

UNSD project on biodiversity indicators entitled "Monitoring Framework for the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework"

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The project

- Project duration: 2 years (2025-2026)
- Budget: EUR 1 million
- Funded by the European Union
- Project countries
 - > Colombia, Indonesia, Uganda
- In coordination:
 - > Basque Centre for Climate Change (BC3)
 - > Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)
 - > European Space Agency (ESA)
 - > Joint Research Centre (JRC)
 - > UN Environment Programme (UNEP)







Project objectives

- Overall objective: support countries to report on the SEEA-related indicators of the GBF Monitoring Framework by developing compilation guidelines and global tools and datasets for these indicators and testing in project countries
- The two main objectives of the project are to:
 - > develop, test and agree on the compilation guidelines for the two SEEA-related indicators while building capacity in the project countries for the compilation of ecosystem accounts; and
 - > build data solutions and global capacity on the methodology for the two indicators
- Focus of the project will be on the two SEEA EA-related headline indicators:
 - > A.2 "Extent of natural ecosystems"
 - > B.1 "Provision of ecosystem services"





Project activities

- Two expert meetings to discuss the compilation guidelines on the indicators
 - > First meeting planned in early 2026
- Technical assistance and capacity building activities to project countries with the aim to compile accounts and carry out testing of the compilation guidelines
 - > Country activities to begin when the project manager is on board (1 August)
- Development of tools to support countries in the compilation of data for reporting on the indicators and global datasets to support countries reporting
 - > In partnership with BC3 and ARIES for SEEA, focusing on:
 - Provisioning services: Grazed biomass provisioning
 - Regulating services: Global climate regulation services & Coastal protection services
 - Cultural services: Recreation-related services
- Organization of an in-person Forum of Experts on the SEEA Ecosystem Accounting
- Dissemination of project outcomes though virtual awareness-raising and training workshops





Project management

- Action Steering Committee (ASC) to oversee and coordinate the activities in the project
- Project manager will start on 1 August
- Consultant to work on the compilation guidelines has been recruited
- Area B2 (SEEA EA Technical Committee) to provide technical support for the development of the guidelines
 - > Establishment (revitalization) of a Task Team on the two indicators
- Close collaboration with other projects and initiatives (e.g., World Ecosystem Extent Dynamics (WEED), Global Ecosystem Atlas, etc.)





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