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First Global Consultation on:

Chapter 6: Ecosystem services concepts for accounting

Chapter 7: Accounting for ecosystem services in physical terms

Comments Form

Deadline for responses: 20 August 2020

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Questions related to Chapter 6

Question 1: Do you have comments on the concepts and definitions for ecosystem services, benefits and associated components of the ecosystem accounting framework?

The general framework of ecosystem accounting, each ecosystem asset supplies a set or bundle of ecosystem services. In this framing, ecosystem services are the contributions of ecosystems to benefits used in economic and **other human activity: The phrase other human activity sounds vague because human activity can be both economic and non economic. If that holds true then it will be repetition with the preceded economic. It is suggested to consider adding and `` other non-economic human activity**

Question 2. Do you have comments on the content and descriptions in the reference list of selected ecosystem services?

Reference list of selected ecosystem services is sufficient.

Question 3. Do you agree with the proposed treatments for selected ecosystem services described in Section 6.4 for biomass provisioning services, global climate regulation services, cultural services, water supply and abiotic flows?

Agree with the proposed.

Question 4. Do you have any other comments on Chapter 6?

No comment

Questions related to Chapter 7

Question 5. Do you have comments on the proposed recording approaches for ecosystem services supply and use tables described in section 7.2?

They are in line, with a minor correction; An ecosystem and species appreciation service under cultural services is repeated. If there is no reason for that, we suggest its deletion in Table 7.1: Ecosystem services supply and use account in physical terms (Physical units) – Use table

Question 6. Do you have any other comments on Chapter 7?

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