

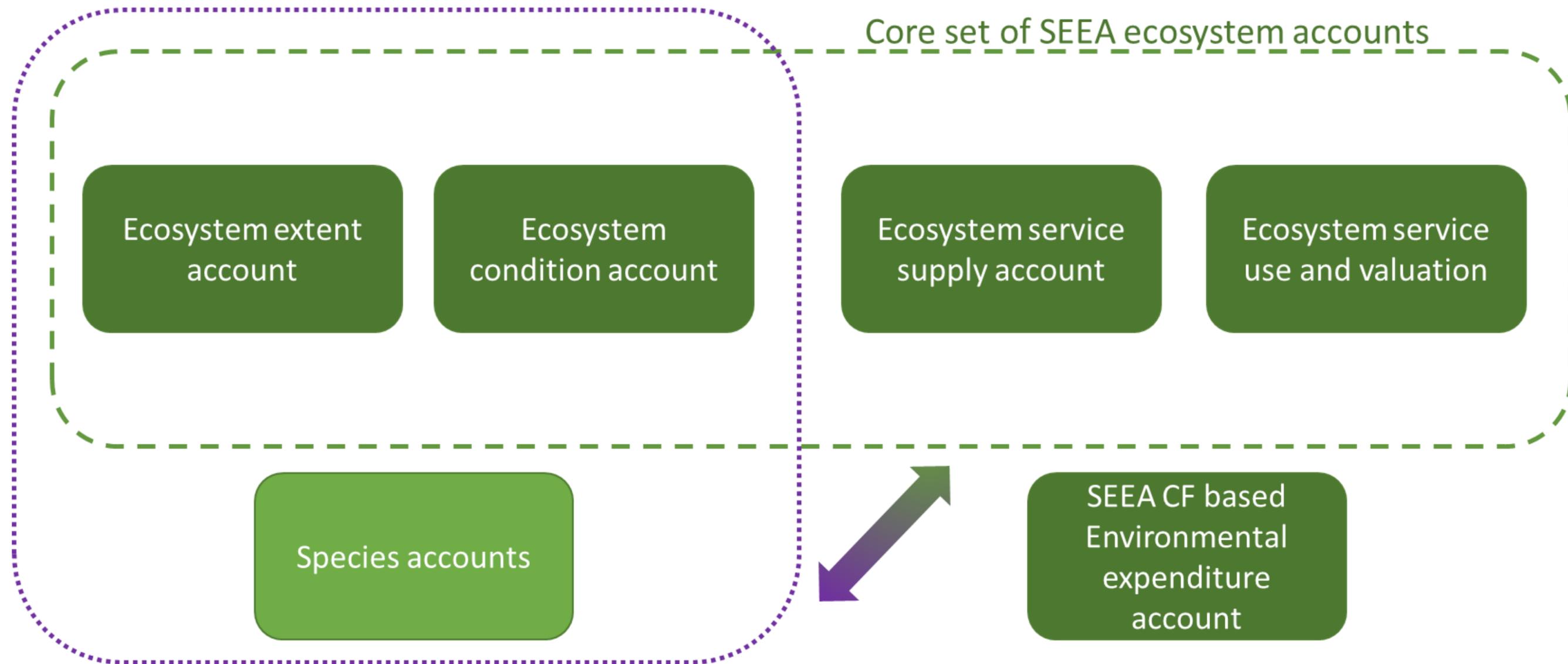
Protected Area Accounts: developing guidelines

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Why do protected area accounts – the Rationale

- PAs provide benefits to people and the economy, which are underrepresented in national accounts.
- Therefore PAs accounts can:
 - Provide a framework to organise the interactions between PAs and the economy
 - Reveal how the benefits from PAs are attributed to different sectors (e.g., tourism, water, etc.).
 - Reveal the non-market benefits from PAs
 - Mainstream the full range of benefits from PAs into policy and decision-making
 - Increase public awareness on the benefits of PAs
 - Reveal returns on ecological investment in PAs
 - Make transparent the trade-offs between biodiversity and economic objectives associated with PADD

What could a sub system of the SEEA look like for Protected Areas



Ecosystem extent and condition accounts and Species accounts can help us understand the ability of protected areas to supply ecosystem services

Elements of the draft outline

1. Introduction to protected area
2. Introduction to the SEEA
3. Why do protected area account
4. Aims of the guidance
5. Compilation of the accounts
6. Conclusions



Compiling the accounts

1. Specify user needs (policy uses, key users, information needs)
2. Design and build the accounts
 - a. Describe the type of institutional arrangements necessary
 - b. Present a subsystem of the SEEA incorporating the SEEA EEA accounts
 - c. Describe a set of accounts linked to scale.
 - i. Tier 1: Core accounts for individual PAs.
 - ii. Tier 2a: Core Accounts for National / Sub-National Aggregates of All PAs. To include statistics on total extent, services provides, species stocks
 - iii. Tier 2b: Supplementary tables for the PA Network. To include statistics on scale dependent parameters, such as connectivity, KBA coverage, representativeness, etc.
 - iv. Expenditure accounts for protected areas (by PA and at National Scale)

3. Presenting accounting structures

4. Collect and process data including

5. Analyse accounts and calculate indicators

6. Disseminate accounts

7. Evaluate accounts and associated outputs - Set out a process for engaging with account users to assess their fitness for purpose and improvements for future iterations

Next steps

- Draft guideline – December 2019
- Review of guidelines
- Testing of guidelines
- Finalisation of guidelines with case studies
- Guidelines released and available

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