years elected mandate. The RCP- Network is a signatory to several international petition on Biodiversity, Climate Change, Human Rights, and Sustainable

Mission:

Objectives:

Type of NGO: Other

Location: Congo

Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Listed in http://cbd-alliance.squarespace.com/governance-and-management/

Website: provided www.cbdalliance.org but actual information on https://www.b2match.eu/bwspartnering/participants/25. Own website not found

37) Réseau Ensemble pour le Développement Durable (EDDA)

Scope of work: The Network E. D. D. A. is a network currently comprising ten associations and intend to broaden it to all associations effective and active in the Region of Arta so that the E. D. D. A. can become the main interlocutor of the civil society. Countries in which organization is active: Cameroon, Djibouti, Egypt, Kenya, and Yemen

Mission: Le Réseau EDDA est actif dans le domaine de la santé en général, la lutte contre le VIH/SIDA, l'accès aux soins de santé pour tous, la protection maternelle et infantile.

Objectives: The main objective was to strengthen the capacity of actions of the associations in our region so that they can emit into the future a good image of the civil society in this region

Type of NGO: NGO

Location: Djibouti


Website: http://www.gefngo.org/formmaster.cfm?&menuid=40&action=view&orgid=571&preaction=main

38) Sea Memories Collective

Scope of work: The Sea Memories Collective works for sustainability and the conservation of marine and coastal zones through community intervention activities under the perspective of educommunication, integrating multiple knowledge and multiplying experiences of ecosystem-based and socioenvironmental governance.

Mission:

Objectives:

Type of NGO: NGO

Location: Brazil

Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Founded on 1 June 2007

Website: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Coletivo-Mem%C3%B3rias-do-Mar/139235826221280

39) Sustainable agriculture and environment

Scope of work: Sustainable agriculture and environment is a civil society. Non for profit Organization. Sustainable food production and consumption and support both biodiversity and ecosystem services are the main objective. The members of the organization are working on toxic pollution reduction and regulations for developing countries.

Mission: Prevent misuse of pesticides in Iran and the region

Objectives:

- Promoting alternatives for dangerous pesticides particularly using pesticidal plants and IPM programs
- Protection and conservation of wetlands and protected areas

Type of NGO: Education/Research

Location: Iran

Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Not registered yet

Website:
40) **TEK.EU**

Scope of work: To analyse the state of the art of Traditional Ecological Knowledge in Europe and to develop the strategies for coproducing knowledge. That is of high relevance for IPBES in its way to acknowledge different knowledge bodies.

Mission/objectives:
Type of NGO: Other
Location:
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:
Website:

41) **The State of the Earth**

Scope of work: Our mission is to help the people of the planet assess for themselves the state of the earth, using the highest quality scientific data and advanced social visualizations available on mobile technology platforms worldwide. The State of the Earth is led by a global board of governors, and needs to understand the latest and best metrics and data sources on issues such as biodiversity and ecosystems services from the scientific community.

Mission/objectives:
Type of NGO: NGO
Location: USA
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:
Website: www.stateoftheearth.org

42) **Thelema**

Scope of work: In a context of biodiversity losses and climate change, we founded Thelema to contribute to a healthier balance between economic and nature capital. Thelema is an European cooperative.

Mission:
Type of NGO: Other
Location: France
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:
Website: www.thelema.fr

43) **Uganda Environmental Education Foundation (UEEF)**

Scope of work: Registered by the Government of Uganda as NGO the UEEF carries out Environmental education programs in Uganda in the areas of environmental education, forestry, biodiversity, agriculture, energy.

Mission: To be the leading provider of environmental education and natural resource management in Uganda and to empower people with knowledge, understanding and skills to make sound decisions that improve the quality of their environment as well as their livelihoods.

Objectives:
Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Uganda
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:
Website: www.ueefuganda.org
44) Unit of Environmental Studies and Research, Egyptian Society for Development of Fisheries Resources and Health

Scope of work: The Society participated in 4 projects funded by GEF, university and private sector dealing with pollution in lakes, conservation, biodiversity, impact of exotic species, fisheries development. The Society organizes a scientific conference each year and issuing a scientific journal since 1998, publishes articles related to aquatic environment and fisheries.

Mission: The Egyptian Society for Development of Fisheries Resources aims to cooperate with the decision makers in the field of fisheries and aquatic environment, as well as solving problems to fishermen. The Unit of Environmental Studies was created for the purpose of participating in the scientific research and projects that help in solving problems related to aquatic environment and fisheries.

Objectives:
- no website only a journal

Type of NGO: Education/Research
Location: Egypt
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background: Egyptian Society for Development of Fisheries Resources has been established in 1997 at Ain Shams University. The Unit of Environmental Studies and Research has been founded in 2011 under the umbrella of the Society.
Website: www.ejabf.eg.net (journal)

45) United Hands for Change (UHFC)

Scope of work:

Mission:

Objectives: Imparting practical knowledge and creating public awareness related to natural disaster, water and sanitation, food security, human right, legal awareness and environment protection, for doing arrangement of practical knowledge or youth, skill oriented training, seminar and workshop based on education, moral value and norm for children, by inspiring for participation in development and construction of society, for change, for progression, social transformation, by maintaining unity, brotherhood, goodwill and organization among youth community.

Type of NGO: NGO
Location: Nepal
Legitimacy/Year of establishment/Background:
Website: www.uhfc.org