



29 September 2023

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Notification: Call for nominations for scoping experts for the second global assessment of biodiversity and ecosystem services

Dear IPBES members, observers and other interested stakeholders,

The IPBES Plenary, in decision IPBES-10/1, approved a scoping process for a second global assessment of biodiversity and ecosystem services.

The second global assessment will be broadly similar in scope to the first global assessment while building on it to avoid repetition or unnecessary duplication.

For more detailed information, please see the initial scoping report set out in annex II of document IPBES/10/10 (available [here](#)).

In accordance with decision IPBES-10/1 and the procedures for the preparation of IPBES deliverables, the Multidisciplinary Expert Panel herewith invites Governments and other relevant stakeholders **to nominate experts to assist with the scoping of this assessment.**

The scoping process will be conducted in line with the procedures for IPBES deliverables set out in decision IPBES-3/3, annex I (available [here](#)) and based on the initial scoping report.

Nominated experts should have expertise relevant to a global assessment of biodiversity and ecosystem services in one or more disciplines within natural science, social science or humanities. IPBES is, in particular, seeking experts with an interdisciplinary background with experience working at various scales (e.g., global, regional, subregional, national, and ecosystem-level scales). Governments and organizations nominating experts are therefore encouraged to promote this multidisciplinary approach, which is fundamental to the success of IPBES. IPBES is also looking for experts on Indigenous and local knowledge, for policy experts and for practitioners in a relevant field. Governments and relevant stakeholders are invited to ensure gender balance in their nominations.

All nominated experts (Nominees) need to be available to attend the scoping meeting that is part of the scoping process, tentatively scheduled for March 2024.

All Governments and relevant organizations or institutions are encouraged to submit nominations. Organizations or institutions wishing to nominate are not required to have the status of an observer to the Plenary of IPBES to make a nomination. Please help us to disseminate this call for nominations of experts widely.

Please follow the below procedure for nomination:

- Nominees are invited to complete the application form and attach their curriculum vitae through the dedicated web portal at <https://www.ipbes.net/application/second-global-assessment-scoping-experts> (to access this page you will need to login with your IPBES website log in credentials. Nominees not yet registered on the IPBES website will need to do so at <https://ipbes.net/user/register>). Please note that the nomination form is in English only and applications should be submitted in English, as the assessment process will be conducted in English;
- The nominating government or organization (Nominator) indicated by the Nominee will receive an email with a link to the nomination form and will be invited to approve and submit the nominations in the web portal;
- Nominators and Nominees will receive confirmation via email once the nomination has been submitted.

Experts wishing to be nominated by a Government are encouraged to contact their IPBES National Focal Point (<https://www.ipbes.net/national-focal-points>) regarding any country specific processes or deadlines and are requested to fill out their application form by **12 November 2023**.

Experts that are selected for a role within an IPBES assessment accept the relevant conditions for the assessment, including that the time contributed to IPBES is committed on a pro-bono basis. Experts from developing countries will receive support to attend the scoping meeting and possibly other relevant meetings. Experts from developed countries are to secure their own funding to participate in the meeting.

Nominators (Governments or organizations) should submit the nominations of all Nominees, which they would like to support, before **19 November 2023**. Early nominations ahead of this deadline are encouraged.

I thank you in advance for your nominations and your continued support to IPBES.

Yours sincerely,



Dr Anne Larigauderie | Executive Secretary
Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES)



29 September 2023

EM/2023/36

Notification: Call for nominations for experts for the methodological assessment on monitoring biodiversity and nature's contributions to people assessment

Dear IPBES members, observers and other interested stakeholders,

The IPBES Plenary, in decision IPBES/10/1, approved the undertaking of the methodological assessment on monitoring biodiversity and nature's contributions to people ("monitoring assessment").

The objective of the monitoring assessment is to support national and global efforts to (a) monitor biodiversity, nature's contributions to people and the direct and underlying causes of the observed changes; and (b) specifically monitor progress towards the goals and targets of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework in support of a balanced and enhanced implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity. The assessment will also contribute to the monitoring of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its Sustainable Development Goals and other relevant multilateral environmental agreements, processes and efforts.

In accordance with decision IPBES-10/1 and the procedures for the preparation of IPBES deliverables, the Multidisciplinary Expert Panel herewith invites Governments and other relevant stakeholders **to nominate experts to participate in the monitoring assessment.**

The assessment will be conducted in line with the procedures for IPBES deliverables set out in decision IPBES-3/3, annex I (available [here](#)) and based on the scoping report for the assessment (available [here](#)).

IPBES is seeking experts and practitioners from academia, government, and civil society with expertise in:

- A range of disciplines, including but not limited to, ecology, evolution, social science, economics, statistics and biodiversity modelling;
- Monitoring biodiversity and nature's contributions to people in terrestrial, freshwater, and marine ecosystems;
- The use of in-situ and remote sensing measurements, community-based monitoring and citizen science;
- Diverse and new technologies for estimating and monitoring biodiversity, such as environmental DNA, ecological acoustics, camera-traps, hyperspectral imagery and artificial intelligence;
- National and subnational monitoring programmes and systems (including those led by Indigenous Peoples and local communities), global observing systems, and citizen science initiatives;

- Indicators and the use of indicators in policy and decision-making;
- Institutional and financial requirements to strengthen monitoring systems.

Governments and relevant stakeholders are invited to ensure gender balance in their nominations.

All nominated experts (Nominees) need to be available to attend the relevant author meetings, with the first author meeting tentatively scheduled for October 2024.

All Governments and relevant organizations or institutions are encouraged to submit nominations. Nominating organizations or institutions are not required to have been admitted to the Plenary of IPBES as an observer. Please help us to disseminate this call for nominations of experts widely.

Please follow the below procedure for nomination:

- Nominees are invited to complete the application form and attach their curriculum vitae through the dedicated web portal at <https://www.ipbes.net/application/monitoring-assessment-experts> (to access this page you will need to login with your IPBES website log in credentials. Nominees not yet registered on the IPBES website will need to do so at <https://ipbes.net/user/register>). Please note that the nomination form is in English only and applications should be submitted in English, as the assessment process will be conducted in English;
- The nominating government or organization (Nominator) indicated by the Nominee will receive an email with a link to the nomination form and will be invited to approve and submit the nominations in the web portal;
- Nominators and Nominees will receive confirmation via email once the nomination has been submitted.

Experts wishing to be nominated by a Government are encouraged to contact their IPBES National Focal Point (<https://www.ipbes.net/national-focal-points>) regarding any country specific processes or deadlines and are requested to fill out their application form by **19 December 2023**. Interested experts are highly encouraged to review the information document summarizing IPBES assessment conditions and roles prior to submitting their application ([link](#)).

Experts that are selected for a role within an IPBES assessment accept the relevant conditions for the assessment, including that the time contributed to IPBES is committed on a pro-bono basis. Experts from developing countries will receive support to attend author meetings and possibly other relevant meetings. Experts from developed countries are to secure their own funding to participate in the meetings.

Nominators (Governments or organizations) should submit the nominations of all Nominees, which they would like to support, before **6 January 2024**. Early nominations ahead of this deadline are encouraged.

I thank you in advance for your nominations and your continued support to IPBES.

Yours sincerely,



Dr Anne Larigauderie | Executive Secretary
Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES)



6 October 2023

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Call for nominations for fellows for the methodological assessment on monitoring biodiversity and nature's contributions to people assessment

Dear IPBES members, observers and other interested stakeholders,

The IPBES Plenary, in decision IPBES/10/1, approved the undertaking of the methodological assessment on monitoring biodiversity and nature's contributions to people ("monitoring assessment").

The objective of the monitoring assessment is to support national and global efforts to (a) monitor biodiversity, nature's contributions to people and the direct and underlying causes of the observed changes; and (b) specifically monitor progress towards the goals and targets of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework in support of a balanced and enhanced implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity. The assessment will also contribute to the monitoring of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its Sustainable Development Goals and other relevant multilateral environmental agreements, processes and efforts.

Further to the call for nominations of experts for the monitoring assessment ([EM/2023/36](#)), Governments and other relevant stakeholders are herewith invited **to nominate candidates to participate in the IPBES fellowship programme for the monitoring assessment.**

The IPBES fellowship programme, which is part of a larger capacity-building portfolio of activities, targets early-career individuals who wish to gain experience by participating in the work of IPBES. Selected fellows will participate in the preparation of the chapter of the assessment for which they are selected, and their contribution acknowledged as part of the citation for that chapter. Fellows will attend author meetings and receive training to gain an in-depth understanding of the IPBES assessment processes and the science-policy interface. Fellows will also be paired up with a mentor for the assessment period.

The assessment will be conducted in line with the procedures for IPBES deliverables set out in decision IPBES-3/3, annex I (available [here](#)) and based on the scoping report for the assessment (available [here](#)).

IPBES is seeking fellows from academia, government, and civil society with expertise in:

- A range of disciplines, including but not limited to, ecology, evolution, social science, economics, statistics and biodiversity modelling;
- Monitoring biodiversity and nature's contributions to people in terrestrial, freshwater, and marine ecosystems;

- The use of in-situ and remote sensing measurements, community-based monitoring and citizen science;
- Diverse and new technologies for estimating and monitoring biodiversity, such as environmental DNA, ecological acoustics, camera-traps, hyperspectral imagery and artificial intelligence;
- National and subnational monitoring programmes and systems (including those led by Indigenous Peoples and local communities), global observing systems, and citizen science initiatives;
- Indicators and the use of indicators in policy and decision-making;
- Institutional and financial requirements to strengthen monitoring systems.

Governments and relevant stakeholders are invited to ensure gender balance in their nominations.

All nominated candidates (Nominees) need to be available to attend the relevant author meetings, training workshops and induction day for fellows, with the induction day and first author meeting tentatively scheduled for October 2024.

All Governments and relevant organizations or institutions are encouraged to submit nominations. Nominating organizations or institutions are not required to have been admitted to the Plenary of IPBES as an observer. Please help us to disseminate this call for nominations of fellows widely.

Please follow the below procedure for nomination:

- Nominees are invited to complete the application form and attach their curriculum vitae through the dedicated web portal at <https://www.ipbes.net/application/fellows-for-the-monitoring-assessment> (to access this page you will need to login with your IPBES website log in credentials. Nominees not yet registered on the IPBES website will need to do so at <https://ipbes.net/user/register>). Please note that the nomination form is in English only and applications should be submitted in English, as the assessment process will be conducted in English;
- The nominating government or organization (Nominator) indicated by the Nominee will receive an email with a link to the nomination form and will be invited to approve and submit the nominations in the web portal;
- Nominators and Nominees will receive confirmation via email once the nomination has been submitted.

Interested early-career individuals wishing to be nominated by a Government are encouraged to contact their IPBES National Focal Point (<https://www.ipbes.net/national-focal-points>) regarding any country specific processes or deadlines and are requested to fill out their application form by **19 December 2023**.

Nominators (Governments or organizations) should submit the nominations of all Nominees, which they would like to support, before **6 January 2024**. Early nominations ahead of this deadline are encouraged. Fellows will be selected by the management committee of the monitoring assessment, which includes the co-chairs of the assessment and members of the IPBES Bureau and Multidisciplinary Expert Panel.

More information on the IPBES fellowship programme, including selection criteria and available support to selected fellows, can be found on the IPBES webpage: <https://ipbes.net/ipbes-fellowship-programme>.

I thank you in advance for your nominations and your continued support to IPBES.

Yours sincerely,



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6 October 2023

NOTIFICATION

Call for nominations of fellows for the IPBES task force on scenarios and models

EM/2023/39

Dear IPBES members, observers and other interested stakeholders,

Following the successful conclusion of IPBES 10 and in line with decision IPBES-10/1 on the IPBES Rolling Work Programme up to 2030, and further to the call for nominations of experts for IPBES task forces ([EM/2023/37](#)), I would like to invite Governments and other relevant stakeholders to nominate candidates to participate in the IPBES fellowship programme for the task force on scenarios and models. The fellowship will end at IPBES 13 (tentatively scheduled for 2026), and the fellows will be invited to join the IPBES fellows and alumni network.

The IPBES fellowship programme, which is part of a larger capacity-building portfolio of activities, targets early-career individuals who wish to gain experience by participating in the work of IPBES. Selected fellows will participate in work of the task force on scenarios and models. Fellows will attend task force meetings, receive training to gain an in-depth understanding of IPBES processes and the science-policy interface. Fellows will also be paired up with a mentor for the duration of the fellowship.

Nominated candidates should have expertise specific to the task force on scenarios and models, for example, in the disciplines of natural science, social science, the humanities, or Indigenous and local knowledge systems. Nominated candidates may be academics, policy experts and/or practitioners who come from qualified national, regional and international scientific organizations, centres of excellence and institutions. All nominees should have experience in working in interdisciplinary and/or global contexts. Governments and relevant stakeholders are invited to ensure gender balance in their nominations.

For the task force on scenarios and models, nominees should have expertise in qualitative and quantitative approaches to scenarios, models and other futures studies, including in discussing and testing the Nature Futures Framework, and should be able to effectively promote dialogue between the task force and the communities of practice on scenarios and models.

All nominated candidates need to be available to attend the relevant task force meetings and fellows training workshops; the first of these expected to be held in-person in April or May 2024, and an in-person fellows' training workshop in June 2024. Fellows may also be asked to participate in other IPBES meetings

as described in the workplan of the task force.

All Governments and relevant organizations or institutions are encouraged to submit nominations. Nominating organizations or institutions are not required to have been admitted to the IPBES Plenary as an observer. Please help us disseminate this call for nominations of experts widely to relevant institutions and organizations. **Please follow the below procedure for nomination:**

- Nominees are invited to fill out the application form and attach their curriculum vitae and any information regarding the organization they are representing, through the dedicated web portal at: <https://www.ipbes.net/application/scenarios-and-models-task-forces-fellows>. To access this page, you will need to log in with your IPBES web site login credentials. Nominees not yet registered on the IPBES web site will need to do so by clicking on the "Create new account".)
- The nominating Government or organization (Nominator) indicated by the Nominee will receive an email with a link to the nomination form and will be invited to approve and submit the nomination in the web portal.
- Nominators and Nominees will receive confirmation via email once the nomination has been submitted.

Interested early career individuals wishing to be nominated by a Government are encouraged to contact their IPBES National Focal Point (<https://www.ipbes.net/national-focal-points>) regarding any country-specific processes or deadlines and are requested to fill out their application form by no later than **19 December 2023**.

Nominators (Governments or organizations) should submit the nominations of all Nominees, which they would like to support, before **6 January 2024**. Early nominations ahead of this deadline are encouraged. Fellows will be selected by the management committee of the task force on scenarios and models, which includes the co-chairs of the task force as well as members of the IPBES Bureau and Multidisciplinary Expert Panel.

More information on the IPBES fellowship programme, including selection criteria and available support to selected fellows, can be found on the IPBES webpage at: <https://ipbes.net/ipbes-fellowship-programme>.

I thank you in advance for your nominations and your continued support to IPBES.

Yours sincerely,



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Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES)



5 October 2023

EM/2023/37

NOTIFICATION: Call for nominations of experts to IPBES Task Forces

Dear IPBES members, observers and other interested stakeholders,

Following the successful conclusion of IPBES 10 and in line with decision IPBES-10/1 on the IPBES Rolling Work Programme up to 2030, I would like to invite Governments and other relevant stakeholders to nominate candidates for the following task forces. The term of office of the task force experts will end at IPBES 13 (tentatively scheduled for 2026):

- a) A task force on capacity-building (see [here](#) for more information);
- b) A task force on data and knowledge management (see [here](#) for more information);
- c) A task force on Indigenous and local knowledge (see [here](#) for more information);
- d) A task force on scenarios and models (see [here](#) for more information).

Nomination of experts

Nominated experts should have expertise specific to the task force to which they are being nominated – for example in the disciplines of natural science, social science, the humanities, or Indigenous and local knowledge systems. Nominated experts may be academics, policy experts and/or practitioners who come from qualified national, regional and international scientific organizations, centres of excellence and institutions. All nominees should have experience in working in interdisciplinary and/or global contexts. Governments and relevant stakeholders are invited to ensure gender balance in their nominations.

For the **task force on capacity-building**, nominees can include (a) representatives of qualified national, regional and international scientific and development organizations, centres of excellence and institutions, including experts on Indigenous and local knowledge, that are known for their work and expertise on issues related to the mandate of the task force and are existing or prospective partners or collaborative supporters in the capacity-building activities of IPBES; and (b) recognized individual experts, including Indigenous and local knowledge experts, in one or more of the following areas within the science-policy sphere for biodiversity and ecosystem services: stakeholder engagement, knowledge exchange, coordinating training and development activities, facilitating workshops, and catalysing financial and in-kind support.

For the **task force on data and knowledge management**, nominees can include (a) recognized individual experts on matters related to the mandate of the task force, including data experts from the natural sciences, social sciences and humanities and experts in qualitative and quantitative data analysis, as well as Indigenous and local knowledge experts; and (b) representatives of qualified national, regional and international scientific organizations, centres of excellence and institutions, including experts on Indigenous and local knowledge, known for their work and expertise on issues related to the mandate of the task force.

For the **task force on Indigenous and local knowledge** nominees can include (a) experts on Indigenous and local knowledge, in particular representing Indigenous Peoples and local communities; (b) representatives of qualified national, regional and international scientific organizations, centres of excellence and institutions, including experts on Indigenous and local knowledge, known for their work and expertise on issues related to the mandate of the task force; and (c) recognized individual experts on matters related to the mandate of the task force.

For the **task force on scenarios and models**, nominees should have expertise in qualitative and quantitative approaches to scenarios, models and other futures studies, including in discussing and testing the Nature Futures Framework, and should be able to effectively promote dialogue between the task force and the communities of practice on scenarios and models.

All nominated experts (Nominees) need to be available to attend the relevant task force meetings, the first of these expected to be held in-person in April or May 2024, and the following ones, online; and may be asked to participate in other IPBES meetings as described in the workplan of the respective task force.

All Governments and relevant organizations or institutions are encouraged to submit nominations. Nominating organizations or institutions are not required to have been admitted to the IPBES Plenary as an observer. Please help us to disseminate this call for nominations of experts widely to relevant institutions and organizations.

Please follow the below procedure for nomination:

- Nominees are invited to fill out the application form and attach their curriculum vitae and any information regarding the organization they are representing, through the dedicated web portal at:
 - For capacity-building: <https://www.ipbes.net/application-form-task-forces/capacity-building>
 - For data and knowledge management: <https://www.ipbes.net/application-form-task-forces/knowledge-and-data>
 - For Indigenous and local knowledge: <https://www.ipbes.net/application-form-task-forces/ILK>
 - For scenarios and models: <https://www.ipbes.net/application-form-task-forces/experts/scenarios-and-models>(To access these pages, you will need to log in with your IPBES web site login credentials. Nominees not yet registered on the IPBES web site will need to do so by clicking on the "Create new account".)
- The nominating Government or organization (Nominator) indicated by the Nominee will receive an email with a link to the nomination form and will be invited to approve and submit the nomination in the web portal.
- Nominators and Nominees will receive confirmation via email once the nomination has been submitted.

Experts interested in being nominated (Nominees) are encouraged to contact their IPBES National Focal Point

(<https://www.ipbes.net/national-focal-points>) regarding any country-specific processes or deadlines and are requested to fill out their application form by no later than **12 November 2023**.

Experts that are selected for a role within an IPBES task force accept the relevant conditions, including that time contributed to IPBES is committed on a pro-bono basis. Experts from developing countries will receive financial support to attend task force meetings and possibly other relevant meetings. Experts from developed countries are to secure their own funding to participate in the meetings.

Nominators (Governments or organizations) should submit the nominations of all Nominees, which they would like to support, before **19 November 2023**. Early nominations ahead of this deadline are encouraged.

I thank you in advance for your nominations and your continued support to IPBES.

Yours sincerely,



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