



Virtual Expert Forum on SEEA EEA The IPBES Values Assessment

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1. What is IPBES?



What is IPBES?

Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services

Objective:

To provide policy relevant knowledge on biodiversity and ecosystem services to inform decision making processes.

Some facts:

- Established April 2012, Panama
- 137 Members
- Secretariat hosted in Bonn



IPBES mandate

The Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) is **an independent intergovernmental body**, established by member States in 2012.

The objective of IPBES is **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.



2. IPBES Values Assessment

What is an IPBES assessment?

An **IPBES assessment** is a critical evaluation of the state of knowledge by independent experts interacting with government representatives and other stakeholders in a stepwise process to ensure legitimacy, relevance and credibility.

- Gender and regional balance
- Thematic and methodological assessments

Who are the authors?

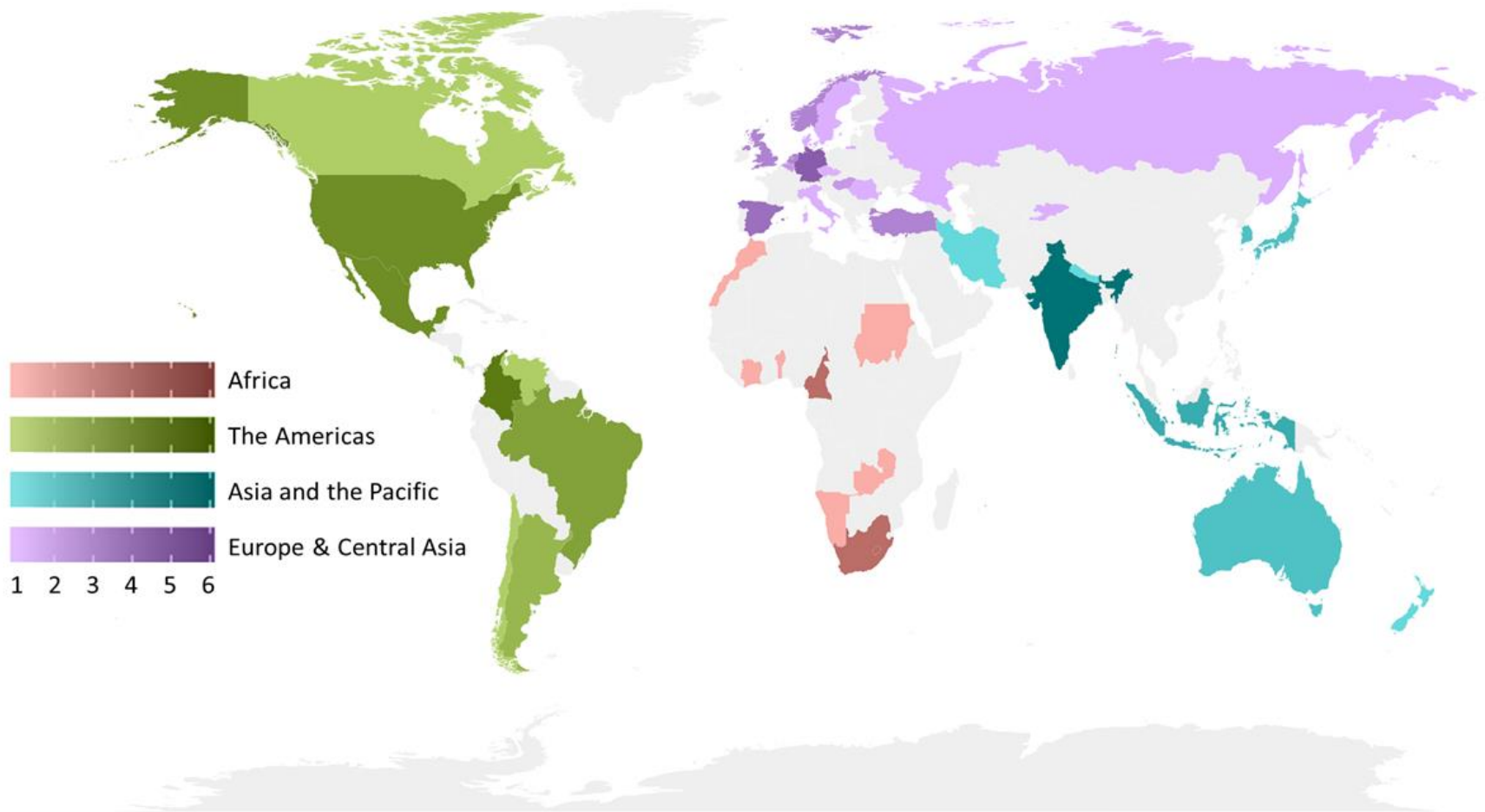
- 86 expert authors, 11 review editors and 100+ contributing authors
 - 50+ spoken languages
 - 51% female experts
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- A word cloud of key themes from the report, including: transdisciplinarity, participatory, valuation, education, Human-nature, Indigenous, well-being, and Values.

Balance in expertise from
social and natural sciences
(see wordcloud of expert's
reported expertise) =>



Regional balance

Nationality of experts:



Scope of the Values Assessment

The objectives of the proposed methodological assessment are to assess:

- (a) the diverse conceptualization of values of nature and its benefits, including biodiversity and ecosystem services (provisioning, regulating and cultural) consistent with the Platform's conceptual framework;
- (b) the diverse valuation methodologies and approaches;
- (c) the different approaches that acknowledge, bridge and integrate the diverse values and valuation methodologies for policy and decision-making support; and,
- (d) knowledge and data gaps and uncertainties.



Chapter structure

Chapter 1. Introducing the Values Assessment

Chapter 2. Conceptualizing the diverse values of nature and their contributions to people

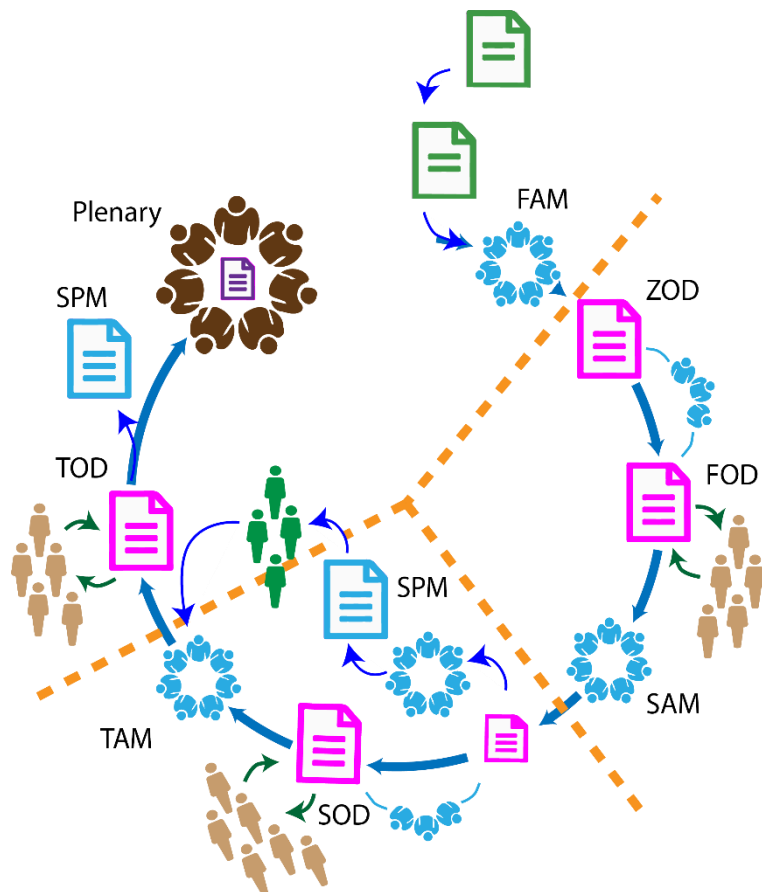
Chapter 3. Assessment for Valuation Methods

Chapter 4. Values and decision-making

Chapter 5. Incorporating multiple values of nature and nature's contributions to people for just and sustainable futures

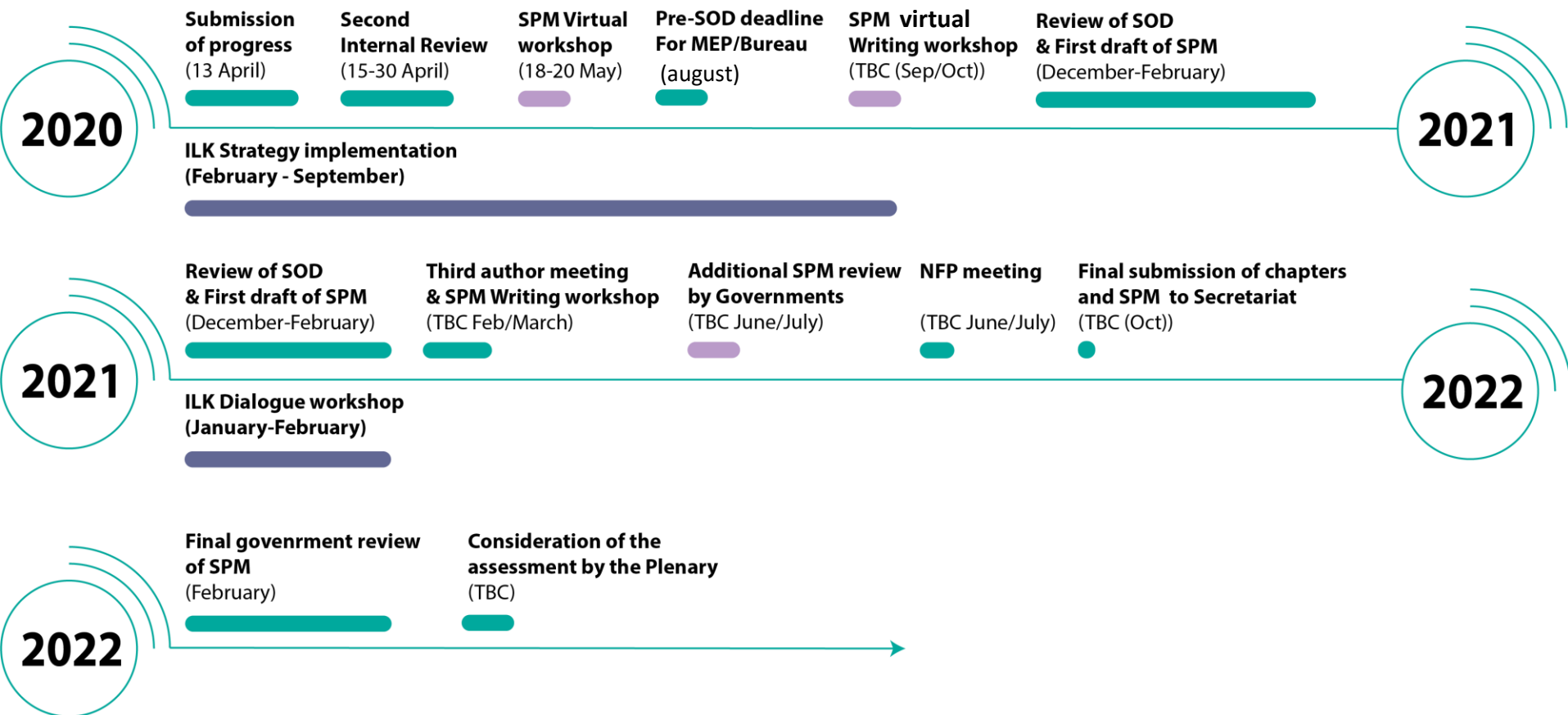
Chapter 6. Policy options and capacity development to operationalize the inclusion of multiple (plural) values of nature in decision-making

Original timeline of the Values Assessment



2018	1 st Authors e-meetings
	First Authors Meeting
2019	Zero Order Draft (ZOD)
	Internal review
	First Order Draft (FOD)
	First External Review (Experts)
	Second Author Meeting
2020	Second Internal Review
	SPM Workshop
	Second Order Draft
	Second External Review (Governments and Experts)
2021	Third Author Meeting
	Additional SPM Review by Governments
	Third Order Draft
	SPM Final Draft
2022	Consideration by the Plenary

Updated timeline of the Values Assessment





Thank you!