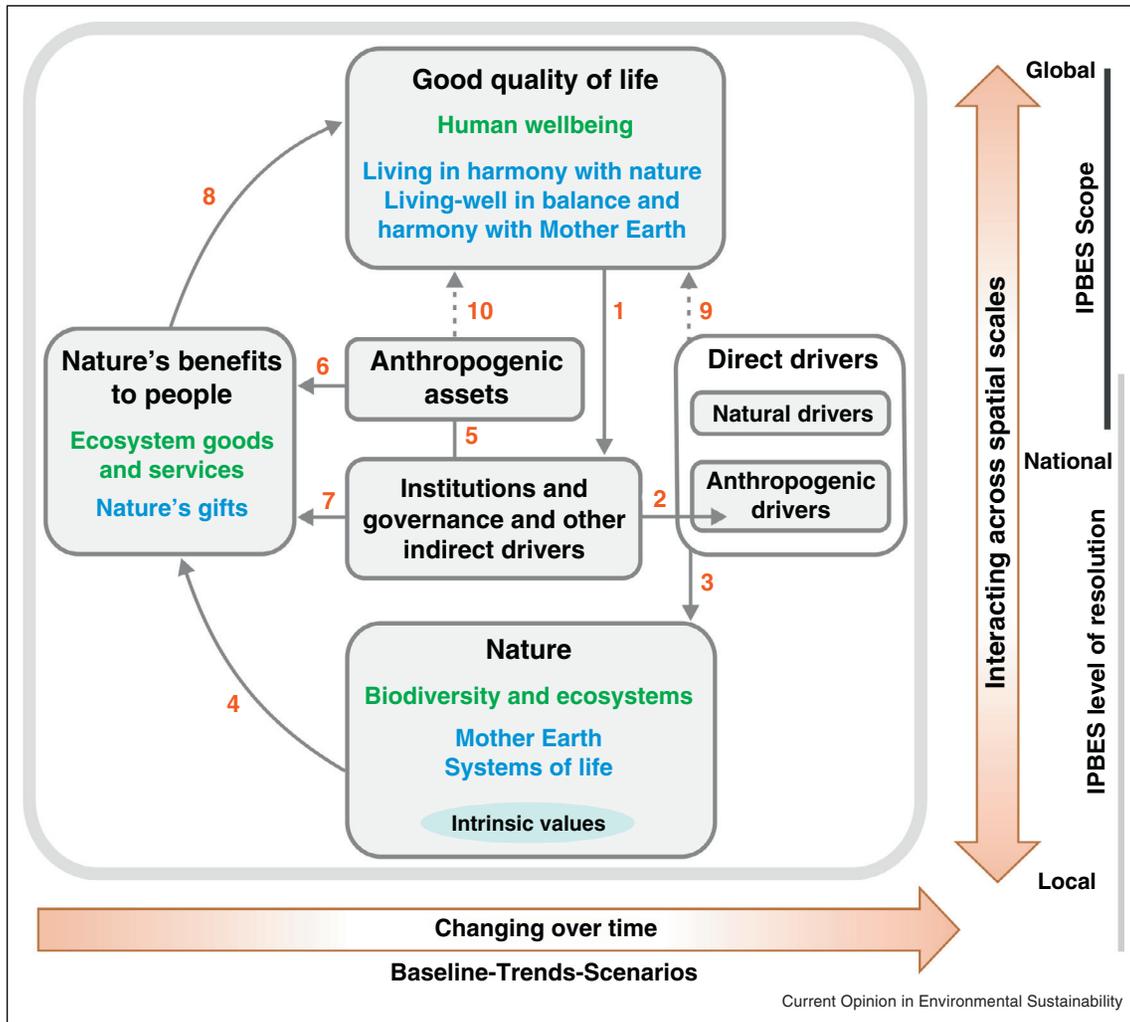


Figure 1



The IPBES Conceptual Framework (CF). In the central panel, delimited in grey, boxes and arrows denote the elements of nature and society that are at the main focus of the Platform. In each of the boxes, the headlines in black are inclusive categories that should be intelligible and relevant to all stakeholders involved in IPBES and embrace the categories of western science (in green) and equivalent or similar categories according to other knowledge systems (in blue). The blue and green categories mentioned here are illustrative, not exhaustive, and are further explained in the main text. Solid arrows in the main panel denote influence between elements; the dotted arrows denote links that are acknowledged as important, but are not the main focus of the Platform. Links indicated by numbered arrow are described in the main text (section on Linkages among the elements, and Box 2). The anthropocentric values of nature are embedded in the nature, nature's benefits to people and good quality of life boxes, and in the arrows connecting them. The intrinsic values of nature (represented by a blue oval at the bottom of the nature box) are independent from human experience and thus do not participate in these arrows (see Values section in main text for detailed explanation). The thick coloured arrows below and to the right of the central panel indicate that the interactions between the elements change over time (horizontal bottom arrow) and occur at various scales in space (vertical arrow). The vertical lines to the right of the spatial scale arrow indicate that, although IPBES assessments will be at the supranational-subregional to global-geographical scales (scope), they will in part build on properties and relationships acting at finer — national and subnational-scales (resolution, in the sense of minimum discernible unit). The resolution line does not extend all the way to the global level because, due to the heterogenous and spatially aggregated nature of biodiversity, even the broadest global assessments will be most useful if they retain finer resolution. This figure, modified from Ref. [78], is a simplified version of that adopted by the Second Plenary of IPBES [84]; it retains all its essential elements but some of the detailed wording explaining each of the elements has been eliminated within the boxes to improve readability.

anthropocentric instrumental and relational values (see Values section below).

2. 'Anthropogenic assets' refers to built infrastructure, health facilities, knowledge (including ILK and technical or scientific knowledge, as well as formal

and nonformal education), technology (both physical objects and procedures), and financial assets, among others. *Anthropogenic assets* have been highlighted to emphasize that a good life is achieved by a co-production of benefits between nature and various