Session 1: Setting the scene

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Integration for Sustainable Development

- Environmental policy must consider interconnected natural systems
  - E.g. Food, energy, water and climate change nexus
- Policies should recognize the links;
  - Between different natural systems → Integrated environmental information
  - Between the economy and environment → Integrated environmental-economic information
SEEA as supporting framework
The System of Environmental-Economic Accounting (SEEA)

The SEEA is the statistical framework to measure the environment and its interactions with economy.

• The **SEEA Central Framework** was adopted as an international statistical standard by the UN Statistical Commission in 2012.

• The **SEEA Experimental Ecosystem Accounting** complements the Central Framework and represents international efforts toward coherent ecosystem accounting.

• **SEEA Applications and Extensions** helps compilers and users of SEEA accounts understand how the accounts can be used in decision making, policy review and formulation, analysis and research.
SEEA EEA – Spatially explicit

ECOSYSTEM ACCOUNTING

- Forests
  - e.g. flood control
- Rivers
  - e.g. water purification
- Coasts
  - e.g. recreation

Can be applied at any scale
Revision of the SEEA EEA

• Inclusive and transparent process
• Opportunity for engagement with ILM community and other communities to ensure alignment

Objectives
• Elevate the SEEA EEA to an internationally agreed framework for ecosystem accounting in March 2021 adopted by the UN Statistical Commissions
• Prominent place in the Post 2020 biodiversity framework to be adopted at the COP 15 in China
• Adoption of the motion at the IUCN World Congress
• ILM and SEEA?
What are the expectations from the Policy Forum

- How to empower NCA to inform decision making at national level, especially in the context of integrated landscape management (ILM)?
- Identify policy applications that NCA can support at the national level, especially for ILM.
- How to mobilize communities and resources to increase uptake of NCA on national policy making level?
- Experience sharing on best practices and successful uses of NCA for policy making, especially ILM.
- Generate ideas on what support is needed in countries to successfully implement NCA in their national contexts?
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