

How can a country engage fully in the IPBES process: insights from science and policy stakeholders in Hungary

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First steps for a policy-maker

Inform and convince the leaders within the Ministry

- How is it linked to regional/international commitments (i.e. CBD)
- How can the work of IPBES contribute to national strategies, project etc.

Call for experts

- provide background information
- distribute it widely

Keep in touch

- Forward information
- Personal meetings

MEP members:

- András Báldi 2013-2015
- György Pataky 2013-2015; 2015-2017
- Katalin Török 2017-

Represent the country:

- Different meetings for experts
- Representatives of government in the Plenary

How it started

- Research societies (ECCB, SER, etc.)
- Researchers participating in science-policy projects
 - BioStrat, Biodiversity Knowledge...
 - LTSER: Long-Term Socio-Ecological Research Network
 - Multidisciplinary research (socio-ecological, participatory, stakeholder involvement)
- Active collaboration: ecologists and the Ministry
- Call for MEP members:
 - 2 Hungarian MEP members for the 1st mandate, 1 in the 2nd period (1 HU re-elected after resignation)

Spreading the idea for IPBES

- Motivating involvement from the Ministry
- MEP members: ambassadors of IPBES
- In the 1st years interest low in the region (Eastern Europe)
- Participation in designing the 1st Work Programme
- MEP members very active in recruting other scientists
- Involving PhD studies

Participation in drafting the Assessments Coordinating Lead Authors (CLAs)

Deliverable	Name
2/b: Regional/subregional assessments on biodiversity and ecosystem services	Zlinszky, J
3a: Assessment on pollinators, pollination and food production	Kovács-Hostyánszki, A.
3(b)(i): Thematic assessment on land degradation and restoration	Kertész, Á
3d: Policy tools and methodologies for regarding the diverse conceptualization of values of biodiversity	Kelemen, E
2c: Global Assessment	Molnár, Zs

Lead authors

Deliverable	Name
2(b): Regional/subregional assessments on biodiversity and ecosystem services	Báldi A, Zlinszky A, Lengyel Sz, Török P
3c: Policy tools and methodologies for scenario analysis and modelling of biodiversity	Benedek Zs
4c: Guide on and catalogue of policy support tools and methodologies	Podmaniczky L
4e: Reviews of the effectiveness of guidance, procedures, methods and approaches of the Platform	Pataki Gy
2c: Global Assessment	Czúcz B

Experts

Deliverable	Name
1c: Indigenous and local knowledge systems	Varga A, Kiss J, Ulicsni V
Stakeholder engagement strategy (IPBES/3/16)	Mándics I, Krasznai Kovács E

Task Force Members

Deliverable	Name
1a and 1b: Capacity building to implement the work programme	Bela Gy
1c: Indigenous and local knowledge systems	Molnár Zs
1d: Generation, access and management of knowledge and data, together with Deliverable 4a: Catalogue of relevant assessments and Deliverable 4b: Information and data management plan	Báldi A, Horváth F

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Deliverable	Name
3(b)(i): Thematic assessment	Török K
on land degradation and	
restoration	

What is necessary for IPBES involvement?

- Commitment from the member state (usually ministry level)
- Positive mind set for the science-policy interface
 - Move out of the Ivory Tower
- Multidisciplinary thinking
- Supporting director at research institution (voluntary work at the expense of research)

Thanks for your attention

