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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?

I do not have comments regarding the definitions, They were clear.

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

I just wanted to know that one ecosystem service that we have in Suriname is the Ecosystem eco tourism, where there are special interior and forest tours that benefit the local village people. Note this is different than the Recreation related services in Suriname where people to go swim that are easy to reach by car. This could be linked to Cultural services (pag 13/16).

A second service could be the transportation used to go the interior, not only the boots but also the small airplanes . This is different than just renting a boot (pag 21-6.75), it is a living of the boatmen.

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?

I agree with the proposed treatments

Remark: Decline in the condition of the ecosystems (pag 24) also watersupply
With mining in the case of Suriname, the use of Mercury and Cyanide are really bad for the water ecosystem, the rivers are polluted and also the fish, and create not only GHG and land degradation.

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

No other comments on Chapter 6, just one remark regarding the fact that in Suriname Data on quality for water and Soil is hard to collect. And the General Bureau of Statistics Suriname is not yet ready to do a SEEA on Ecosystems.

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?

Do not have any comments

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

Don't have any comments