System of Environmental Economic Accounting

Regional Training Workshop on the SEEA Experimental Ecosystem Accounting for Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean

21-23 November 2018
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Agenda

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21 November 2018 (Wednesday)

9.00-9.30	**Opening and welcome** • *Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics* • *Daniel Van Assche, European Union* • *Bram Edens, United Nations Statistics Division* • *Rayen Quiroga, Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean* • *Regina Cavini, United Nations Environment Programme*
9.30-10.30	**Session 1: Ecosystem accounting overview** Review of key concepts, key principles, classifications and key accounts *UNSD*
10.30-11.00	*Coffee break*
11.00-11.45	**Session 2: State of the art of accounts in LAC countries** Developments and progress in environment-economic accounting in LAC countries, Regional Cooperation Program *ECLAC*
11.45-12.30	**Session 3: Land cover and ecosystem extent** Ecosystem extent account; in depth review of concepts, classifications and the Canadian experience (*Mark Henry, Stats Canada*) The Brazilian land cover / use accounts (*Fernando Dias, IBGE*)
12.30-14.00	*Lunch*
14.00-15.30	**Session 4: Ecosystem services** Definition and classification of ecosystem services; supply and use of ecosystem services. *UNSD and UNEP*
15.30-16.00	*Coffee break*
16.00-17.30	**Session 5: Overview of key biophysical ES models and techniques** *Bethanna Jackson, University of Wellington*

9.00-10.15	**Session 6a: GIS techniques for environment statistics and accounts** Instruction / explanation of data sources, followed by individual computer-based exercises (2 people per laptop) *Bethanna Jackson, Mark Henry and UNSD*
10.15-10.45	*Coffee break*
10.45-12.00	**Session 6b: GIS techniques for environment statistics and accounts (continued)** *Bethanna Jackson, Mark Henry and UNSD*
12.30-14.00	*Lunch*
14.00-15.00	**Session 7: Ecosystem condition** Ecosystem condition; in depth review of concepts and key issues (*UNSD*) Mexican experience with ecosystem condition account (*Cesar Cabrera, INEGI*) Water quality indicators in Canada *(Mark Henry, Stats Canada)*
15.00-15.30	*Coffee break*
15.30-17.30	**Session 8: Ecosystem accounting and policy** The objective of this session is to discuss opportunities for mainstreaming ecosystem accounts in decision-making (both in public as well as private sector) by sharing best practices. This session will provide participants with a tool box that would allow them to initiate the discussion on the policy relevance of ecosystem accounting in their countries. The session outline is as follows: • Presentation giving an overview of key process steps (e.g. stakeholder consultation meetings; setting up interagency committee; developing a national strategy / plan; funding possibilities etc.) (15 min); • Short presentations by five selected countries on work done so far / sharing best practices, 50 min (10 min per country); • Break out in groups / discussions (40 min) *UNEP & ECLAC*

23 November 2018 (Friday)

9.00-10.45	**Session 9: Valuation of ecosystem services** Key concepts and country examples *UNEP*
10.45-11.15	*Coffee break*
11.15-12.30	**Session 10: Thematic ecosystem accounts: biodiversity** *UNSD*
12.30-14.00	*Lunch*
14.00-16.00	**Session 11: Biophysical modelling 2** Practical exercise with data *Bethanna Jackson, Mark Henry and UNSD*
16.00-16.30	*Coffee break*
16.30-17.00	**Session 12: Discussion on lessons learned and next steps** Tour de table with focus on next steps participants could / will take as well as required support; sharing of lessors learned from countries that have already started working on ecosystem accounting *UNSD*
17.00-17.15	**Closing**