

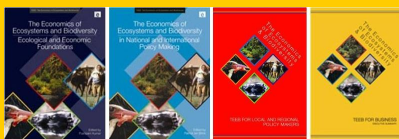


TEEBrief

About TEEB

The Economics of Ecosystems and Biodiversity (TEEB) is a global initiative focused on drawing attention to the economic benefits of biodiversity, highlighting the growing cost of biodiversity loss and ecosystem degradation and drawing together expertise from the fields of ecosystem science, economics and development policy to support the mainstreaming of biodiversity and ecosystem considerations in policy making.

TEEB Study Reports



TEEB has produced four principal reports and a synthesis report aimed at various stakeholders including national decision-makers, local and regional policy-makers and businesses.

Several other publications on thematic topics can also be found on the [website](#).

Highlights and news

Launch of TEEB scoping study for Georgia

The TEEB Scoping Study for Georgia, a joint effort of the Georgian Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection, UNEP and WWF-Caucasus, was launched on 1 October in the presence of the Vice Prime-Minister and Minister of Economy and Sustainable Development, the Minister of Environment and Natural Resources Protection, the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Agriculture, the Minister of Regional Development and Infrastructure as well as the Deputy Minister of Energy. [Read more](#)

Gulbenkian Oceans Initiative launched

The Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation launched its Ocean Initiative on 27 September to increase public and political understanding of marine and coastal ecosystems. Pavan Sukhdev is to Chair the Advisory Board. [Read more on TEEB for Oceans & Coasts.](#)

Selected articles, publications & network news

Realising nature's value: Final report of the Ecosystem Markets Task Force

This policy document, issued in September, is the government's response to the independent business-led Ecosystem Markets Task Force, which was set up "to review the opportunities for UK business from expanding green goods, services, products, investment vehicles and markets which value and protect nature's services. [Read more.](#)

Guide to multi-benefit cohesion policy investments in nature and green infrastructure

This new guide produced by the Institute for European Environmental Policy (IEEP) and partners, published in September, presents examples, tools and approaches for stakeholders interested in furthering the Cohesion Policy objectives and seeing how working with nature can help achieve these objectives. [Read more](#)

Urbanization, biodiversity and ecosystem services: challenges and opportunities

This book, by Thomas Elmqvist et al (October, 2013), attempts to reconcile human society and biodiversity by proposing to create better cities which integrate more comprehensively the ecosystems



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Values, payments and institutions for ecosystem management

This publication Pushpam et al, (November 2013) explores the uncertainty surrounding the impacts of decisions made to manage ecosystem services worldwide. With a strong policy focus, the contributors synthesise the scientific approaches to PES, valuation, trade-offs, equity and the institutional requirements to operationalize a credible concept of economic value. [Read more](#)

Talks on Aichi Biodiversity Targets

The first series of talks on the Aichi Biodiversity Targets "20/20 Talks: 20 Presentations on 20 Targets", held in the margins of CBD COP-11 are now available [here](#).

Focus on water & wetlands

Second training workshop on mainstreaming the values of water & wetlands

Plans are underway to organize the second training workshop on water and wetlands to take place in Kampala, Uganda 25 to 27 November. This training workshop is a follow-up to the first training workshop held 31 August in Bali Indonesia, which drew from the TEEB for Water & Wetlands report and was held during the 6th Annual Ecosystem Services Partnership Conference.

Sharing notes on wise use of wetlands in Africa

A series of interviews with experts on wetland management in Africa gives insights on how research, policy and capacity building are contributing to the wise use of wetlands and what needs to be done to further protect them across the region. The interviewees were gathered at the "Wetlands: Wise Use, Smart Plans" Forum, held in Kigali, Rwanda from 8 to 13 July. [Read more](#)

Budapest Water Summit

Budapest, Hungary, 8-11 October 2013

Upcoming events

Call for abstracts for the International Conference on Policy mixes in environmental and conservation policies.

Closing dates 18 October 2013

World Forum on Natural Capital **Registration open**

Edinburg, UK 21-22 November

5th World conference on Ecological Restoration

Madison, Wisconsin, USA, 6-11 October

Seventeenth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice

Montreal Canada, 14-18 October

UNEP FI, Sustainable Finance Week

Beijing, China, 10-11 November

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