



## A Word from the BES-Net Team

We are pleased to share that the BES-Net global capacity-sharing network presently counts [84 organizations](#) playing a key role in the field of biodiversity and ecosystem services as well as [86 international experts](#).

Following a soft launch among UNDP and the BES-Net partners, we are inviting all our partners to share information about BES-Net among their networks and constituencies and to register on the BES-Net web-portal, to become an active member of the BES-Net community.

The BES-Net team would like to sincerely thank all its partners and donors, including the German Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety (BMUB), the Norwegian Environment Agency and SwedBio at the Stockholm Resilience Centre for supporting the BES-Net initiative.

We are looking forward to the next exciting steps in the project and to supporting you,

The BES-Net Team



## About BES-Net

BES-Net is a capacity building “network of networks” that promotes dialogue among science, policy and practice for more effective management of biodiversity and ecosystems, contributing to long-term human well being and sustainable development. Find out more [here](#).

## Did you know?

An article by Lindsey Stringer and Mark S. Reed sheds some light on greater integration of scientific expertise with local knowledge for enhanced land degradation assessments. Find out more about this article [here](#).

## In Focus

- Click [here](#) to view upcoming events in Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services.
- Click [here](#) for Jobs and internships in the field of Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services.

## BES-Net Partners

The Network now counts [84 organizations](#) that play a key role in the field of biodiversity and ecosystem services. Contact us at [info@besnet.world](mailto:info@besnet.world) should you want to join.

## Science - Policy - Practice Discussions

The BES-Net web portal provides a “one-stop shop” for policy relevant information and learning material, guiding users through the existing sources of thematic information and methodological tools and providing access to learning material and policy briefs. The web-portal has been designed to facilitate fruitful online dialogues between the three BES-Net communities of science/knowledge holders, policymakers and biodiversity and ecosystem service practitioners.

Full thematic modules on *land degradation and restoration, pollinators, pollination and food production, ecosystem-based adaptation*, as well as *biodiversity finance* are currently available.

We invite our partners and users to use these online networking and collaborating tools and to actively engage in the discussions through the interactive features of the web-portal, which allow you to:

- Share your knowledge and get visibility by suggesting new content (organisation, library entry, expert);
- Ask/poll our BES-Net experts to get their views on your specific policy questions;
- Share your experience and views with the BES-Net network through our online forum;
- Highlight a knowledge gap and ask for the development of a policy brief to answer your specific questions;
- Find other users, create your own group to collaborate online; and
- Chat with other users privately.

Happy browsing!

## Highlights from BES-Net Partners

### UNDP's Biodiversity Finance (BIOFIN)



The [Biodiversity Finance module](#) was launched in September in collaboration with UNDP's [Biodiversity Finance Initiative](#) (BIOFIN). This new module provides online learning and networking opportunities on issues on the interface between science, policy and practice related to biodiversity finance.

### GBIF Newsroom: New call for data mobilization and capacity projects in Asia



GBIF invites the submission of proposals under the second phase of the [Biodiversity Information Fund for Asia \(BIFA\) programme](#), funded by Japan's [Ministry of Environment](#). Find out more about the submission of proposals [here](#).

### Global Survey on the Governance of Ecosystem Services



Search project of Future Earth, [ecoSERVICES](#) is committed to co-designing a research agenda aimed at deepening our understanding of the governance of ecosystem services and has just launched a global online survey on the governance of ecosystem services around the world. Find out more about the survey on ecosystem services governance and participate [here](#).

Let us know if you would like your news to be featured in the next version of the newsletter: [info@besnet.world](mailto:info@besnet.world).

## Positions and Opportunities

### BES-Net Trialogues Facilitator

BES-Net is looking for an experienced facilitator to support its face-to-face capacity building activities: the BES-Net Trialogues. Click [here](#) for more information.

### Other Job Opportunities

The BES-Net web-portal provides access to a [list of jobs and internships](#) available in the field of biodiversity and ecosystem services.

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