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IPBES and the Business and Biodiversity Assessment

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PROTEUS HORIZON SCAN WEBINARS

A series of webinars for Proteus Partners sharing information and insights into the latest trends and developments in biodiversity and ecosystem services policy, initiatives, data and tools.

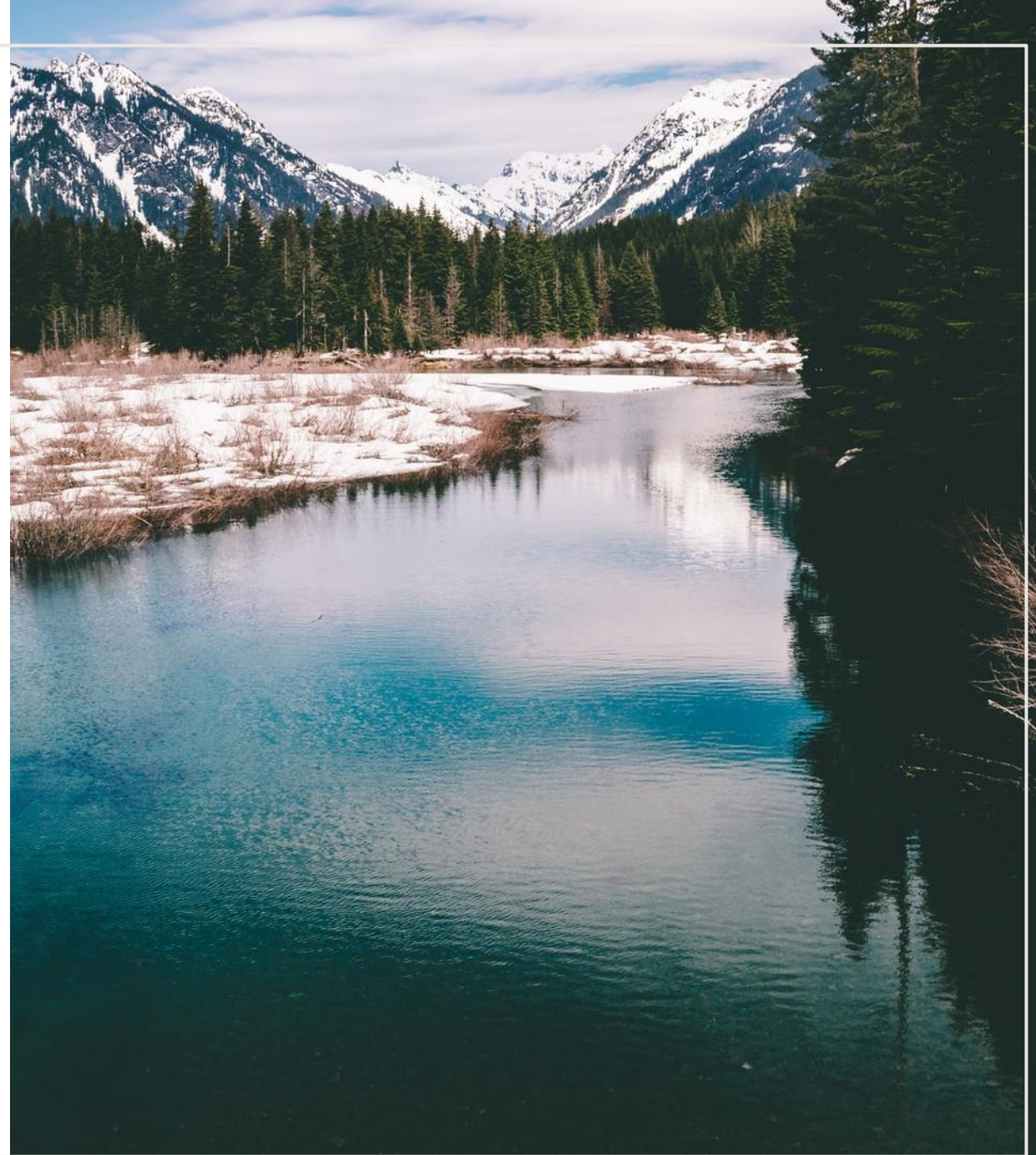


LOGISTICS

- **Scheduling:** AM & PM sessions
- **Rules:** Chatham House rule for discussion, but presentation is recorded
- **Topics:** Your suggestions are welcome!

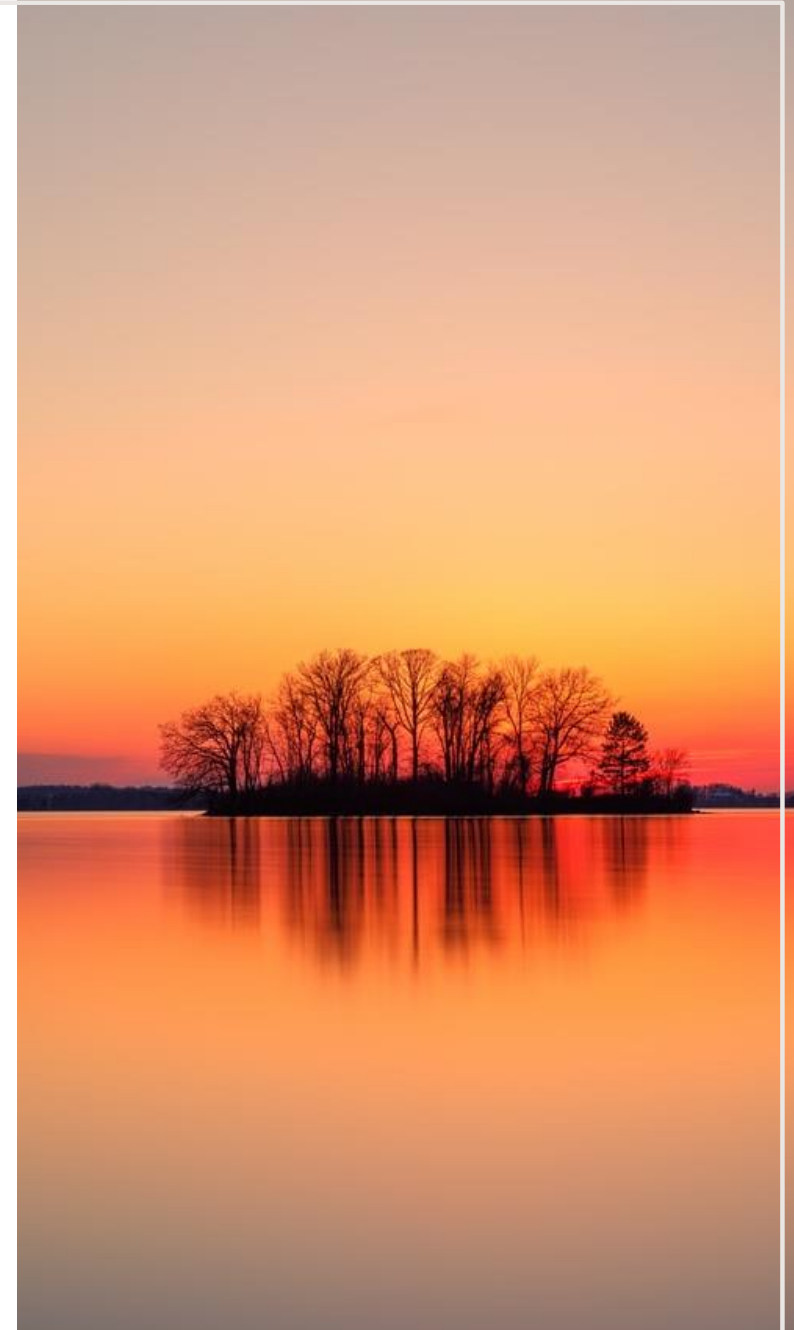


- What is IPBES
- The methodological assessment of the impact and dependence of business on biodiversity and nature's contribution to people
- How to get involved



WHAT IS IPBES?

- Is an independent intergovernmental body.
Currently 140 member governments
- Was established by governments in 2012 with the objective to: *strengthen the science-policy interface for biodiversity and ecosystem services for the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity, long-term human well-being and sustainable development*
- Operates under an agreed set of rules and operating principles which are intended to promote relevance, legitimacy and credibility



IPBES HAS FOUR FUNCTIONS

- Promoting and undertaking assessments
- Delivering policy support
- Carrying out and promoting capacity-building activities
- Facilitating access to knowledge and knowledge generation



IPBES STRUCTURES

Plenary

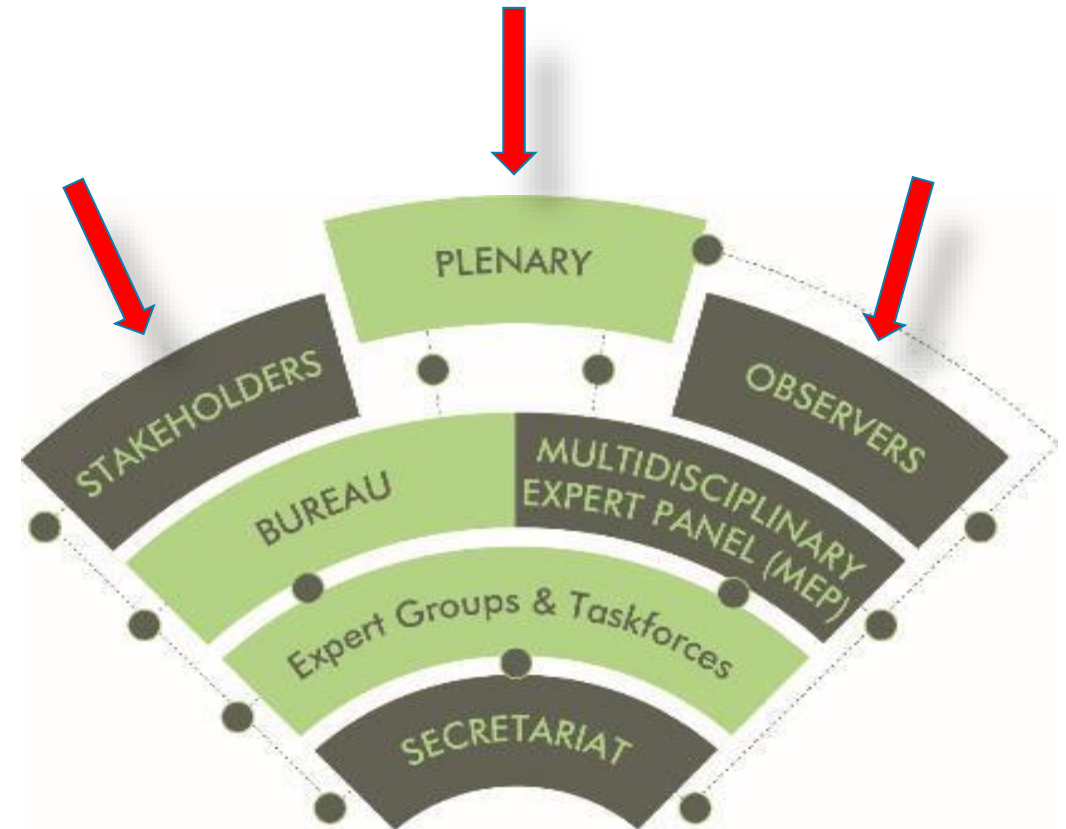
- Governing body of IPBES Member States
- Meets approximately once per year

Observers

- States not yet Members
- Convention secretariats
- UN Bodies
- Other relevant organisations

Stakeholders

- Contributors to IPBES deliverables
- Users of IPBES products



IPBES STRUCTURES

Bureau

- Oversees all administrative functions
- Comprises Chair, four vice-chairs and five additional officers (2 from each region)

Multidisciplinary Expert Panel (MEP)

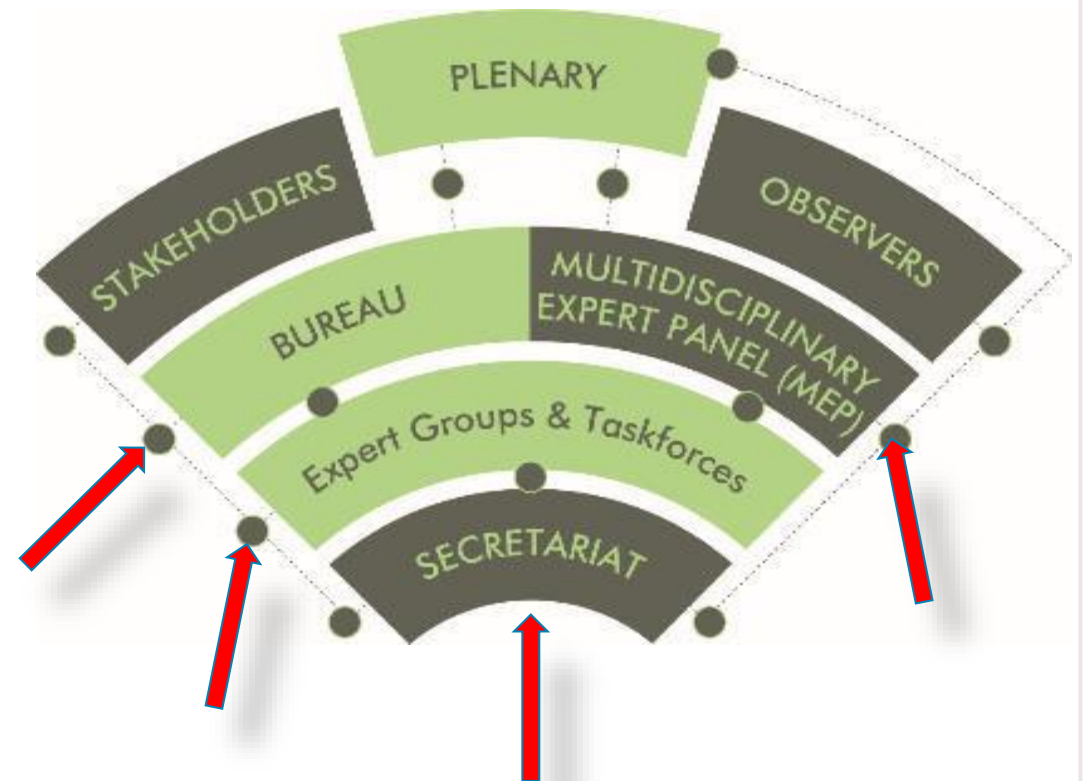
- Oversees all scientific & technical functions
- 5 experts from each of the 5 UN regions

Experts groups & taskforces

- Selected scientists & knowledge-holders
- Carrying out assessments & other deliverables

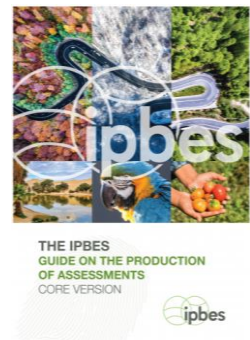
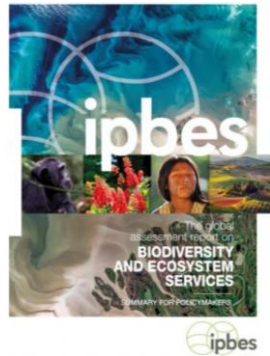
Secretariat (incl. Technical Support Units)

- Implements IPBES work & administration
- Supports Plenary, Bureau & MEP
- Led by the Executive Secretary

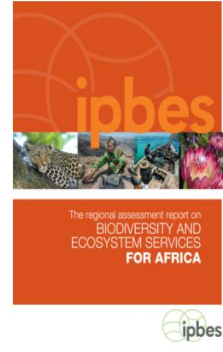
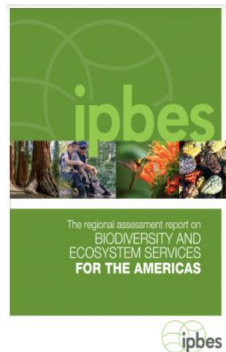
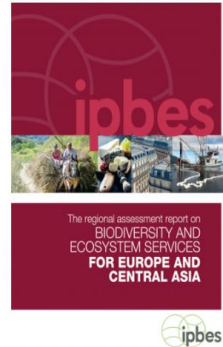
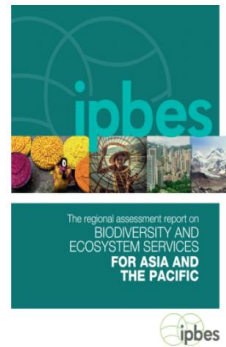


IPBES ASSESSMENTS SO FAR

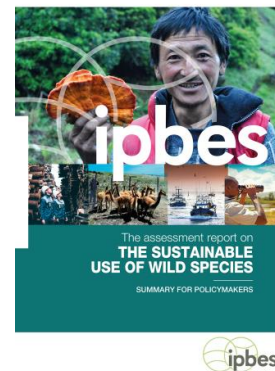
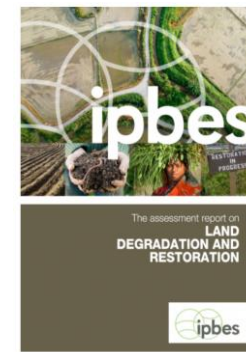
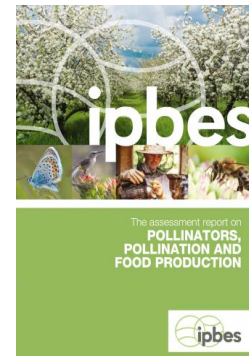
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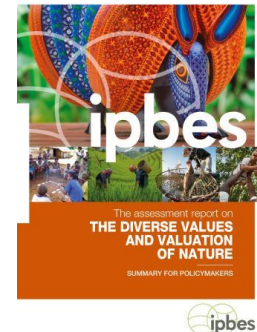
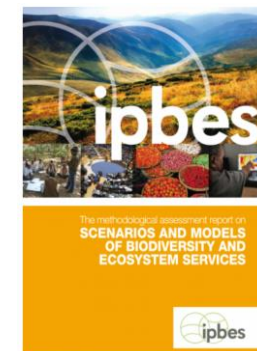
Regional



Thematic



Methodological



Assessments currently ongoing:

- Invasive alien species
- Nexus
- Transformative change

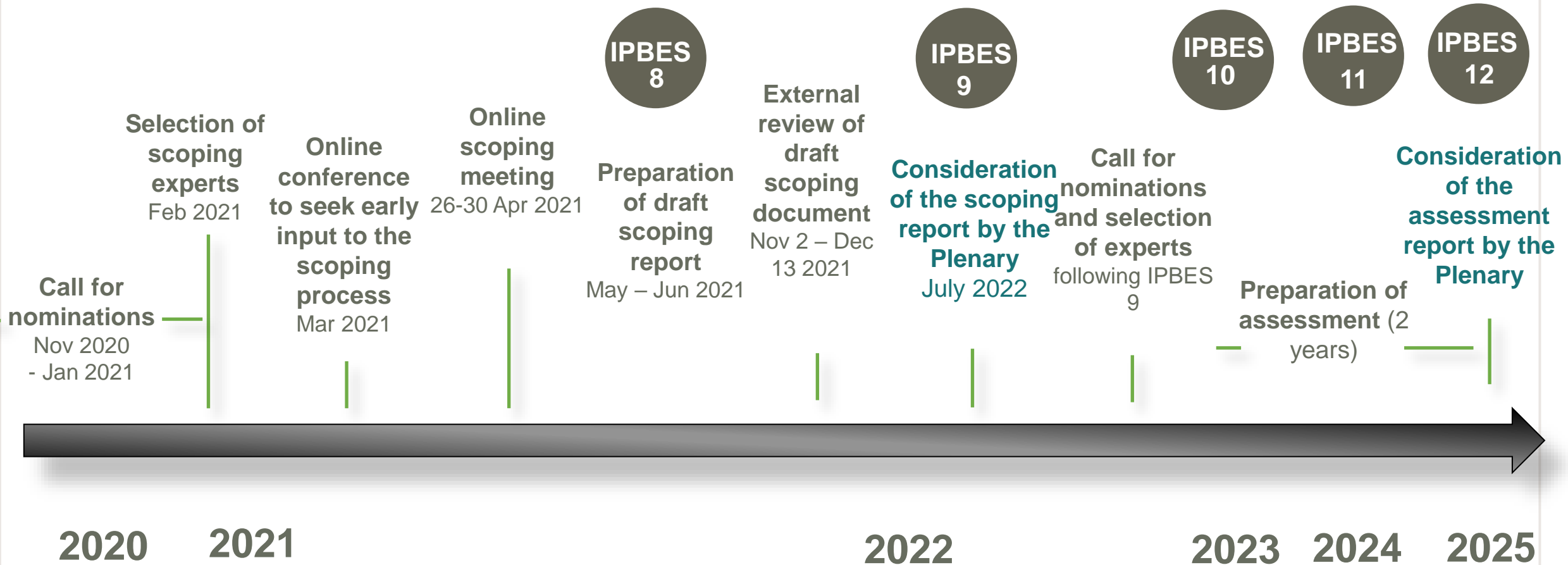
THE IPBES ASSESSMENT PROCESS





SCOPING REPORT FOR A
METHODOLOGICAL
ASSESSMENT OF THE IMPACT
AND DEPENDENCE OF BUSINESS
ON BIODIVERSITY AND
NATURE'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO
PEOPLE

PROCESS AND TIMELINE



OVERVIEW OF SCOPING REPORT – OVERALL OBJECTIVE

Strengthen the knowledge base to support efforts by business to achieve the 2050 Vision for Biodiversity and the Sustainable Development Goals and to inform relevant biodiversity-related multilateral environmental agreements, processes and efforts.

This report will focus on methods. It will not conduct a full assessment of business' impacts and dependencies on biodiversity and nature's contribution to people.

This assessment will:

- categorize the dependencies and impact of business on biodiversity and nature's contributions to people;
- assess methods for measuring such dependencies and impacts; and
- assess options for action by businesses and by others.

CHAPTER OUTLINE

Chapter 1: Setting the scene

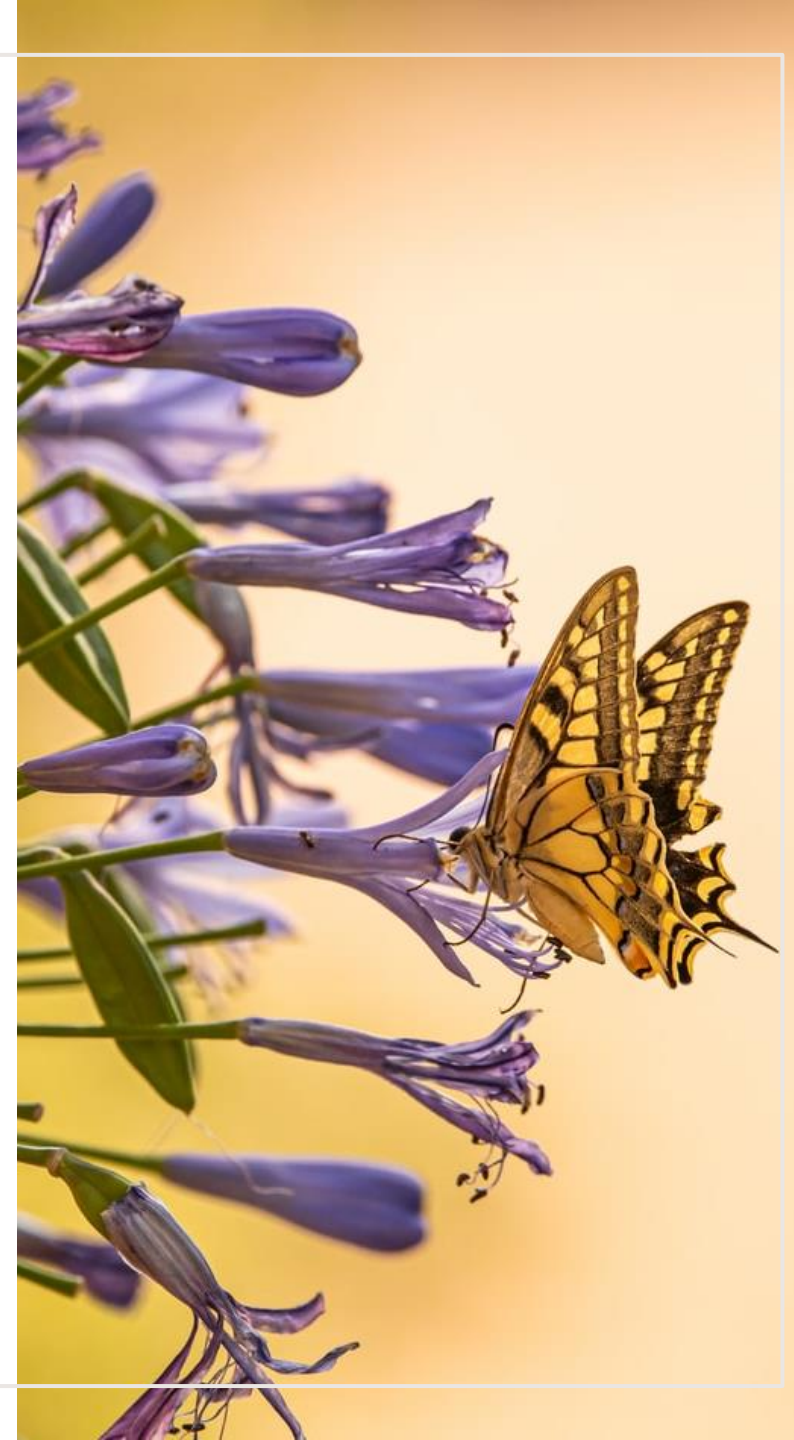
Chapter 2: How does business depend on biodiversity?

Chapter 3: How does business impact biodiversity?

Chapter 4: Approaches for measurement of business dependencies and impacts on biodiversity

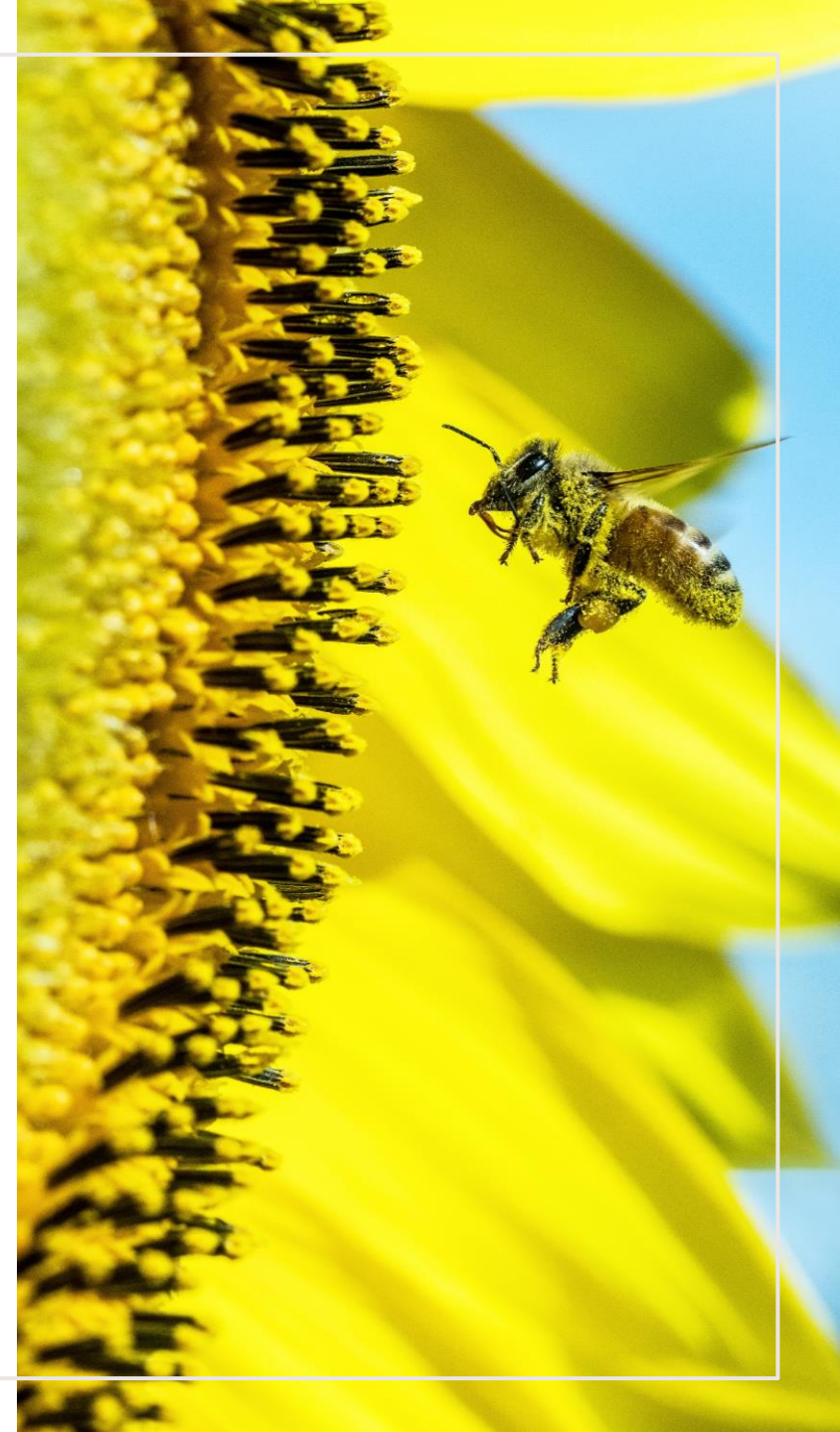
Chapter 5: Businesses as key actors of change: options for action by business

Chapter 6: Creating an enabling environment for business: options for action by Governments, the financial sector and civil society.



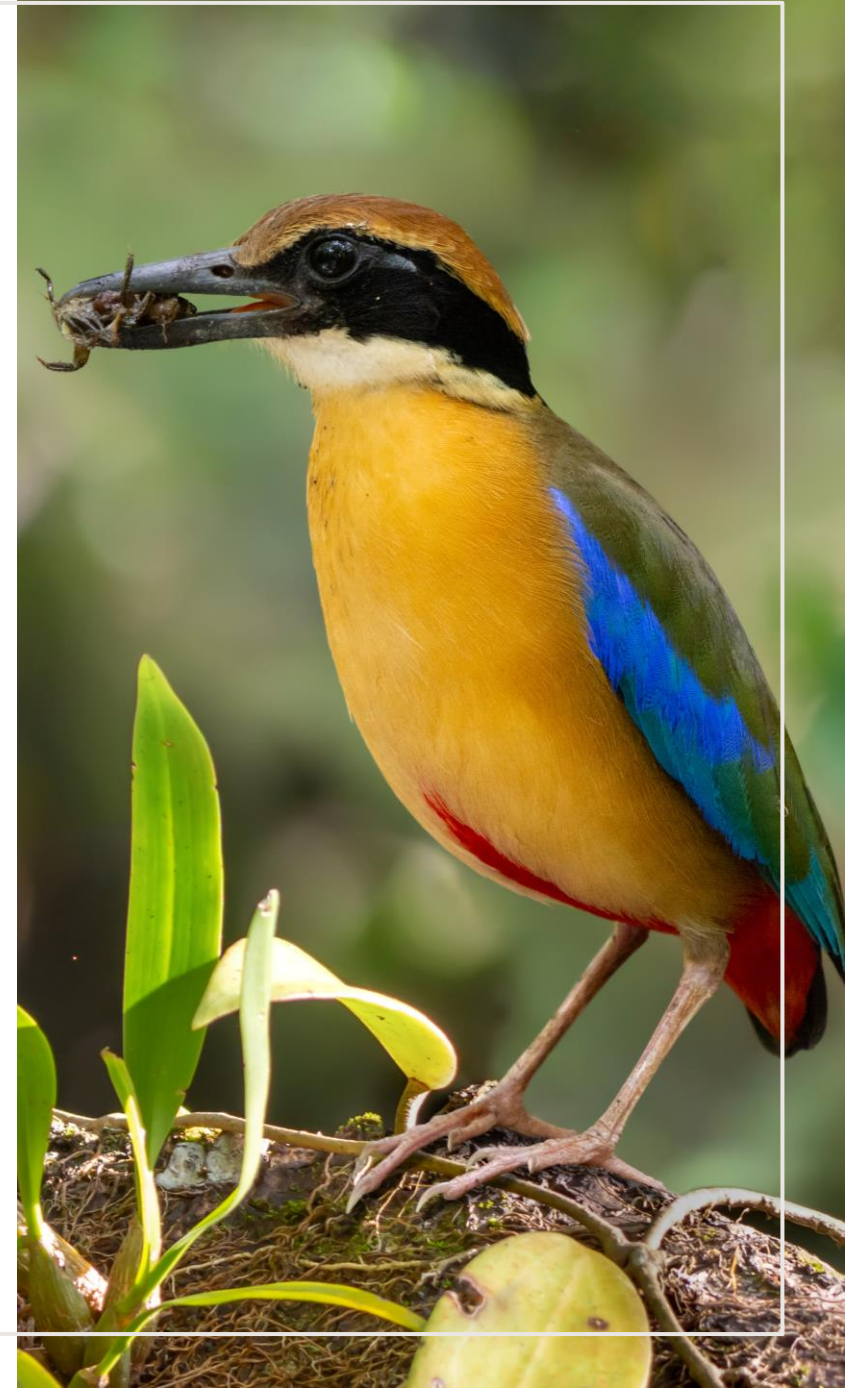
CHAPTER 1: SETTING THE SCENE

- Frames the assessment
- Present a typology of different business sectors.
- Frame the relationship of dependencies and impacts of business and biodiversity and nature's contributions to people
- Highlight key issues and provide definitions within the context of their use in the assessment



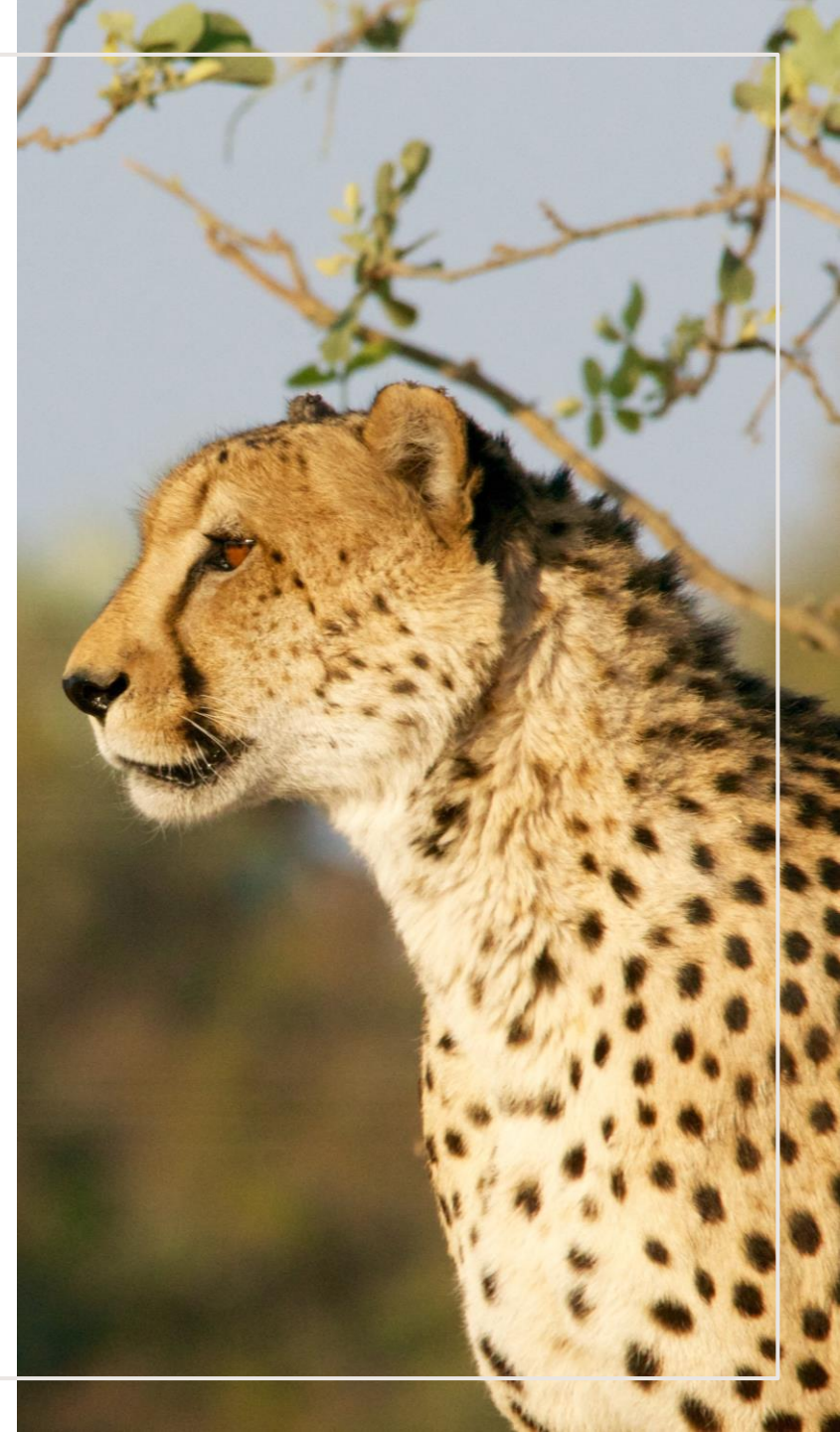
CHAPTER 2: HOW DOES BUSINESS DEPEND ON BIODIVERSITY?

- Describe ways businesses depend on biodiversity and nature's contributions to people
- Provide a typology of dependencies
- Set out concrete examples of both qualitative and quantitative dependencies
- Describe issues that arise when characterizing dependencies



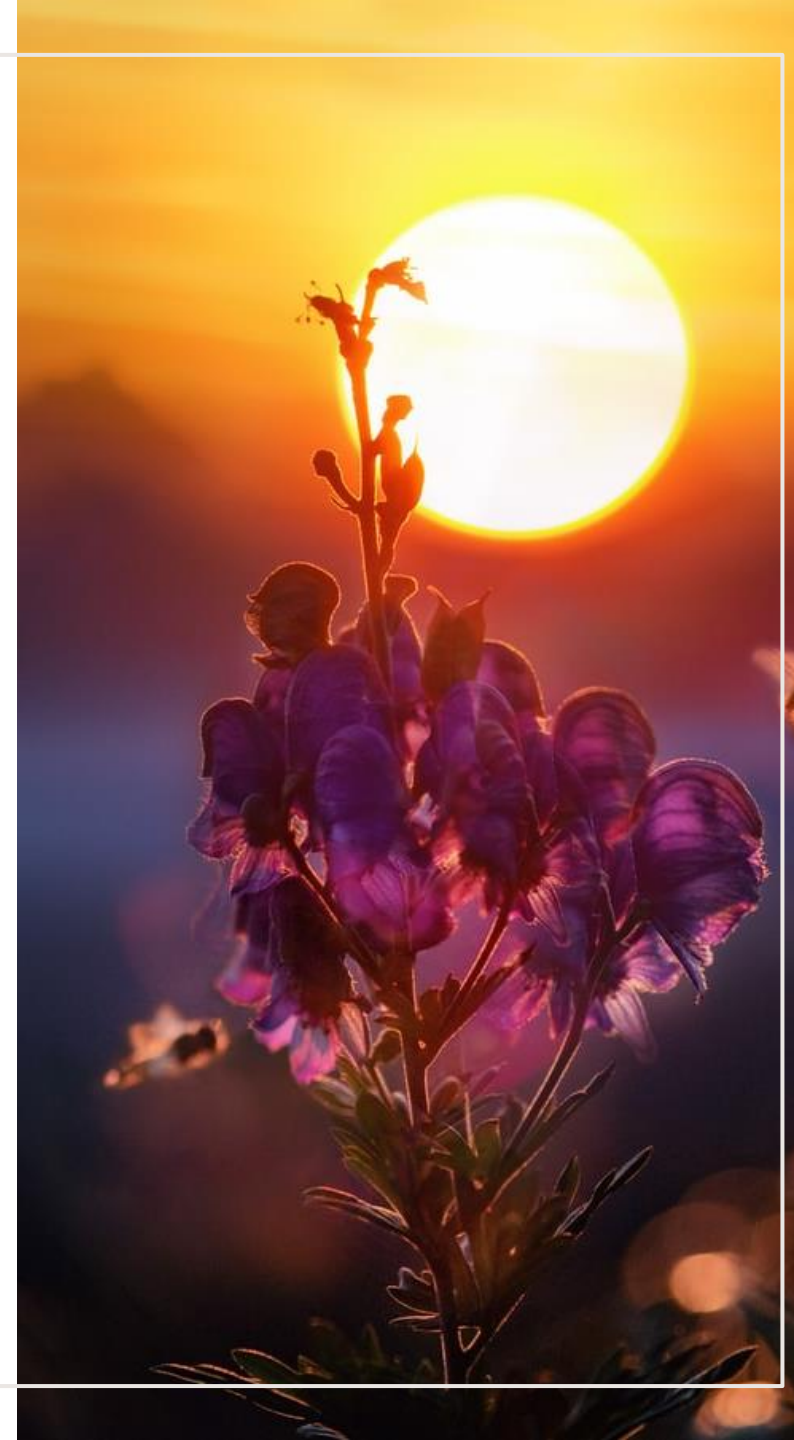
CHAPTER 3: HOW DOES BUSINESS IMPACT BIODIVERSITY?

- Describe existing methods and approaches for assessing business impacts
- Identify common features and differences including data requirements, uptake to date and implications for decision-makings
- Provide a typology of impacts
- Describe how impacts links to dependence, risk and opportunity and intersections with indigenous and local knowledge
- Describe pathways of impact and best estimates of business impact



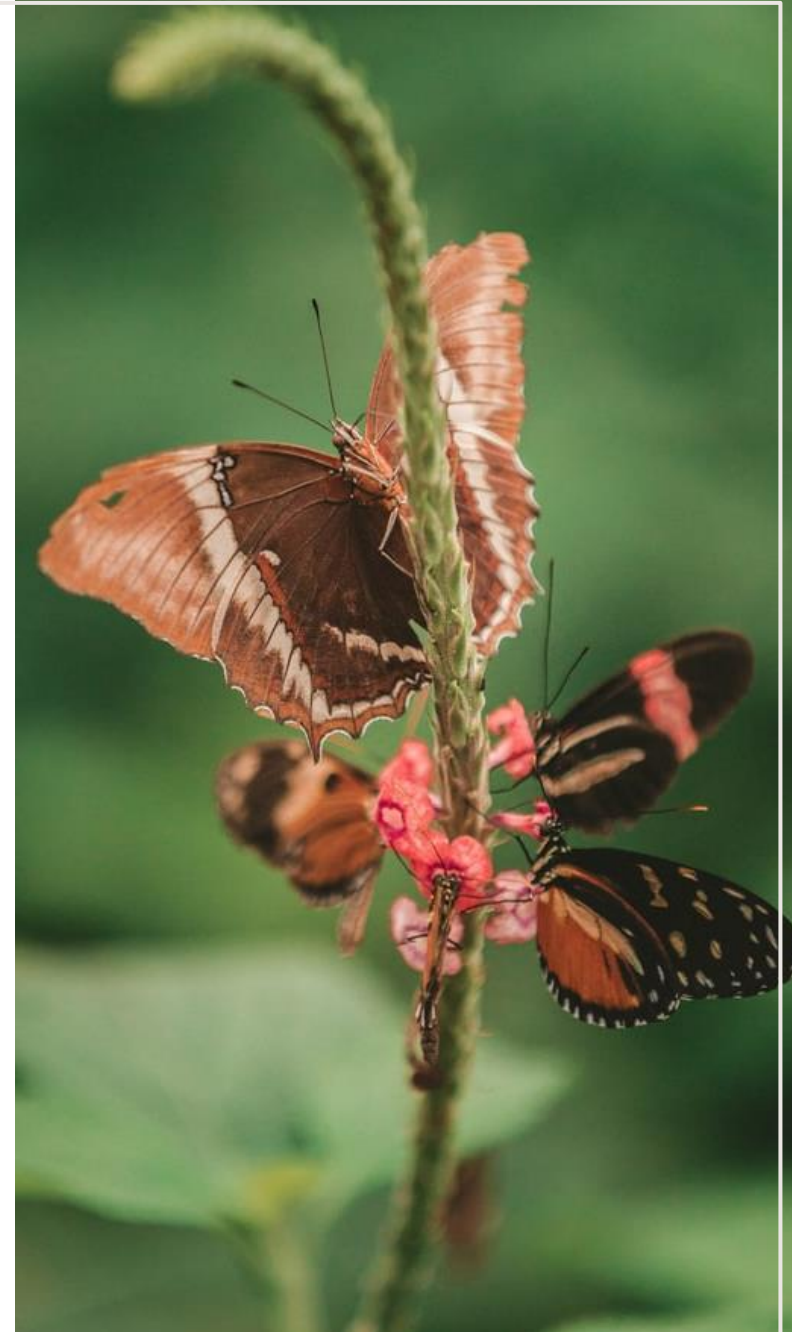
CHAPTER 4: APPROACHES FOR MEASUREMENT OF BUSINESS DEPENDENCIES AND IMPACTS ON BIODIVERSITY

- Assess approaches for measurement
- Provide an inventory of approaches for measurement, including their scientific robustness
- Identify gaps in approaches, including data
- Present a typology of approaches and need for common data sets
- Illustrate how different approaches are used to assess the contribution of business sectors to different multilateral environmental agreements



CHAPTER 5: BUSINESSES AS KEY ACTORS OF CHANGE: OPTIONS FOR ACTION BY BUSINESS

- Address the role and responsibility of businesses in transformative change
- Describe challenges and opportunities for action by businesses
- Discuss the influence of approaches to measurement on sustainable outcomes for biodiversity and nature's contributions to people
- Describe how approaches of measurement may be used to influence social norms, consumptions and production patterns and public policy
- Consider synergies and trade-offs between approaches
- Highlight key opportunities for businesses to improve performance



CHAPTER 6: CREATING AN ENABLING ENVIRONMENT FOR BUSINESS: OPTIONS FOR ACTION BY GOVERNMENTS, THE FINANCIAL SECTOR AND CIVIL SOCIETY

- Assess how Governments, the financial sector, civil society, and IPLCs may use the measures to promote and evaluate business performance
- Describe potential options for use of measures of dependences and impact
- Explore how the financial sector may use measures of dependence and impact to influence businesses
- Highlight how national Governments and international organizations can reform current policies or enact new policies to provide positive incentives to and reduce negative incentives





HOW TO GET INVOLVED

- Nomination of experts
 - Coordinating lead authors
 - Lead authors
 - Contributing lead authors
 - Review editors
 - Fellows
- Participation in expert peer review process (written comments and online events)
 - Chapters of the Technical report
 - Summary for Policy Makers
- Use the assessment findings
- Become an observer to IPBES/participate in Plenaries

HOW TO SUBMIT A NOMINATION

- Experts and person approving the nomination will need to register with IPBES
<https://ipbes.net/user/register>
- Experts will need to use a specific link in the call to fill in an application and upload the CV
<https://ipbes.net/application/business-and-biodiversity-assessment>
<https://ipbes.net/application/business-and-biodiversity/fellow>
- The nominating Government or organization (Nominator) indicated by the Nominee will receive an email with a link to the nomination form and will be invited to approve and submit the nominations in the web portal
- Once the nomination has been submitted a confirmation email will be received
- Some countries have specific processes and deadline
<https://www.ipbes.net/national-focal-points>)
- **Deadline : 1 November 2022**

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

- The Secretariat compiles the list of nominations (& associated information)
- The MEP then review all the nominations, they are discussed and selected
- Expert groups should reflect
 - the range of scientific, technical and socioeconomic views and expertise
 - geographical representation
 - the diversity of existing knowledge systems
 - gender balance
- All nominators and nominees are informed about the outcome of the selection process
- Final list of experts that accepted their mandate is made public on the IPBES website.





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